

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face;
hide not your face from me, alleluia.

Cf. Ps 26: 7-9

**Gospel Acclamation:
(ALL STAND)**

Alleluia, alleluia.

I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord.
I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will
rejoice.
Alleluia.

Cf. John 14:18

Collect: Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord,
so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race
is with you in your glory,
may experience, as he promised,
until the end of the world,
his abiding presence among us.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

First Reading:

Acts 1:12-14

'All with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer.'
After Jesus was taken up into heaven the Apostles returned
to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near
Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they
had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they
were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip
and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of
Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James.
All these with one accord were devoting themselves to
prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of
Jesus, and his brothers and sisters.

**R/ THE WORD OF THE LORD
C/ THANKS BE TO GOD**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 27(26):1. 4. 7-8a. R13

R. I be - lieve that I shall see the Lor - d's Good -
ness in the land of the liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia.

Second Reading:

1 Peter 4:13-16

**'If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are
blessed.'**

Beloved: Rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings,
that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is
revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are
blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon
you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or
an evildoer, or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a
Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in
that name.

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Gospel:

John 17:1-11a

'Father, glorify your Son.'

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said,
'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son
may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all
flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.
And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true
God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you
on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me
to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence
with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.
'I have manifested your name to the people whom you
gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave
them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know
that everything that you have given me is from you. For I
have given them the words that you gave me, and they
have received them and have come to know in truth that I
came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I
am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for
those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All
mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in
them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the
world, and I am coming to you.'

P/ THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

C/ PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that through these acts of devotedness
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Father, I pray that they may be one
as we also are one, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion:

Hear us, O God our Saviour,
and grant us confidence,
that through these sacred mysteries
there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church
what has already come to pass in Christ her Head.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Jn 17: 22



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17th MAY 2026 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

Sunday Mass Times:

6pm (Saturday Vigil), 10am
(Family) & 12 Noon (Solemn)
5pm (Portuguese)

Other Mass Times:

Mondays & Fridays: 12 Noon
Wednesdays & Thursdays: 9:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

As announced



Confession Times:

Fridays 12.35-1pm, Saturdays
11-11.30am & 5.15-5.45pm or by
appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays: 12:30pm-1pm,
Saturdays: 5.15-5.45pm

Parish Office Opening Times:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays &
Fridays: 10am-2pm
Wednesdays: Closed

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

What do we mean by "the Glory of Christ"?

In John's Gospel, after the Last Supper, Jesus gives his disciples a long farewell teaching. In the ancient world, it was common to gather the final words of a great leader into a speech of instruction for the community he was leaving behind, often set within a final meal. In this prayer of Jesus, the whole meaning of his life and mission is brought together. We hear his deep love for the Father, and his complete desire to do the Father's will. But the strongest theme is the glory of Jesus.

For the first Christians, the Resurrection was not only about the empty tomb. It was also about Jesus being raised into glory: lifted up to share fully in the divine life and splendour of the Father.

The New Testament says this in different ways. Colossians calls Christ the first-born of creation and the first-born from the dead. Philippians says that every knee should bend before him. This worship of Christ does not take glory away from the Father. It is, as Saint Paul says, "to the glory of God the Father."

So the glory of Christ is not worldly fame or power. It is the glory of love, obedience, victory over death, and perfect union with the Father.

For us today, this is a reminder that true glory is not found in status, popularity, wealth, or being admired by others. The glory of Christ is the glory of faithful love: love that serves, forgives, sacrifices, and gives life. In a world so often drawn to power, image, and self-promotion, Jesus shows us another way. His glory is revealed not by grasping at greatness, but by giving himself completely to the Father and to us.

Have a blessed week.

Fr Mark

SCAN QR CODE TO DONATE TO THE PARISH (SUNDAY COLLECTION ETC):



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK, HOUSEBOUND, THOSE WHO RECEIVE COMMUNION AT HOME:

Father Anthony, Margaret Quinn, Michael O'Brien, Christine Smith, Rachel Cottrell, Alice O'Neill, Jilly Taylor, Pauline Guthrie, Maureen Lyden, Richard Ainsworth, Francesco Sesia, Joe Owen, Doreen O'Callaghan, Wesley Gilead, Henrik Sperlich, Allan & Lynne Mackintosh, Ray Norris, Raj Puri, Stephen de Winter, Ann Olive, Esmeralda Costa.

