

# SACRED HEART OF JESUS & ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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**25/26 May 2019**

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Mass Book: Year C, Volume 1, page 273*

**Entrance Antiphon:** Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

**Psalm Response:** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

**The Regina Caeli:** Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia, for he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia, has risen as he said, alleluia; pray for us to God, alleluia, rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia, for the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

**Communion Antiphon:** If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

**Prayer for May:** O Blessed Virgin, pray to God for us always, that He may pardon us and give us grace. Pray to God for us always, that He may grant us peace in this life. Pray to God for us always, that He may reward us with paradise at our death. Amen.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

John O'Neill, Maria Carmen Martin, George O'Shaunessy,  
Thomas Andrew (TJ), Pat Moffatt, Geoffrey Tompkins,  
Anne Littlefield, Damien Haughan, Betty Groves, Carole Higton,  
Matthew, Marion Greeham, Charlotte West, Elizabeth Evelyn,  
Teresa Richardson, Ron Littlefield, Paul Evelyn, Agnes Smith,  
Mary Ling, Margaret Bush, Madeleine Day, Boris Mayfield,  
Stephen Condon & Nicola O'Neill.

For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and Rowans Hospice.

**'THANK YOU' Meal for all our Parish Volunteers**

Saturday 8 June

7pm for 7.30pm

Selection of freshly cooked Filipino dishes & Quiz! Can you please contact me, John McCormack, by email:

[johnmcc-2010@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:johnmcc-2010@hotmail.co.uk)



Fr. Jeremy writes...



In Italian the word for 'lift' or 'elevator' is 'ascensore', rather like the name of the great feast we celebrate next Thursday. When I was a student, Luigi, one of the porters at the seminary, used to put a vase of flowers in the lift every Ascension Day to honour its feast. His little joke.

When Jesus went up it wasn't in a lift but on a cloud, according to the first reading on Ascension Day, and with the promise to his disciples that, in a few days, he would send the Holy Spirit upon them so that they "will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth". The gospel of the day tells us that the disciples then went back to Jerusalem filled with joy.

As Jesus promised, some days later, the Holy Spirit did come upon the disciples in the Upper Room as wind and flame and filled them with the power to fulfil Jesus' command to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth. The Acts of the Apostles takes up the story and tells how, first of all, they found the courage to burst out of that room where they had been hiding and cowering 'for fear of the Jews' for nearly six weeks since Jesus' resurrection, and go out into the streets of Jerusalem where there were people of many tribes and nations and languages who had come up to the big city to celebrate harvest festival. The apostles, as they were now called, were fired up with the Holy Spirit and bursting to tell the story of Jesus and how he had died and truly risen and how he had come to share his new life with all who would believe in him, and this new life was the very life of God.

Somehow the Apostles found they could communicate with people of many different languages and so powerful was their testimony that over three thousand people were converted to Jesus on that day alone. Thereafter, Acts tells the story of how Paul was converted to become the greatest preacher of Jesus; how Philip was whisked from place to place at the whim of the Holy Spirit to bring people to faith in Jesus and how the Christian faith spread like wildfire in the face of intense opposition.

Pope Francis is trying to reset our priorities as a Church so that we can become new apostles fired with the Holy Spirit to be powerful witnesses to Jesus and our faith so that many more people will come to Jesus through his Church and share the life he offers for the salvation of the world. Over coming weeks we will hear more about this and how we have a part to play in it.



Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
2019  
from 11am

**THE GRAND DRAW.** There is still a chance to secure 'Numbers' for the Grand Draw. Check out the board in the narthex. £1.00 per number.

**BOTTLES** are required for the Tombola: red/white/rosé wine, bottles of fizz and spirits. Bottles of Pimms for the 'Pimms Bar' especially welcome! These can all be left with Nina in the office!

**CAKES!** All shapes and sizes, home baked or store bought needed please! Please drop them off with Nina on either Friday 31 May or the morning of the Fair.

**NEW GIFT STALL** Please leave any items with Nina, clearly marked 'Summer Fair'.

**VOLUNTEERS** are still needed to help on the big day – Check out the board in the narthex to see which stalls and other duties are required to make this the best SUMMER FAIR ever!

### DEACON REV. JOHN PROMISE UMEOZURU

As you know, Johnpromise is due to be ordained on Saturday 20 July and to celebrate his First Mass here at 10.30am on Sunday 21 July. Some people have asked if we can make a presentation to him as a parish and, to this end, we are providing envelopes marked 'Special Collection' for anyone who wishes to contribute. If you would like to, please take an envelope home and bring it back next week and just put it in the collection as it comes round. Johnpromise does not know we are doing this, so 'mum's the word!' If you would like to attend Johnpromise's First Mass (for catering purposes), please confirm your attendance on the Sign-up Sheet located on the round table in the narthex.

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 25 May	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Edwin Groves RIP
SUNDAY 26 May	10.30am 6.30pm	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Gilbert Powell RIP People of the Parish
Monday 27 May	12noon	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop, feast	Tom Gould RIP
Tuesday 28 May	10am	Feria of the 6 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	Bill Bowden RIP
Wednesday 29 May	7pm	Vigil: The Ascension of the Lord, solemnity	Pearse McAvoyn RIP
Thursday 30 May	7.30am 12noon -	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, solemnity <b>NO EVENING MASS</b>	Holy Souls Fr. Frank Reynolds RIP (FM)
Friday 31 May	9.30-9.50am 10am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, feast	Holy Souls
Saturday 1 June	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	David Arnold RIP

## Notices & Information...

**BAPTISM INTO THE LIFE OF JESUS AND THE CHURCH.** We welcome into the family of the Church, Charlotte Eyre, who will be baptised on Sunday @ 12noon.

