



Pentecost Sunday - Year A

23rd/24th May 2026

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 23 9.30am 10.15am 6pm	Paulina Folake Badejo HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS Zeferino & Elvira Ribeiro	RIP (A) INT RIP (A)
Sun 24 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Raymond Crosby Lobo Madeline Margaret McGillicuddy Patricia Doreen Garle Boleslaw & Jan Matusik	RIP RIP RIP RIP
Mon 25 10.00am	Emilia Fernandes	T ^R GIVING
Tue 26 9.30am 7pm	Felipe Alib Varian Godinho – Birthday	RIP T ^R GIVING
Wed 27 9.30am	Sr Nora Gorman	INT
Thur 28 9.30am	Mr & Mrs Layton	RIP
Fri 29 9.30am 7pm	Frankie Hughes Joe Gonsalves	RIP GOOD HEALTH
Sat 30 9.30am 6pm	Frank Macken Barbara Light	RIP (A) RIP
Sun 31 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	People of the Parish McQueen & Sangita Pinto – 25 th W/A Tia Dourado Sharifah Naigaga	INT T ^R GIVING INT T ^R GIVING

Sanctuary Lamp is lit in Birthday Thanksgiving for Raphael Danladi

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturday 10.15am-11.15am
 Confessions: Saturday 4pm-5pm; Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri 9.10am
 Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am; St Anthony Devotion: Tues 10am
 Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am
 Sacred Heart Devotion First Friday 10am
 Charismatic Prayer & Intercessory Group: 3rd & 4th Saturday 7pm
 Polish Mass: Every Sunday 1pm
 Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sun 2.30pm
 Filipino Mass: 4th Sat 2.30pm
 Nigerian Mass: 4th Sun 2.30pm

Dear Friends, every child is innocent and pure at birth, their mind a blank slate. Children have no idea what hatred is, pride, discord, or any other vices. A child's future is influenced mainly by what they witness in adults, including the ideals we uphold, the love we display, and the language we use. Children grow into what surrounds them. If they grow around peace, they learn peace. If they grow around kindness, they learn kindness. If they grow around faith, they learn faith. On the other hand, if the world around them is filled with anger, selfishness, and confusion, that leaves its mark. Therefore, the greatest gift adults can give the next generation is not money, status, or comfort, it is good example. It is strongly advised that adults live good lives; to show love to others and to God, and this will have an impact on children's character in future. Just like we say children hold the key to the future, so do those who raise them. In our world today, aside the lifestyle of adults, Children are also impacted by the social media. Social media has undoubtedly made it easier to share information and connect with others. However, the same social media is inundated with misinformation, unholy videos, and insults spread by adults at lightning speed. This corrupts the minds of children. Therefore, it is incumbent on parents to monitor their children's activities online. Adults also, in charity, should exercise restraint on what they share on the social media.

With my prayers and best wishes
Fr Andrew

MAY BANK HOLIDAY - On **Monday 25th May**, Mass will be at 10am, with Morning Prayer at 9.40am.

REST IN PEACE - We pray for the repose of the soul of Manuel Pais Da Cunha. Funeral details on the notice board. May he rest in eternal peace

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

**Mon, Wed, Thur: 10.00am–12noon & Fri: 12.30-2.30pm
Tues, Sat & Sun: Office Closed**

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Year A)

Today: Pentecost Sunday p.279
Morning Prayer Week 4

Next week: The Most Holy Trinity Yr A Vol 2 p.81

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Philip Neri (1515-1595) Feast Day: May 26
 Founder of the Congregation of the Oratory
"He who is unable to spend a long time together in prayer, should often lift up his mind to God by short prayers."

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CATECHESIS CORNER

Having already reflected on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we now begin our journey through the second of the Church's two sacraments of healing: the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. From the outset, it is important to clarify that this sacrament is not simply 'the Last Rites,' as is commonly misunderstood. While it does include prayers and rites for those nearing death, its primary focus is the pastoral care of the sick and the strengthening grace given to those suffering from illness (CCC 1511). Instituted by the Lord Jesus himself, the sacrament is clearly witnessed to in the New Testament, particularly in the Letter of St James (5:14-15): 'Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.' Here we immediately see the close connection between the Anointing of the Sick and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The practice of anointing the sick with blessed oil, however, reaches back even further into ancient times (CCC 1512). Sacred Scripture reminds us that 'the man of the Old Testament lives his sickness in the presence of God. It is before God that he laments his illness, and it is of God, Master of life and death, that he implores healing.' This understanding becomes even clearer when we consider that "illness and suffering have always been among the gravest problems confronted in human life. In illness, [a person] experiences powerlessness, [their] limitations and finitude" (CCC 1500). For this reason, it is vital that we explore, promote, and celebrate this beautiful and transformative sacrament — a profound gift of healing, strength, and grace given to us by the Lord Jesus.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION The Parish Community of Corpus Christi, Tring joyfully invites you to celebrate the Mass of Thanksgiving for the 50th Anniversary of Ordination of Rev. Father John Byrne. **Date: 28th June 2026**
Time: 10.30am Please see notice board for more details.

