

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth
National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit

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Come Holy Spirit, by means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Your well-beloved spouse. Amen.



Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, I give thee my whole self, soul and body, all that I have or may have, to keep for Jesus, that I may be His for evermore. Amen.

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST (B)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS: This week:

❖ *Our Lady of Light Chapel: Bogdan & Halina Holeszowska RIP (Family)*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Please make your weekly offerings by standing order.

If you are a taxpayer, you can Gift Aid the amount without any cost to yourself. The parish bank details are:

Bank Title: Catholic Church Clacton-on-Sea

Sort Code 401322 Account Number: 41020463.

Members of the gift-aid scheme should quote their name and Gift Aid number in the Reference. Funds received last week:

Standing Order Offerings £551.50 of which £492.50 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £465.78 of which £105.00 was gift aided.

Thank you for your generosity, for Gift Aiding your offerings, and for your support of the Parish. Fr Patrick.

JOHN 17:11-19

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Feast of Pentecost. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we are told that ‘when Pentecost day came around, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit. They received the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world.

In the Gospel from John, Jesus appears to the disciples and tells them, ‘As the Father sent me, so I am sending you’. After this He breathed on them and said: “Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained’. The word apostle is a Greek word meaning ‘those sent’. The apostles were sent to build the Church. By the gift of the Holy Spirit, they were given the power to act in the name of Jesus Christ.

This is the time of the Church. It is also the time of the Holy Spirit. The Church through the action of the Holy Spirit dispenses the graces of the Paschal Mystery through the Holy Sacraments. It is through the action of the Holy Spirit in the Church that the bodily reality of Jesus Christ is made present. The absent Jesus Christ is made present to us through the Holy Sacraments. It is through the Sacraments that we come in bodily contact with the Resurrected Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit manifests the risen Lord to us. The Holy Spirit makes present the mystery of Christ, supremely in the Eucharist – the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, to reconcile us and bring us into communion with God.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE SATURDAY 25TH MAY 2024: Please note all parishioners travelling on the coach should board at 8.15 am at the latest. (There are a few seats available – please contact Paul Tywford on 07970619053).

SATURDAY 25TH MAY 2024: Please note that due to the Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham there is no Vigil Mass at 6.00pm.

PARISH LAWNS: Maurice Bolgar has been generously cutting our lawns for years. He has recently had a knee replacement and is out of action for the summer. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

VACANCIES AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK: The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service wish to appoint the following for Walsingham House:

- Retreat Manager
- Programme Leader.

Full details at www.bcys.net/news/vacancies The closing date is Friday 24th May 2024.

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE: Weekend 22nd-23rd June 2024. Open to young adults 19+. Weekend of prayer and friendship. The cost is £45.00. Book via www.bcys.net/events

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 18 th May 2024.	9.30 am.	MASS: Betty Austin RIP Lee Family
Saturday 18 th May 2024.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 18 th May 2024.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 18 th May 2024.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 18 th May 2024.	12.00 pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 18 th May 2024. Vigil of the Solemnity of Pentecost (B).	6.00 pm.	MASS: Pat & Des McGuire Intentions. Joe.
Sunday 19 th May 2024. The Solemnity of Pentecost (B)	8.30 am.	MASS: Margaret Kavanagh Intentions. Catherine.
Sunday 19 th May 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Eileen Maclaren & Family Intentions. Janet Newton.
Monday 20 th May 2024 <i>Memorial of Mary, Mother of God.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Thresua Mathews RIP. Vijesh Mathews.
Tuesday 21 st May 2024.	9.00am.	MASS: Martin Gamble Intentions. Doreen Lane.

Friday 24 th May 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: Frank Lane Intentions Doreen Lane.
Sunday 26 th May 2024. The Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity (B)	8.30 am.	MASS: Eileen Murphy RIP Pat Cunningham.
Sunday 19 th May 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Julia Clarke & Family Intentions.