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In the Parish of Saint Mary's



Our Lady of the Rosary

*In the end my Immaculate Heart will
triumph! Fiat!*

Liturgical calendar

Day	Date	Time		Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Saturday	27	4.00pm c.11.45pm	Eng Eng	Vigil Pentecost	<i>Annamma Jacob RIP</i>
Sunday	28	9.30am 12.00 7.30pm	Eng Pol Pol	Pentecost (8 th Week)	<i>Parish</i>
Monday	29	9.00am	Eng	Mary Mother of the Church	<i>J&M Haynes</i>
Tuesday	30	No Mass		Feria	
Wednesday	31	TBA 7.30pm	Eng Pol	Visitation of BVM	<i>Margaret Darcy RIP</i>
Thursday	1	7.00pm	Eng	OLJC Eternal High Priest	<i>Eva's Intns RIP</i>
Friday	2	9.30am 7.30pm	Eng Pol	Feria	<i>Alina</i>
Saturday	3	4.00pm	Eng	Uganda Martyrs Vigil	<i>Pat</i>
Sunday	4	9.30am 12.00 2.30pm 4.00pm 7.30pm	Eng Pol Lith Latin Pol	Trinity Sunday	<i>Parish</i>

PLEASE NOT CHANGE OF MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

TBA = Check website for announcement.

27th May Vigil of Pentecost 9.00-11.30pm Watching followed by prayers and mass

28th May Pentecost 4.00pm Benediction and Healing Service.

Divine Mercy: 2.00pm Wednesdays

Adoration/Holy Hour:

Confessions: Saturday 3.20pm-3.50pm Sunday 8.50am-9.20pm

VIGIL OF PENTECOST 9.00-12.00(MIDNIGHT)

9.00pm Adoration - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

11.30pm Prayers and Benediction followed by the First Mass of Pentecost.





The Woman with a haemorrhage...if only I can touch the hem of his garment....

Pentecost Sunday – Benediction and Healing Service 4.00pm

Pentecost Sunday is a sacred day and we should celebrate it with solemnity and benediction and adoration is a most fitting way.

It is also a day when we can ask Jesus to heal our wounds whether they be physical or spiritual. This will enable us to grow closer to the Lord, Jesus.

The monstrance will be processed and there will be a chance to touch the hem of the humeral veil.

Dates for the diary:

May 28th Pentecost Sunday Healing Service and Benediction. 4.00pm

Vigil of Pentecost – see back page.

Sat 17th June 7pm Middlecott Academy, Kirton Pe20 1JS Kirton Brass Band £10 proceeds to Centrepoint. Bring your own nibbles (Tea/Coffee Provided)

Repository Shop: A range of cards, gifts, rosaries, Crucifixes etc. Also, handmade cards for Care Home India. This also supports our Church.

Sunday Collection: 21 May 2023

Envelope: £146 **Loose Plate:** £372 If donating by cheque please make it payable to Boston Roman Catholic Parish. Thank you for your financial support and those too who pay through the bank. The Gift Aid March 23 quarter has been submitted to HMRC totalling £7130.18

Thank you all for gift aiding your donations. Chaz Mayhew. (07778840886)

Second Collection: World Communications £169

Second Collections: 18th June Day for Life; 2nd July Peter's Pence; 16th July Sea Sun. 17 Sept Ev.Gaudium.; 22 Oct World Mission Sunday; 10th Dec Poor/Needy Parishes

OF YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR

- The sick and housebound and for those who need your prayers, Sadie Wheate, Rosalyn, Mary, Fay Cowell, David Locking and Jack Newell. Michael Campbell
- First Holy Communion Candidates
- Confirmation candidate: Leaine



From the Parish Priest's Desk...Our Lenten Journey.

After Christ had completed his mission on earth, it still remained necessary for us to become sharers in the divine nature of the Word. We had to give up our own life and be so transformed that we would begin to live an entirely new kind of life that would be pleasing to God. This was something we could do only by sharing in the Holy Spirit. It was most fitting that the sending of the Spirit and his descent upon us should take place after the departure of Christ our Saviour. As long as Christ was with them in the flesh, it must have seemed to believers that they possessed every blessing in him; but when the time came for him to ascend to his heavenly Father, it was necessary for him to be united through his Spirit to those who worshipped him, and to dwell in our hearts through faith. Only by his own presence within us in this way could he give us confidence to cry out, Abba, Father, make it easy for us to grow in holiness and, through our possession of the all-powerful Spirit, fortify us invincibly against the wiles of the devil and the assaults of men.

It can easily be shown from examples both in the Old Testament and the New that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell; he so transforms them that they begin to live a completely new kind of life. Saul was told by the prophet Samuel: The Spirit of the Lord will take possession of you, and you shall be changed into another man. Saint Paul writes: As we behold the glory of the Lord with unveiled faces, that glory, which comes from the Lord who is the Spirit, transforms us all into his own likeness, from one degree of glory to another. Does this not show that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell and alters the whole pattern of their lives?

With the Spirit within them it is quite natural for people who had been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely other-worldly in out-look, and for cowards to become men of great courage. There can be no doubt that this is what happened to the disciples. The strength they received from the Spirit enabled them to hold firmly to the love of Christ, facing the violence of their persecutors unafraid. Very true, then, was our Saviour's saying that it was to their advantage for him to return to heaven: his return was the time appointed for the descent of the Holy Spirit. (From a commentary on the gospel of John by Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop)

Fr. Dominic Fiat!

Pentecost – What does the Catechism of the Catholic Church say:

731 On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ's Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.

732 On that day, the Holy Trinity is fully revealed. Since that day, the Kingdom announced by Christ has been open to those who believe in him: in the humility of the flesh and in faith, they already share in the communion of the Holy Trinity. By his coming, which never ceases, the Holy Spirit causes the world to enter into the "last days," the time of the Church, the Kingdom already inherited though not yet consummated.

We have seen the true Light, we have received the heavenly Spirit, we have found the true faith: we adore the indivisible Trinity, who has saved us.

The Holy Spirit - God's gift

733 "God is Love" and love is his first gift, containing all others. "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

734 Because we are dead or at least wounded through sin, the first effect of the gift of love is the forgiveness of our sins. the communion of the Holy Spirit in the Church restores to the baptized the divine likeness lost through sin.

735 He, then, gives us the "pledge" or "first fruits" of our inheritance: the very life of the Holy Trinity, which is to love as "God (has) loved us." This love (the "charity" of 1 Cor 13) is the source of the new life in Christ, made possible because we have received "power" from the Holy Spirit.

736 By this power of the Spirit, God's children can bear much fruit. He who has grafted us onto the true vine will make us bear "the fruit of the Spirit: . . . love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." "We live by the Spirit"; the more we renounce ourselves, the more we "walk by the Spirit."

Through the Holy Spirit we are restored to paradise, led back to the Kingdom of heaven, and adopted as children, given confidence to call God "Father" and to share in Christ's grace, called children of light and given a share in eternal glory.

