

Welcome to our Parish  
of the **HOLY GHOST**  
*Pastoral Area of Luton [St Alban]*  
*Diocese of Northampton*  
**OUR LITURGY**  
**and NEWS**  
13 May 2018  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY**  
**of EASTER – Year B**

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## OUR LITURGY THIS WEEK

*Please bring RED plants and flowers  
during the week for the altar and shrine  
for our feast day next Sunday!*

**TODAY -Seventh Sunday of Easter - Year B**  
**8.30am – Sung Mass** [for the People of the Parish.  
*RIP: Kevin Lavelle]*

**10am - Mass with Music Group**  
*[RIP: Tom Corr Senior, Helen Byrnes, Charles McNerney]*

**11.30am – Mass with Organ and Cantor**  
*[RIP: Mary Reid INT: Bryan Murnane:]*

**7pm – Mass for our Polish Community**

**MONDAY– St Matthias**, Apostle -feast  
Mass 9am *[RIP: Mary Gannon]*

**TUESDAY-** Ascension Feria - **Pentecost Novena**  
Mass 9am *[Int: Gabriel Gallagher]*

**WEDNESDAY –** Ascension Feria - **Pentecost Novena**  
Mass 7.30pm – *[RIP: Monica McIntyre]*

**THURSDAY –** Ascension Feria - **Pentecost Novena**  
Noon – Mass with the Anointing of the Sick - Centre

**FRIDAY –** Ascension Feria- *St John 1, pope & martyr*  
**Pentecost Novena**  
Mass 7.30pm *[RIP: Jimmy Prunty]*

**SATURDAY –** Easter Feria – *St Dunstan, bishop, Bl Peter*  
*Wrught, martyr. Pentecost Novena concludes.*  
Mass 10am

## SOLEMNITY of PENTECOST - B

### Our Parish Feast Day

**8.30am - Sung Mass –**  
*[RIP: Thomas Cafferty, Tony Clayton Int:Maureen Corkin]*

**10am - Mass with Music Group**  
*[for the People of the Parish RIP: Joe O'Malley, Nora*  
*Lacey, Josaphat Monlouse]*

**11.30am – Mass with Organ and Cantor**  
*[RIP: John & David Henry & deceased members of the*  
*Henry family]*

**5pm Vespers and Benediction**

**7pm – Mass for our Polish Community**

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Sunday Night Social – Parish Centre.** All welcome  
- 8pm Rosary Group - *Chapel*

**Tuesday –** 8pm Gift Course- *Bernadette*  
- 8pm Legion of Mary – *Sacristy*

**Wednesday –** 9.30am- Church Cleaning -Group 2

**Thursday –** from 12noon – Senior Citizens' Social Club

## CONTACTS

**POLISH COMMUNITY -** Mass in Polish - Sundays 7pm  
☎662807 [parafiadunstable@gmail.com](mailto:parafiadunstable@gmail.com)  
Frs Piotr Redlinski, Slawomir Strycharski SChr.

### SYRO MALANKARA COMMUNITY

**Eucharist :** 10am every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
Fr Thomas Madakkumootil ☎07722116265

**HOSPITAL -** Chaplain: Fr Michael Patey ☎ 663706

**HOSPICE** Chaplain: Fr Tony Brennan ☎ 502400

**SCHOOLS -** \*Cardinal Newman Secondary [597125]  
Primary - St Joseph [573446/572964]

- \*St Margaret of Scotland [723430]  
[\* schools in St Alban Catholic Academy Trust]

**NORES -** *Diocesan Office for RE, Evangelisation, Schools,*  
*& Catechesis - 9.30-4.30pm [Mon-Friday] in the Centre.*  
☎723312 / [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) [www.nores.org.uk](http://www.nores.org.uk)

**NYMO –** *Northampton Diocese Youth Ministry Office*  
*in the Parish Centre.* ☎ 01582 720627 / [nymo.org](http://nymo.org)

## PENTECOST – Our Parish Feast Day

### Next Sunday 20 May

\* Pray the **PENTECOST NOVENA** which  
continues at daily Mass and prayers at home

\* Join us for our **PARISH BBQ & DISCO**  
**next Saturday – Tickets available now!**

\* Help with the **PARISH GIFT DAY** -  
traditionally the second collection allocated to  
Parish Projects. Gift Aid envelopes are available  
for collection in the Narthex. I used we will be  
able to boost your gift by reclaiming tax relief.  
Thank you for your generosity and support

\* **RED PLANTS & FLOWERS** for the feast!!!!