**VERBUM DEI.** This Saturday evening we will listen to Bishop Philip reading out his Pastoral Letter. For the Sunday Masses there will be hard copies of the Bishop's letter to take away and read for yourselves.

**PRAYER VIGIL FOR NICOLA O'NEILL.** Nicola, a student at Oaklands and currently residing at an eating disorder unit in Brighton, needs all our prayers at the moment as she struggles with Anorexia. Her parents, Marta and Nick along with Canon Gerard will be holding a Prayer Vigil with Adoration on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May @ 7pm at St. Michael and All Angels in Leigh Park. Come along and pray for Nicola and indeed all those who are battling sadness, hopelessness and fear.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING.** Please see the notice board for future Child Protection Awareness, Vulnerable Adult Awareness and Refresher Training.

**CHILDREN'S TOY BAGS.** Toy Bags are appreciated by children across all our Masses and we'd like to gently remind parents of children enjoying quiet play with the bags, to ensure all the toys are returned to the bags and put back in the corner of the church after each Mass. Thank you.

**ROSARIES.** Since January 2009, on behalf of the Catenian Association, many thousands of Rosaries have been sent to the indigenous in Australia and to Missions in Africa. Since September 2015, thousands have been sent to prisons in the UK. More Rosaries are needed please. Parishioners are requested to search cupboards and drawers and to leave any unwanted rosaries in the Narthex where they will be collected and distributed. Thank you. *David Lodrick.*

**NEWS FROM ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL.** Pupils from Years 3 and 4 celebrated Mass at Sacred Heart this week. The Theme of the Mass was Jesus is Alive! In the homily, Fr Jeremy questioned the children on the key aspects of the Easter story, including how Thomas refused to believe until he saw Jesus with his own eyes. The children were extremely knowledgeable and could name many important people, as well as events such as the breakfast on the shore, from the Resurrection stories. In the Gospel, we heard Jesus commanding His disciples, to 'love one another.' Fr Jeremy then taught us that when we show love to others, we are showing to the world that we are followers of Christ. *Richard Cunningham, Headteacher.*

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP MEETING.** Monday 3 June In Church @ 2pm. All are invited to a hour's quiet prayer and meditation led by a member of the Group. Further information from Margaret Day 023 9263 2533 or Tom Wilkinson 023 9259 4268.

**TEA @ THREE.** Tea and cakes at Horseshoe Cottage, Furzeley Corner. PO 76TS. Thursday 13 June. No tickets needed, please come whatever the weather. For more information call Trish on 07947 611699.

**AFTERNOON ALPHA COURSE.** St. Michael and All Angels Church, Leigh Park is running an Alpha Course @ 1pm on 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June and 3<sup>rd</sup> July. The meetings will begin with a light lunch and followed by prayer, a DVD presentation on faith and then a discussion. The meetings will end in time for parents to collect their children from school. Anyone interested should email Canon Gerard on [gerardflynn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:gerardflynn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**CAFOD – The time is Now!** "The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth" Pope Francis. In his encyclical Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action. Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on **Wednesday 26 June** for the Time is Now Lobby of Parliament. For more information and to sign up go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>

**THE TUESDAY CLUB** is open to everyone on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at 2pm in the parish centre. You can expect a warm welcome plus fun, friendship, card games, scrabble etc. along with a cup of tea or coffee & cake. For more information please contact Trish on 07947 611699.

**A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM FR. TOM MCGRATH:** "You are invited to join me in celebrating my Golden Jubilee at Mass in St. Peter's, Winchester on Saturday 15 June @ 6pm." Please RSVP to [Mqr.mcgrathemail@gmail.com](mailto:Mqr.mcgrathemail@gmail.com)

**MOTHERS' PRAYERS.** Wednesday 29 May @ 2pm in the church.

**WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER 7-13 JULY 2019.** The purpose of Spiritual Direction during a week of accompanied prayer is to help the pilgrim to discern where God is working in his or her life. By making a retreat available to all who do not have the resources of time or money to leave home, these weeks make this opportunity available to all. During the week each participant receives one on one Spiritual direction, for many this is their first experience of being listened to in a holy, safe and confidential space. A sign-up sheet is available to express your interest in attending. More information to follow.

**FANNING THE FLAME CATHOLIC MISSION: SUMMER CAMP 19-23 AUGUST 2019. An Amazing Adventure for ages 10-25.** 5 Days of Faith, Fun and Fellowship. Pitch camp in the beautiful New Forest and enjoy a wide range of activities such as Mass, Teaching, Workshops, Sports, Horse riding, Talks, Dramas, Great Food, Q&A, Music, Adoration, Team Activities & Confession. For more information visit [www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk](http://www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk)

**LAST WEEKEND'S GIVING.** *Offeratory:* Loose cash: £492.83, Standing Orders: 1029.68, Direct Debits: £34.60, Gift Aid: £197.06. Total: £1,754.17.

## Confirmation 2020

A course of preparation for Confirmation based on the Youth Alpha programme and for all parishes of the pastoral area will begin in October for anyone wishing to celebrate the Sacrament next year.

Applications are invited from anyone 13 years or older (or, in the school system, anyone entering Year 9 or above this coming September). Applicants should apply personally by hand-written letter to Fr Jeremy before 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019, explaining why Confirmation is important to them. Sessions will begin on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm to 9pm in the parish centre and will continue weekly every Friday evening at least until Easter, school holidays excepted. There is no date set yet for Confirmation but we will let you know when the Bishop decides. Further information will follow.

