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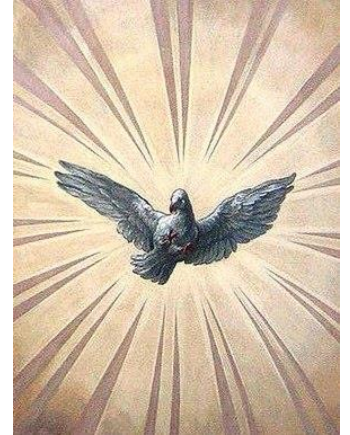
FEAST OF PENTECOST– 27th /28th MAY 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Reflection for Pentecost Sunday

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Today we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles on the fiftieth day of Easter. Although this Pentecost encounter was not the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit, as the Gospel can testify, they had a spectacular mysterious encounter. On the day of the resurrection, when the Lord Jesus came to them, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit..." When the disciples received the Spirit on Pentecost Day, they were fully empowered to go out and proclaim the Risen Jesus without any fear. That is precisely what the Spirit does for us: granting us the power to overcome any fear and be free to worship God. Fear is not from God; the devil puts fear into us so we can doubt and disbelieve God's power and presence. The power of the Holy Spirit frees us from fear. The only fear we ought to have been the fear of God: to fear dying in mortal sin and not in the state of grace.



In addition, the Spirit gave the power of understanding as in the language. The disciples spoke in tongues, meaningful to all the people who heard them. Language is so powerful, and it creates unity. Christ's faithful worldwide speak a common language through the liturgy (Mass). The Church represents heaven on earth – symbolizes unity – people from every nation, race, language, etc. (Rev. 7:9). The Spirit binds us together in peace as Christ offered the disciples who were overcome with fear. The Spirit helps us to accommodate one another through a common language of love. In Baptism, which is the gateway to all sacraments and makes us members of the Church, we receive the Holy Spirit, as in Confirmation. Today's celebration reminds us of that and the need to live our baptismal promises under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

I bring you greetings from Iowa, where I have been performing my priestly ministry since December 2018. I have three rural parishes, the farthest being 42 miles away from where I live. Although the population of Iowa is about 3 million, there are four dioceses: Archdiocese of Dubuque, Diocese of Davenport, Diocese of Sioux City, and Diocese of Des Moines – where I am affiliated. There are 14 priests from Ghana serving in the Diocese of Des Moines, among priests of other nationalities.

Have a blessed week.
Fr Samuel

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH ACTIVITY –TEAS /COFFEE MORNING TEAS/COFFEE

In the Parish Hall on Sundays, after 9am and 11am Masses.

Tea & Coffee after Sunday Masses:

We need more volunteers to help out in this Parish activity which people have found most helpful. Please contact the Parish Office
westgreen@rcdow.org.uk

We also welcome parishioners and newcomers on Thursday after the 9.15am Mass

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2023

For any enquiries, please contact Sr. Anabel or the Parish Office.

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

CONGRATULATIONS to our 15 young parishioners, who receive
The Sacrament of Confirmation, and their families,
from Bishop John Sherrington last Sunday 21st May.
Please keep them and their families in your prayers!!



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

A programme for adults who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Baptism.
Application Form at the back of the Church

BAPTISM FOR INFANTS

Application Forms at the back of the Church.
Please contact the Parish Office or Sr. Anabel.

SPECIAL EVENTS: FR. JOE'S 52ND JUBILEE OF ORDINATION and GRATITUDE

[1] Please keep in mind Sunday 11th June, as we gather to celebrate Fr. Joe's 52nd Jubilee of Ordination.

This event is Fr Joe's way of saying 'Thank you to God and to you parishioners' for the gift of priesthood.

We begin with **Mass at 11am** followed by celebration in the Parish Centre.

All Parishioners are invited.

Fr Joe has asked to indicate your attendance by signing the list at the back of the church,
(so that he can prepare the sandwiches accordingly).

[2] DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Sunday 2nd July, Fr Joe's Farewell and Thanksgiving Mass. *Details to follow.*

Live Simply Group invites you to "Laudato SI Revisited – 7 years" event
on Tuesday 30th of May and 6th of June.

The event will be held in-person and with the option of online on zoom. Register
at the back of the Church, please.

PARISH FUNDRAISING SPONSORED WALK & PICNIC

We would like to thank all those who participated in the sponsored walk last Sunday, and all who sponsored the walkers, which helped to raise the sum of **£877.00**. Thanks to all who supplied the food and refreshments for our delightful picnic. And those who helped with the transportation.



LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

Meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month after 9.15am Mass, at Verbum Dei Spirituality Centre. All welcome!
Next session **6th June, 2023**

WALKING THE CAMINO FOR HORNSEY FOOD BANK Anne Lamont has completed her 100km walk of the Camino de Santiago to support the work of Hornsey Food Bank. If you wish to sponsor her, please donate through this link:
<https://localgiving.org/fundraising/walking-the-camino-for-hornsey-food-bank/>

FREE DANCE CLASSES

Sunday 28th after the 09:00am Mass, and the following Sundays after the 11:00am Mass (except the 11th June) in the Parish Hall.
If you are interested, just come along.

INVITATION TO OUR MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL

At the Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm
Monday 19th June 2023
For further information contact
johanmaertens@hotmail.com or
barbarakentish@talktalk.net

THANK GOD ON FRIDAY

Eucharist Adoration led by Verbum Dei Missionaries
Friday 2nd June, 7.30 – 9pm

DAY RETREAT

Led by Verbum Dei Missionaries
Saturday 4th June, 10am to 3pm
At Verbum Dei Spirituality Centre
For more info,
please contact Sr Anabel or Sr Ann Marie

HARINGEY DEANERY WALK

Come and Join "The Great Haringey Deanery Bank Holiday Walk" on Monday 29th May 2023

9.15am Depart St Francis De Sales – Tottenham
10.30am Depart St Pauls – Wood Green
12.00pm Mass at Our Lady of Muswell followed by packed lunches in the parish Hall
1.45pm Depart Our Lady of Muswell – Muswell Hill
3.30pm Depart St Peter in Chains – Stroud Green
4.45pm Depart St John Vianney - West Green
5.30pm Arrive at St Ignatius – Stamford Hill, for evening prayer
If you are interested in joining us for all or part of the day. Please sign your name to the list at the back of the church.
You may collect sponsorships for particular charities.

PAX CHRISTI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

takes place on Saturday 17th June 2023, 10:30 for 11am start to 4:30pm at Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, London WC2H 8EP and online via zoom. PAX Christi Peace Awards and celebrating the work and commitment of peacemakers in the UK. The peace medal was created by Natasha Ratcliffe and is called the P.E.A.C.E (Please Engage All Communities on Earth) Medal.

THE SUMMIT

Haringey Deanery will be hosting an event on Friday 30th June gathering from 6.30pm to begin at 7pm and finishing at 9pm for young Catholics (14-18 years old) here in our area. Come to St Paul's, Bradley Road, N22 7SZ, It's a chance to socialise, to meet other young people, share a meal together, learn more about our catholic faith and be introduced to a deeper level of prayer and adoration.

PLEASE PRAY FOR
the Repose of the soul of

MICHAEL 'MICK' HIGGINS,
who died on Saturday 15th May.
His Funeral Service will take place on
Wednesday 14th June 2023 at 11:45am,
at Islington Crematorium.
We remember his family and friends in our
prayers.
May his soul rest in peace.

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday at 9.15am

Saturday 6pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

ROSARY

Weekdays at 8.45am (before Mass)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays after Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5-5:30pm

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR
The repose of the soul:

Michael 'Mick' Higgins
Mary Campbell
Mary Josephine Sullivan

RIP Anniversary

Mary Philomena Kehoe
Mary Kate (Kathleen) Buckley
Ilda Noronha
Giuseppe Bacchetta
Cornelius Kelleher
Rosaria Luciano
John Mooney
Mary Teresa O'Donovan
John Martin Morley
Veronica Nagle
Lorenzo Cocchi
Sylvester Mitchell
Ave Maria Alice Ubaka

Special Intentions:

Antonio Cruz
Brian Waters

And for the sick and those in our parish

Angela	Ann
Eduardo	Emmanuel
Helen	Ivy A
Joan	John D
Kathy F	Kim
Laura	Lenora
Merle	Michael J
Monica	Pantaleone
Patricia	Phil
Pierina	Rose
Sheila	Veronica
Yollie	Yvonne

***NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE
ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS***

**NEXT SUNDAY: FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY
TRINITY**

1st Reading: Exodus 34:4-6.8-9
Psalm: Daniel 3:52-56
2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel: John 3:16-18

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Joe Ryan, Parish Priest
Sr. Anabel Gonzalez, Parish Sister
Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Adm/Secretary
In Residence: Fr Samuel Danso

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm

To make an appointment

**Phone: 0208 888 5518 or email
westgreen@rcdow.org.uk**

*We cannot guarantee to have anyone available
outside of these hours.*