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SUNDAY 9TH MAY 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	8th	10:00	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	Feria	Joseph Cannon RIP
SATURDAY	8TH	18:00	6th Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Obin Desiree
SUNDAY	9TH	08:30	6th Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	David Tiehi
		10:00	6th Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
	9TH	12:00	6th Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Paddy Lyons RIP
MONDAY	10TH		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	11TH	10:00	Feria		Gina Duro
WEDNESDAY	12TH	10:00	Saints Nereus and Achilles		Edith Kate Carpenter
THURSDAY	13TH	10:00	The Ascension of the Lord		Victor Viegas RIP
FRIDAY	14TH	10:00	Saint Matthias	Feast	Pope Francis & all religious
SATURDAY	15TH	10:00	Feria		For Peace

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 6PM IN THE HALL

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: WEDS: 12-2 SAT: 4-6



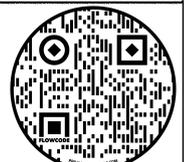
We pray for Cornelius Fleming and all those who have died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for Irene Jakubowska, Françoise Atta and Patrick Greevey who are unwell and remember all who are sick at this time. As we enter the month of May we are invited to increase our devotion to Our Lady and so we pray for the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary in our parish that they - inspired by our Blessed Mother - may encourage us to a greater reliance upon her prayers.

Next Thursday we will celebrate with great Solemnity the feast of the Ascension of the Lord into heaven when we remember that - after appearing and accompanying His first followers and bringing them great joy - He left them. I had the great privilege of visiting the site in Jerusalem where it is believed Jesus ascended and at which there is a very empty small Church. It's not nearly as impressive as Calvary or Galilee, Nazareth or Bethlehem and - as we gathered as a seminary community to pray without too many other pilgrims present - it felt quite lonely. I wonder whether this was the experience of the apostles who - having eaten with Him and spent time with Him after the Resurrection - saw Him leave them again. Despondency would have been understandable and - for those who grieve - makes the Ascension (the departure of a loved one) a very relatable feast. We feel for the apostles as the one they love so much has departed in a very definite manner. This week we will hear the account in the Acts of the Apostles which tells us that an angel appeared to them promising them that "this same Jesus will come back" and this enabled the apostles to return, join together in prayer and then preach fearlessly. God grant each of us an angel to help us witness when it's difficult!

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PARISH NEWS

A RETURN TO “1 METRE PLUS” SOCIAL DISTANCING: In light of the improved public health scenario and our vulnerable parishioners having been vaccinated, we will return to “1 metre plus” in Church from this Sunday: the Church will continue to be ventilated and all required to wear face coverings. Every bench will be in use and you will be less likely to be disappointed when trying to book a place at Mass. I want to thank our Stewards for their generosity in managing attendance and cleaning the Church and remind all that there is still no obligation to attend Mass.

HELPING THE PEOPLE OF INDIA: It is so sad to see footage from India where many people suffer the effects of the pandemic. Our SVP has been asked by the Rector of the Seminary in Pune, West India to pray for them. It is possible to provide financial support - if you are able - by visiting the website of Caritas: the charitable arm of the Catholic Church in the country by clicking [here](#).

ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON TO VISIT OUR PARISH: It's a joy to be able to inform you that Archbishop John Wilson - our own Archbishop of Southwark - is to join us on **Sunday 11th July for Mass at 10am**. During the Mass he will officially induct me as your Parish Priest and you are all welcome to come (if social distancing regulations have been relaxed by then). I look forward to his arrival and to his experiencing our joyful and beautiful liturgy which I have had the privilege of sharing with you. Please God we will be able to gather with the Archbishop afterwards in the Hall to continue the celebration socially. Let us continue to pray for our Archbishop and his work.

OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be open **Monday - Friday from 10am until 2pm** (excluding school - and bank - holidays). Please do not expect a response outside of these hours.

MASS INTENTIONS: It has been wonderful to see the number of Mass Intention requests we receive increase. This does mean, however, that if you would like Mass to be offered for your intention on a particular date (e.g. anniversary) you must request it well in advance. We are only able to book Masses from mid-June onwards. Please be aware of this to avoid disappointment.

COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND: It is very positive that - with the lessening of restrictions and the roll-out of the vaccination programme - it has become possible to visit Windmill Lodge (the nursing home in our parish) to take communion to the sick. I am working with one of our parishioners - Dan Howarth - to coordinate weekly visits to those who are housebound by a minister of the eucharist and monthly visits from the priest for confession. Please contact us if you:

- are housebound - or know of someone who is housebound
- and would like to receive communion.
- are willing to take communion to those who are housebound.

All of those who take communion to the sick must go through the process of applying for clearance from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) which our Safeguarding Officer will initiate with you. Please pray for a successful coordination of home visits so more people will come to know the love of the Lord even when they are unable to come to Mass themselves.