# OUR MASS TODAY

## SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTERTIME

### OUR PARISH PRAYER to prepare for MASS

Leader - Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

**ALL - AND KINDLE IN THEM THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE**

Leader - Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created

**ALL - AND YOU WILL RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH**

Leader - Let us pray (*we pause*)

**ALL - Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit, you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to love what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**At 10am Mass We welcome for their FIRST COMMUNION with their families - Sinali Don Pathirange & Ephraim John**

### ProceSSIONal

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven! To his feet thy tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,

who like me his praise should sing?

Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting king.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress;  
praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows!

Angels help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;  
sun and moon bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space,  
Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace!

### Greeting and Introduction

#### Penitential Rite

**Gloria - Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, and on earth peace, peace to people of good will.**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen.

## LITURGY of the WORD

**First Reading** Acts 1:15-17,20-26 *'Let someone else take his office'*

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: 'Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. Now in the Book of Psalms it says: Let someone else take his office. 'We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling round with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection. Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, 'Lord, you can read everyone's heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.' They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

*The Word of the LORD – THANKS BE TO GOD*

### Psalm 117

LET ALL THE EARTH CRY OUT YOUR PRAISES

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

### Second Reading

1 John 4:11-16

*Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him*

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him. *This is the Word of the LORD – THANKS BE TO GOD.*

*We reflect in silence after the readings to prepare ourselves to greet and hear the gospel of Jesus Christ*



### The Easter ALLELUIA greets the gospel

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

JESUS, RISEN LORD OF LIFE.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

### Gospel

John 17:11-19

The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

*Father, keep those you have given me true to your name*

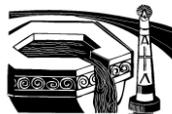
Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world.

Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.'

*The Gospel of the Lord PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST*

**The Easter ALLELUIA acclaim the gospel – as before**



### Homily

**Our Profession of Faith with our FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN** *support them today with your prayers and example of Christian life*

P. Do you believe in God the Father ?

*Children : I believe in God the Father.*

*All : I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ ? *Children : I believe in Jesus Christ*

*All : and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

P. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit ?

*Children : I believe in the Holy Spirit*

*All : I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. AMEN. the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. AMEN.*

**Intercessions** – *we pray together as our concluding prayer for Bishop Peter's Year of Prayer and Vocation*  
Thanks be to you, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits which you have given us,  
for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us.  
Most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,  
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

## LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

### At the Preparation of the Gifts

Let there be love shared among us, let there be love in our eyes.  
May now your love sweep this nation, cause us, O Lord, to arise.  
Give us a fresh understanding, filled with your love that is real.  
Let there be love shared among us, let there be love.

Let there be peace shared among us ...

Let there be joy shared among us ...

Let there be hope shared among us ...

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.  
Lift up your hearts - WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God - IT IS RIGHT AND JUST.  
- *The Priest continues the Preface until we sing the Sanctus*  
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD OF HOSTS.  
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.  
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES  
IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

- *After the Consecration: "The Mystery of Faith" - we respond*  
WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH, O LORD,  
AND PROFESS YOUR RESURRECTION,  
UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN, UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN

### The Communion Rite

OUR FATHER .....

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS NOW AND FOR EVER.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. AMEN

The peace of the Lord be with you always. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT

Let us offer each other a sign of the peace of Christ

*Agnus Dei - as the Bread (Christ's Body) is broken for us*  
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,  
HAVE MERCY ON US [*twice*]  
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,  
GRANT US PEACE

### The Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY THAT YOU SHOULD ENTER UNDER MY ROOF BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED.

**Communion Procession** – *our Eastertime chant begins quietly*

CHRIST HAS DIED, ALLELUIA.

CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA.

CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

### Thanksgiving Chant after Communion

Be still and know I am with you. Be still, I am the Lord.  
I will not leave you orphans. I leave with you my world. Be one.

You fear the light may be fading. You fear to lose your way.  
Be still and know I am near you. I'll lead you to the day and the sun.

Be glad the day you have sorrow. Be glad for then you live.  
The stars shine only in darkness, and in your need I give my peace.

