

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

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**PENTECOST SUNDAY C**

(Day of Prayer for the Church)

*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.*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: **Please, wherever possible, arrange to make your weekly offerings electronically.** If you are a taxpayer, you can gift aid the amount without any cost to yourself. This saves the work of our volunteer counters, increases our income, and greatly reduces our bank charges. 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:

Electronic Offerings £289.73 of which £255.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £480.93 of which £111.00 was gift aided.

World Communications Day: £70.35 of which 23.00 was gift aided.

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

JOHN 14:15-16, 23-26.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Feast of Pentecost. The word Pentecost is a Greek word meaning fifty. The Jewish nation has celebrated the feast of Pentecost for centuries before the birth of Christ. They celebrated their release from slavery and exile in Egypt, and the gift of the TORAH – the Word of God fifty days later. We celebrate Pentecost in celebration of our release from slavery to sin and death, through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ; and the subsequent gift of the Holy Spirit fifty days later.

In the Gospel from John, Jesus appears to His disciples and tells them, 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and He will give you another Advocate to be with you forever. The commandment Jesus gives us is 'to love one another as I have loved you.' This is not a sentimental love but sacrificial love. It is the love that Jesus showed us when He surrendered Himself to death on a cross for us. It is a love that has a price and has no expectations of return. The Advocate is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the most powerful force in the cosmos. The Holy Spirit is the force of God's love on earth. Jesus reassures us that those who love Him and keep His word, will be rewarded by the love of the Father. He tells us the Father and the Son will make their home with them. The purpose of this life is to grow in ever closer union with the Blessed Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. This process is complete at the end of our lives in a state called heaven. We receive a taste of heaven in the Holy Mass when we receive Jesus Christ in His Body and Blood. As we consume Jesus, we become what we receive, and grow in ever closer union with the Holy Trinity.

PARISH CHOIR: We have a wonderful choir in our Parish who are appealing for new members. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help or speak directly to a member of the choir.

FUNERAL: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Terrence Collins and his grieving family. The funeral takes place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

CHURCHES TOGETHER ECUMENICAL SERVICE: Our Lady of Light will be hosting this year's annual ecumenical service and AGM for the Christian Churches in Clacton on Sea. Fr Patrick will be presiding at the service and will be supported by our Choir. There will be a light supper and refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall. I would be very grateful if anybody is able to make any homemade cakes for the event. Please do come and support Fr Patrick on this occasion.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLATINIUM JUBILIEE GARDEN PARTY: If anybody can help set-up in the garden at 9.00 am, please contact Peter McManamon 07954090461.

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.**

Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	9.30 am.	MASS: Dominic, Mary & John Henley Mary.
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. <i>Vigil of the Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday (C).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Hayley Williams & Family Intentions. Shane Andrews.
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. <i>Solemnity of Pentecost (C). (Day of Prayer for the Church).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Julie Fitzgerald intentions. Parish.
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Stanley Lewis RIP Tara & Terrence.
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	2.00 pm.	BAPTISMS: Philip Kassim & Priscilla Kassim.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. <i>Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: James Killen Intentions. Ann Killen

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	1.30 pm.	FUNERAL: Terrance Collins RIP.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. <i>National Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Kitty Casey Intentions Catherine O'Donovan.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	7.30 pm.	CHURCHES TOGETHER ECUMENICAL SERVICE.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	9.00 am.	MASS: Michael & Valerie Palmer Intentions Catherine O'Donovan.
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. Memorial of St Barnabas, Ap.	9.30 am.	MASS: Edward Snowden & Family Intentions.
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Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity (C).	8.30 am.	MASS: Elizabeth Whelan RIP Thomas Whelan.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Patricia Newman RIP Tara & Terence.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	2.00 pm.	BAPTISM: Maximilian Dwan.