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# Pentecost

First reading - Acts 2:1-11 - They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak

**Responsorial Psalm** - Psalm 103(104):1,24,29-31,34 - *Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.* 

Second reading - Galatians 5:16-25 - If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you

Gospel Acclamation - Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel - John 15:26-27,16:12-15 - The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth

## **Receive the Holy Spirit**

Today is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost marks the definitive end of the Easter season. Pentecost occupies a very important position in the life of the Church and liturgical calendar. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles who gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. It marks the beginning of the Church's missionary endeavour. The story of Pentecost is found in today's first reading.

John in the gospel also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Here we see Jesus fulfilling his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses to all nations.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost John reminds us about the integral connection between the gift of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions the disciples to go out and proclaim the Good News to the whole world. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon his disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins.

Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles reflects God's act of breathing life into Adam, in the book of Genesis. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for 'spirit' can also be translated as 'breath', "ruah" in Hebrew. In the gospel, Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit upon his disciples in order to restore their peace and to free them from the slavery of fear. Jesus knew that the Spirit empowers and liberates. So, the Spirit we have received, "is not the spirit of fear and timidity, but the Spirit of power, love and self-discipline. The Holy Spirit empowers us, makes us strong Christians, bold to go out to proclaim to the world that Jesus Christ is Lord.

#### God bless you all, Fr. Henry

Adoration available in the deanery **Chadwell Heath, St Bede** 9.30am - 10am (Fri) Clayhall, St John Vianney 8:30am - 10am (Tue - Sat) Goodmayes, St Cedds 9:30 am- 10am (Mon - Sat) Hainault, Our Lady of the Assumption 10:30am - 11:30am (Tue - Sat) Ilford, Ss Peter & Paul 10am 12.30pm (Wed) **Newbury Park, St Theresa** 10am - 11am (Thu), 5pm - 6pm (Sat) South Chingford 8:45am 9:30am (Tue - Sat) Wanstead, Our Lady of Lourdes) 7pm - 8pm (Fri)

# Palmer Partnership News

Our parish is part of the Palmer Partnership comprising the parishes of Ss Peter & Paul, St John the Baptist, St Cedd, St Teresa and St Bede.

We had our first joint council meeting this week and decided to have a gathering of catechists, readers and eucharistic ministers from the parishes. If you are involved in one of these ministries, you are invited to St Cedd's hall on Saturday 22nd June from 14.00 -16.00.

More details to follow nearer the time.

With kind regards, Rev. Canon Andrew Headon



## Dates for baptism sessions

Parents/Guardians note dates for baptism classes. All sessions start at 7pm promptly in the church. Parents and Godparents to attend. Parents confirm on the Sunday before each session that you will be attending.

#### Wednesday 26th June

Wednesday 10th July

Wednesday 18th September

Wednesday 2nd October

Wednesday 20th November

## Donations

11th & 12th May

Envelopes: £435.04 Loose Plate: £648.20

Standing Orders March: £1190.00

Fr Henry would like to thank you all

### Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

Is pleased to host their first Charity Tribute Night featuring ABBA Chique at the Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre in Rayleigh on Friday 12th July from 7.30 to 11pm.

Please spread the word among friends and family, join them at this special anniversary event and get ready to dance and sing along to your favourite ABBA hits! Tickets cost £20 plus a small booking fee and can be purchased via Eventbrite <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/abbatribute-night-tickets-849314000037</u>. Please keep your e-ticket to show on entry to the venue. All details can be found on the BCCS website: <u>www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/</u>. If you have any questions about the event, please email Julie jabbott@bccs.org.uk.

## Fr. Martin O'Connor

Fr. Martin will be celebrating the golden jubilee of his priestly ordination at St Bede Church

He will celebrate thanksgiving mass on

Monday 10th of June at 7.30pm

All parishioners are invited to celebrate this mass with Fr. Martin

## Food Bags

In the Hall after each Mass we will have some food bags courtesy of Tate and Lyle and The Community of All Saints School

Please take one or if you know of anyone in need, please do take one to them.

#### God Bless

#### One Heart, One Love, One Community

If you are a qualified

Plummer, Electrician, Gardner, Mechanic, Painter & Decorator, Tree Surgeon, Computer & Printer Technician

Please leave you card or telephone number/name, at the back of the church, someone will make contact with you

We are compiling our own directory for our community

Together we are stronger

### 'Revive; Discover; Empower' a young adults retreat

Walsingham House are hosting a young adults retreat on the weekend of 22nd – 23rd June.

The retreat is open to those who are 19+. It will be a weekend of prayer and friendship and a wonderful opportunity to take a break from work or university. The cost of the retreat is £45 and more information, including how to book, can be found at www.bcys.net/events

# **Mass Intentions**

18th	May	to	26th	May
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Saturday 18th	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)
	6.00pm	Robert Dunphy (RIP)
Sunday 19th	9.00am	For the Parish
	11.00am	For the Parish
	12.30pm	Confirmation Candidates
Monday 20th	9.00am	No Mass
Tuesday 21st	9.00am	For the sick in the Parish
Wednesday 22nd	9.00am	Lloyd and Priscilla Family Intention
Thursday 23rd	9.00am	For Diocesan Priests
Friday 24th	9.00am	Fr. Gedion (sick)
Saturday 25th	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)
	6.00pm	For the Parish
Sunday 26th	9.00am	Scholastica Nicholas (RIP)
	11.00am	For the sick in the Parish
	12.30pm	First Holy Communion
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### In your kindness, please pray for the following who are ill

Raymond Paul, Beveley Jones, Rosanna Joseph, Richard Lamb, Rachel Antonella Rizzo Joe Travasso, Karen Oates, Kim Nichol, Micky Bennett, Emily Pougnet, Rizzo Enzo Lucy Williams, Alsene Gibbs, Wesley Leachman, Chantale Wildman, Kevin Madden Bruce May, Annie Childs, Julia Cleary, Helena Almel, Maria Skekel, Annette Crowe



## Anniversaries

Fr H M Peace, Eileen Leslie, William Oldrey, Akya Sarpong Francis McBride, Elvira Tempesta, Ann Conroy, William O'Brien

Abel Fernandez, Michael Galvin, Leonard Williams, Mary Dennett, Margaret Lyons Terry McGrath, Maureen Connell, Anne Conroy, Annie Waing, Conliph George Simpson

### May they rest in Peace