HAL LAMPS: STEVE ENGENA (RECOVERY & GOOD HEALTH) and JOHN & VERONICA BURNS (RIP)

RECENTLY DEPARTED: We pray for all those who have died recently: John & Veronica Burns.

DEAD ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for all those who died around this time.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

| W | Day | Date | Feast/Event | Vigil | Time | Intention |
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| W | Sunday | 17th May | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | Vigil | 5:15 pm 6:00 pm 10:00 am 12 Noon | Evening Prayer of the Church People of the Parish John Inayatullah Michael O'Hara (RIP) |
| W | Monday | 18th May | Easter Feria | | 12 Noon | Pauline O'Sullivan (INT) |
| W | Tuesday | 19th May | Easter Feria | | | NO MASS |
| W | Wednesday | 20th May | Easter Feria | | 9:30 am | Fr Colin McLean (RIP) |
| W | Thursday | 21st May | Easter Feria | | 9:30 am | Meril Moka- Loembhet (B'day) |
| W | Friday Abstinence | 22nd May | Easter Feria | | 12 Noon | Keane Family (ANN) |
| R | Saturday | 23rd May | Pentecost Sunday | Vigil | 6:00 pm | Angela Bosah (INT) |

NEWS AND VIEWS

Vespers (Evening Prayer)

On Saturday evenings, Sung Evening Prayer is celebrated at 5:15pm before Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join us.

Donate to the Parish.

For your convenience, scan the QR code to donate to the Sunday collection and other collections for the Mission of our church. You can also set up regular offerings and donations. This QR Code will be displayed on church notice boards etc to make giving easier. We thank you for your generosity.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We welcome you to Mass in our church and especially at the 10am Family Mass. Please note you may be more comfortable sitting in Our Lady of Hal's chapel on the left hand side at the front of the church. The chapel doubles as a 'crying chapel' as it is soundproofed but one can still hear the Mass.

Pray for Vocations.

Richard, our Archbishop, has asked the diocese to pray for vocations to the priesthood and, specifically, from now until Pentecost. We will dedicate Friday's Adoration (and when we have Vespers and Adoration on Saturday evening) to this intention, commencing Friday 1st May.

These are the weekly prayer intentions: **1st May:** Pray for men to be open to God's call to the priesthood. **8th May:** Pray for those currently discerning the priesthood. **15th May:** Pray for seminarians in their formation. **22nd May:** Pray for your parish's priests and all clergy serving in the diocese. Those of us who pray the Rosary are encouraged to pray for vocations too.

AFTERNOON TEA & MUSICAL BINGO

Join us for afternoon tea & games of musical bingo at 2pm on the 1st of June in the Van Pelt hall. Tickets will be sold at £5 and can be purchased after Saturday/Sunday Masses commencing this week or it can also be purchased from the office during the weekday. Bingo cards can be purchased on the day at £1.50 per game. Hurry and grab your tickets as spaces are limited.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS: MAY

That everyone might have food: Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Day of Fasting for Life

On Thursday 21st May please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed. For information on the days of Prayer and Fasting contact The Good Counsel Network on 020 7723 1740, or via www.goodcounselnetwork.com.

Divine Mercy Recollection Day

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday 6th June 2026 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Recollection Day will include Holy Mass, Talk, Hour of Mercy with Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway, North London, Barking and Victoria.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2026

First Holy Communion 2026: The next class will be on Saturday 6th June at 11am in the hall. Parents/guardians are to attend.

Confirmation 2026: The next class will take place on **Thursday 21st May** at 6pm in the hall. Confirmands are expected to attend the cohort mass on the 24th May Sunday 12 Noon Mass.

TEA & COFFEE

Parishioners and visitors are all welcome to join us in the Van Pelt Hall after 10am Sunday Mass.

COLLECTIONS: LAST SUNDAY (THANK YOU!)

Friday Collection: £41.87 Envelopes: £290.70 Loose: £224.40 Total: £556.97
Donation by Dona Card Machine on Sunday: £318.80 and £519 per week by standing order.