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Seventh Sunday of Easter

12th/13th May 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Page 273: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalm 102; John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19

Next Week: Pentecost Sunday: Page 286: Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23



JESUS – PRAYING FOR ME

Today's liturgy is sandwiched between Ascension Thursday which we celebrated last Thursday and the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles which we will celebrate next Sunday.

When Jesus departed the Apostles were heartbroken. They had hoped for great things. Their life dreams were shattered. They were going to need Jesus' protection as never before.

In today's Gospel Jesus prays for his friends in their hour of need. He prays that they will stay together, united in love. He prays that they will support each other in times of difficulty and remain faithful to God the Father.

The Gospel is part of his prayer for his friends in danger. Jesus makes the same prayer for us in our time. Jesus prays for each one of us so we should never lose hope, no matter how difficult life can be or what may be our cross.

Today we are reassured that Jesus cares for us. We need His love and His concern in our daily lives.

FR. JOHN

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm.
Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon; Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am,
Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am, Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am,
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11am and 5pm

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We offer our warmest congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend:

Saturday 12th May at 12.00noon

Rafiel James Benito Addis, Julia Kapuscinska, Annabel Boakyewaah Karikari, Arianna Mary Akoshia Abbey-Ampah, Liana Pita Cabral, Daniel Pilarczyk, Kayla Opoku Boateng, Ailey Valentina Vieira Victor, Malaika Alphonso Chittilapilly, Isaac Moran-Bhere, Iris-Jay Dolan Clark, Reed Fernandes, Mackenzie Daphne Mary Baptiste, Hanna Prinsloo and Tyler Patrice Mugisha Muzoori

Sunday 13th May at 11am

Simon Fernandes Da Silva, Mary Candice Ordone, Taylan Philip-Myers, Ellis Gray Burksfield, Karol Marcin Przystanski, Penelope Samantha Davis, Tori-Jorja Sarai Woods, Mateusz Jerzy Majewski, Dominik Kazimierz Majewski, Olivia Kamila Szczołka, Justin Joe Basanal and Jagoda Kenryka Bujak

SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be no 11am Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 26th May**. Instead there will be the First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass at 12 noon, to which everyone is invited.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

A warm welcome to Kian James and Maicey Louise Knight and Riston Raymond Camelo who will be baptised this weekend.

CONFIRMATION LUNCH

Our Confirmation Candidates will be serving Lunch in the parish Centre **next Sunday 20th May** after the 11am Mass. They are fundraising for Shooting Star hospice as part of their Confirmation programme. Lunch will be "eat in" or "take away" and priced at £5 each. I hope you will support this event.

PARISH NOTICES

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 14th May** at 7.30pm for a Bring and Buy Sale with plants included.

We will also celebrate the forthcoming Royal Wedding by ending the evening with a small party. Bring pictures or news of the Royal couple to share.

MAY – THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

During the month of May, the Rosary will be recited every Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting will be on **Monday 21st May** at 7pm in the Presbytery, to which anyone is welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In addition to the usual Eucharistic Adoration on the morning of **Saturday 2nd June**, there will also be Eucharistic Adoration from 5pm-6pm that day being the eve of the Feast of Corpus Christi.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The annual parish BBQ will take place on **Saturday 7th July** at 7pm in the parish centre. All are invited to attend and to make this a truly parish occasion.

Tickets priced at £7/Adult and £3 under 10 will be available shortly. If you can help with this event please contact Fr. John or the parish office.

OTHER

TWO NEW MEMORIAL DAYS IN THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR

A new Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church to be celebrated on the **Monday after Pentecost (21st May)** and later that week, the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest has been instituted to be celebrated on **Thursday 24th May**.

THE SISTINE CHAPEL CHOIR

The Sistine Chapel Choir, Holy Father's personal choir, performs a sacred choral music concert from the repertoire they sing in the Vatican on **Saturday 26th May 2018** at 8pm in Westminster Cathedral. The concert will last an hour, and is free of charge (no tickets required). Come and experience this world-famous choir singing in the beautiful setting of Westminster Cathedral. All are welcome.

ADVANCE WARNING – FELTHAM TOWN CENTRE

As part of the Feltham town centre improvement works, Hounslow Road will be temporarily closed to all traffic and pedestrians between New Road and Hanworth Road from **Tuesday 29th May for ten months**. These works are expected to cause significant disruption in the area and increase journey times. For more information visit www.hounslow.gov.uk/felthamworks and www.tfl.gov.uk/buses for information on diversions to bus routes.

COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP – THURSDAY 31ST MAY

Join Caritas Westminster and Sponsor Refugees for an event on Community Sponsorship. Community Sponsorship is a way that community groups can be involved in supporting the resettlement of vulnerable people fleeing conflict. The event will be held at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London, SW1P 1QN, from 6.30-8.30pm. Tea and coffee will be available from 6.00pm. Please RSVP to caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, or call on 0207 931 6077.

THE WEYBRIDGE MALE VOICE CHOIR...

...will be performing an exciting and varied programme of spiritual, hymns, devotional pieces, traditional songs and ballads and choral arrangements of songs from musical shows and current popular music scene, all performed in the spine-tlingling four part harmony which is unique to traditional male voice choral singing. Tickets: £12 including complimentary glass of Prosecco and canapés. Proceeds in aid of the Parish Centre Building Fund. Tickets now on sale from the Parish Office or after Mass.

Date: Friday 1st June 7.30pm to 9.30pm

Drinks Reception in Parish Centre from 6.30pm

REST IN PEACE

MARCEL BAYADA RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Marcel Bayada RIP who died recently. His funeral will take place on **Wednesday 16th May** at **11.00am** at Hanworth Crematorium. Please also remember in your prayers his family and friends who mourn him.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 12 th	11.00 12.00 13.45 17.00 18.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS Baptisms of Kian James & Maicey Louise Knight and Riston Raymond Camelo Sacrament of Reconciliation In Thanksgiving Troy Tavares
Sun 13 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 15.00 18.00	Edward Bunker RIP (40 days) FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS Toby Ezennubian – Good Health Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass in Ukrainian for the Ukrainian Community People of the Parish
Mon 14 th	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Tues 15 th	09.30	Juliet Atumah in Thanksgiving
Wed 16 th	09.30	Peter Soares RIP
Thurs 17 th	09.30	Ignatius Abreu RIP (Anniversary)
Fri 18 th	09.30	Dominic & Josephine Fernandes in Thanksgiving
Sat 19 th	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 13.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Mary Smith (Birthday Intention) Baptism of Leo John Alan Carvalho Sacrament of Reconciliation Gery Ward RIP (1 st Anniversary)
Sun 20 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Jenny Wilson (Intention) Christine Cahalane RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp: Raphael Danladi in Thanksgiving

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

5-6 May: Envelopes £844.36; Loose: £1,102.47;
Standing Orders: £845.75 **Total: £3,014.00**