## Solemn Blessing and Dismissal from the Easter Garden

**Recessional** *for the month of May, Mary's month*  
Holy Virgin, by God's decree you were called eternally'  
that he could give his Son to our race,  
Mary, we praise you, hail full of grace. *Ave, ave, ave Maria*

By your faith and loving accord as the handmaid of the Lord,  
you undertook God's plan to embrace,  
Mary, we thank you, hail full of grace. *Ave, ave, ave Maria*

To our needy world of today love and beauty you portray,  
showing the path to Christ we must trace,  
Mary, our mother, hail full of grace. *Ave, ave, ave Maria*

### Organ Voluntary at 11.30am –

*(In many places the people remain and listen to the voluntary as a time of prayer and reflection. Try it for yourself!)*

**TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME FOR YOUR PRAYER  
or FOLD IT BACK TO THE FRONT FOR THE NEXT PERSON.**

## PENTCOST NOVENA .... Our Nine Days of Prayer continues until the eve of our Parish feast of Pentecost.

Join us each day for mass if you can  
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Each day pray the parish prayer that  
we use before mass

Take the Novena leaflet away with  
you today

and pray for our parish,

or one another,

for our future,

for the mission of God's Church.

*What the Spirit brings  
is love, joy, peace,  
patience, kindness,  
goodness, truthfulness,  
gentleness and self  
control (Galatians 5:22)*



### Prayer for the week

*ICEL Opening Prayers*

Father most holy, look upon this people whom you have  
sanctified by the dying and rising of your Son.

Keep us one in love and consecrate us in your truth, that the  
new life you have given us may bring us to the fullness of joy.

### Acknowledgements (Music - CALAMUS Licence)

*Scripture Readings – Jerusalem Bible (1964) DLT*

*Excerpts from the Roman Missal (3<sup>rd</sup> edn) – ICEL*

*Gospel Acclamation Bernadette Farrell*

*Gloria & Acclamations - New Celtic Liturgy – Chris Walker*

*Processional – HF Lyte Preparation – D Bilbrough*

*Communion Procession – Joe Wise Thanksgiving A Conway*

*Recessional – J P Lecot*

## OUR PARISH FINANCES

**THANK YOU for your generous weekly offering :£1451.94**

**Second Collection today for Mass Media**

**300 Club (April)**

£100 Stephen Doherty (245)      £30 Liam Cassidy (63)

£10 Jackie Burns (223)      £10 Susan McGroary (148)

£10 Linda Graves (125)      £10 Bill Curry (205)

**WINDOWS+ FUND now £29,765.10**

Thanks for £480.67 from currency exchange and home boxes.

**We have already spent £57,914.75** *We need to finish the  
electrical works, CCTV and replace the bell system.*

**'Home Collection Boxes'** in the Narthex. Any full yet?

**WINDOWS+ FUND** Can you help with any unwanted foreign  
currency, or old pre Euro coins? Donate now in an envelope at  
the shop. We are also looking for gold, silver and jewellery.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

### DIOCESAN YEAR of PRAYER & VOCATION

FRIDGE MAGNETS in the shop @ £1 only.

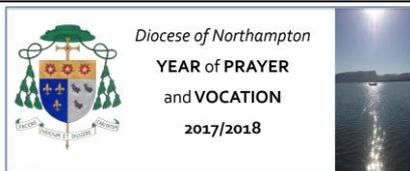
BOOKMARKS available for your prayer each day!

Have you learned the PRAYER of St Richard for the year?

# LITURGY & SACRAMENT

COLLECT YOUR *MY DAY BY DAY* – TODAY!!!

## TIME FOR PRAYER



*This month's theme* : Pray for those to be confirmed, all confirmed and their vocation within the church

**POPE FRANCIS asks you to pray with him in May for the Mission of the Laity** - That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today[[www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org)]

### PRAY FOR ALL ON OUR PRAYER BOARD

- Add your requests there for your particular intentions

**PRAY for ALL OUR SICK and HOUSEBOUND** and all whose names are on the Prayer Board. Ask Sister Teresa to visit any parishioner who is sick at home in hospital [755917].

Contact Fr Kevin directly if you want him to come and anoint someone by celebrating the Sacrament of the Sick.

**PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEAD** to know God's mercy.

Those who died recently, and whose funerals we are to keep : *Tommy Burns, Funeral 29 May 6pm, 30 May 10am.*

*Teresa Bonnacci, Father Stephen McGuinness of our diocese*

### Fr Kevin's Diary

Monday – Diocesan Liturgy Commission, Luton

Tuesday – Data Protection meetings, Luton

Wednesday – National Directors of RE, London

Thursday – Head Teachers Blessing Mass, Prince Risborough

Friday – International English Liturgical Consultation

### New SOUP KITCHEN ROTAS now available



### ADOREMUS – the Eucharistic Congress for the Catholic Church in England & Wales – Liverpool – September 7, 8, 9

Friday - Talks & workshops, mainly for catechists, eucharistic ministers and R.E. teachers.

**Saturday** - Presentations: the Nuncio, Cardinal Nichols, Bishop Robert Barron [Los Angeles]

**Sunday 9 September: Mass in Liverpool Cathedral and Outdoor Eucharistic Procession.** Please contact Catherine Bolam (07789 243 453), our parish coordinator, if you are interested

# OUR PARISH DIARY

Sunday 13 May - Luton Diversity Day Event by Bedfordshire Police Community Cohesion Champions = see noticeboard

Saturday 19 May - Have fun watching the royal wedding and the FA Cup final, **then come and celebrate with the parish at our Pentecost BBQ and disco!** Bring your own drinks and enjoy great food and entertainment. Doors open at 7.30pm, £5 per ticket (£3 for under 12s)

**3 June- Open Air Corpus Christi Procession** 3pm at St Joseph's Gardenia Ave, especially for our FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION Families.

**2-9 June MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE** 7 nights £589. For more details contact Mary Gillespie on 01582 579120

**9 June DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** with Bishop Peter – Theme : *Woman who followed him*

**22-26 August WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** in Dublin with Pope Francis. If you are interested in attending the event go to [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

**LOURDES 2018 – Parish Pilgrimage** with Aylesbury - 10-15 September [4\* - from £590] Contact Biagio Patalano 07980222620 or ask via the Parish Office. This is always a great occasion for prayer, spiritual refreshment and sharing friendship together

### EUCARISTIC MINISTERS – urgent notice!!!

1. If you want a refresher course please book in for **23 May & 6, 13 June** Training course for Lay Minister of the Eucharist 7.30pm-9pm here at the RE Centre.

2. All ministers should try to be at **16 June Reflection morning for Lay Ministers of the Eucharist** 10.30am-1pm here at the RE Centre.

Book now via Parish Office – or check leaflets . - it is imperative that you wash the dish [paten/ciborium] with water which you then pour into the chalice to drink - please make sure you tick yourself off on the rota before Mass. If you are on duty move forward at the Sign of Peace. In that way we can see if there are any ministers missing. Then we can judge if we need additional ministers.

**VACANCIES at St Martin de Porres Catholic NURSERY** for children born between 01.09.2014 and 31.08.2015. Contact Miss Blackwood . tel 617600 email [admin@smdpluton.co.uk](mailto:admin@smdpluton.co.uk)

Pope Francis issued on April 10 his latest Apostolic Exhortation : **GAUDETE ET EXULTATE** [Rejoice and be glad] find the full text at [Vatican.va/gaudete et exultate](http://Vatican.va/gaudete-et-exultate) – here is another extract

*There are plenty more wise words to read from the Holy Father in the complete document*

122. Far from being timid, morose, acerbic or melancholy, or putting on a dreary face, the saints are joyful and full of good humour. Though completely realistic, they radiate a positive and hopeful spirit. The Christian life is "joy in the Holy Spirit" (Rom 14:17), for "the necessary result of the love of charity is joy; since every lover rejoices at being united to the beloved... the effect of charity is joy". Having received the beautiful gift of God's word, we embrace it "in much affliction, with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit". If we allow the Lord to draw us out of our shell and change our lives, then we can do as Saint Paul tells us:

"Rejoice in the Lord always; I say it again, rejoice!"...127..... Saint Francis of Assisi lived by this; he could be overwhelmed with gratitude before a piece of hard bread, or joyfully praise God simply for the breeze that caressed his face.

128. This is not the joy held out by today's individualistic and consumerist culture. Consumerism only bloats the heart. It can offer occasional and passing pleasures, but not joy. Here I am speaking of a joy lived in communion, which shares and is shared, since "there is more happiness in giving than in receiving" and "God loves a cheerful giver". Fraternal love increases our capacity for joy, since it makes us capable of rejoicing in the good of others: "Rejoice with those who rejoice". "We rejoice when we are weak and you are strong". On the other hand, when we "focus primarily on our own needs, we condemn ourselves to a joyless existence.