



# Parish of St John Vianney

## ***PENTECOST***

## ***SUNDAY***

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**31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2020**

***Jesus said:***

***“When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness.”***

John 15

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK** ~ Parishioners, Jones Family, Graham Logie, Catherine Food, Eileen McAteer, Joan Cosgrove, Jim Dunn, Jimmy Sabatini, John Benson, Mary Dirzke, Halina Int. (Masses will be celebrated by Fr Jim, Fr Ambrose & Fr Paul)

**FOR THE SICK, THEIR FAMILIES AND CARERS, WE PRAY ~**

Almighty ever-living God, only support of our human weakness, look with compassion upon the sorrowful condition of your children who suffer because of this pandemic; relieve the pain of the sick, give strength to those who care for them, welcome into your peace those who have died and, throughout this time of tribulation, grant that we may all find comfort in your merciful love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** ~ Lawrence Carlon, Mary Deighton, John Benson, Patrick Lowes, Deacon Brian McCarthy, Karen Boulder, Joan Cosgrove, Mary Dirckze, Jimmy Sabatini, Jim Dunn, Joan Stretch.

**GARDEN MASSES** ~ *Again, thanks to all who have invited me into their gardens this past week. We have had some lovely celebrations, strictly adhering to social distancing. If you would like to have a garden Mass please speak to me. Remember, this would have to take place outdoors and we would need to be able to maintain our social distance. I am also available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation – again, outdoors! Fr Paul.*

**LITURGICAL YEAR** ~ What happened to the fifty days of Easter? The celebration of Pentecost concludes our Easter festivities and we find ourselves back in 'Ordinary Time' (Sunday Cycle A / Weekday Cycle 2. Week 9). However, do not despair, over the coming weeks, we have some joyful & colourful feasts to keep our spirits high. Next Sunday we celebrate 'The Most Holy Trinity' & the following Sunday is the feast of 'The Body & Blood of Christ'. We have the feasts of 'The Sacred Heart of Jesus' (19<sup>th</sup> June), 'The Birth of John the Baptist' (24<sup>th</sup> June), 'Saints Peter & Paul' (28<sup>th</sup> June) & 'The Assumption of Our Lady' (16<sup>th</sup> August). We will remain in 'Ordinary Time' until the season of Advent (29<sup>th</sup> November) Enjoy!

**PREPARING TO EMERGE FROM LOCKDOWN** ~ As we await an announcement regarding the reopening of churches for private prayer, we have been asked by the Bishop's Conference to seek volunteers who would be trained in public health requirements to serve as stewards once our doors are flung open. It is important that anyone volunteering shouldn't be in the risk categories i.e. elderly or with underlying health conditions. Please contact the Parish Office.

**ON LINE GATHERING** ~ All are welcome to join us for online coffee, chat and informal prayer this Sunday at 10:45am. Just click the link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508097977?pwd=emJVTk9HeXhITTloQnRQeFBsRnNXZz09>  
You can also just phone in on 0203 481 5240 with Meeting ID: 865 0809 7977, Password: 087316. Any questions or requests for technology help, please contact Cathy or Bridget at [facebookgroup@stjohnvianney.co.uk](mailto:facebookgroup@stjohnvianney.co.uk)

**CAFOD** ~ Working to help the Poor of our world: [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

**OUR PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS** ~ Are gradually re-emerging from Lockdown. Please keep all our staff and students in your prayers over the coming weeks.

**FINANCE** ~ Thanks to all who are contributing to the Parish in so many different ways. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

### **The Gift of the Holy Spirit**

*The eyes of the Christian see deep into eternity. To the man who gives himself up to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, there seems to be no world; to the world there seems to be no God... We must therefore find out by whom we are led. If it is not by the Holy Spirit, we labour in vain; there is no substance nor savour in anything we do. If it is by the Holy Spirit, we taste a delicious sweetness;... it is enough to make us die of pleasure!*

*Those who are led by the Holy Spirit experience all sorts of happiness in themselves... A soul in which the Holy Spirit dwells is never weary in the presence of God; his heart gives forth a breath of love...*

*When we have the Holy Spirit, the heart expands - bathes itself in divine love... When good thoughts come into our minds, it is the Holy Spirit who is visiting us... the Good God, in sending us the Holy Spirit, has treated us like a great king who should send his minister to guide one of his subjects, saying, "You will accompany this man everywhere, and you will bring him back to me safe and sound." ...*

*The Holy Spirit is like a gardener cultivating our souls... He brings out good desires in a pure soul, as the dove hatches her young ones...*

*We should say every morning, "O God, send me your Spirit to teach me what I am and what you are."*

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***All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ send your Holy Spirit upon us to be our helper and guide. Give us the spirit of wisdom, and understanding, the spirit of right judgement and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill us with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence.***