THURSDAY 28TH MAY CHURCH ACCESS LIMITED As we can see, it is time for our trees to be pruned and this will take place throughout the day on Thursday 28th May, whilst the school is on half-term break. As a result, there will be even further limited parking that day, due to the machinery used by the tree surgeons, and access to the church will be via the ramp between the Presbytery and the Parish Hall. Please do be careful on site this day and please only visit the Parish Office for emergencies.

CHILDREN AT MASS Parents and Guardians thank you for bringing your children to Mass and to the Lord. It is important that we all help in the formation of each other, helping children to understand that they have an important place and role in the Church and in the parish. If you have a baby that needs to be fed during Mass, please do not hesitate to feed them, even if this means in your seat. Toddlers and older children are at the age of being taught more and more about Mass, as best we can, encouraging them not to eat during Mass so that they can transition to the 'fast' later on in their lives. If your child cries, please do not worry; it is their contribution to the Mass and, perhaps, even telling us priests and deacons to shorten our homilies! If you feel your child is getting irritable or distracted, again, do not worry, please use a soft toy to distract them or, if needed, please do take them to the porch or outside to settle them down, but remember to come back in, come back to your church home. One request I have is that we teach our children the difference between the beauty and sacredness of church and the role of a school playground, for example, making sure they do not hurt themselves by running around, tripping over, and please do not let the children go near the candle stands. I have often found that having the children close to you and close to the front of the church not only helps them focus on everything that is happening on the Sanctuary, it also keeps them interested, distraction-free. So, again, we welcome you and your families for as full a participation at Mass as possible. Parents and Guardians, you are the first and best teachers of the faith, and we encourage you and support you in your vocation.

ALMS GROUP (APPRECIATE AND LEARN MUSIC THROUGH SINGING) Are hosting a concert 1st June 7.30. For more information, please see the notice board.

SAFEGUARDING IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF US ALL It is important that we all, as a parish family, commit to positive safeguarding, remembering that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. It is so important to look out for each other, to care for each other and to safeguard each other. If you have any concerns regarding the safety or wellbeing of a child or vulnerable adult please see the information in the porch, on the parish Safeguarding notice board, on what to do and where to reach out for help. If you have an immediate concern and you believe a child or vulnerable adult is at immediate risk, our responsibility is to seek the help of the Police, calling 999. We also have our parish Safeguarding Reps, Marinha and Victor, who are a valuable resource, as well as the parish clergy and team. Please do not hesitate to be in contact if you have any concerns or questions.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING Is an important tool for keeping up-to-date and fresh with safeguarding strategies and developments. Many of us undertake safeguarding training aligned with our employment, volunteering and other commitments, and the Church also offers free online safeguarding training, with new materials currently available from the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA). Whilst this training is available to all, and I would encourage as many parishioners as possible to undertake this online training, it is mandatory for clergy, staff and volunteers. Please use one of the two links below to complete training as soon as possible, and if you are new to online training from the CSSA, once you have accessed the links, please choose the 'REGISTER FOR FREE' button to proceed. Please inform the parish office when you have completed your training, including the role you undertake in the parish, for our records.

1. Clergy, Trustees, Employees and DBS Volunteers.

<https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/course/westminsterarc-hdiocese>

2. Volunteers without DBS:

<https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/course/safeguarding-for-volunteers-in-the-catholic-church-13>

DEANERY VOCATIONS MASS WITH FATHER MIKE On **Sunday the 31st May, 6pm** at St Michael & St Martin, Hounslow, Father Mike will celebrate a Mass for vocations, followed by a gathering of those interested in knowing more about vocation to the priesthood especially, with a sharing of his testimony and Q&A's to follow. Please do come along, with family and friends, and celebrate the gift of vocation.

CONTINUING THE JOURNEY Talk and Mass for New Catholics will take place this year at Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday 20th June, from 4pm, with Mass at 6pm.** If you would like to attend, please register via catadmin@rcdow.org.uk

UPPER ROOM LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME The Upper Room Leadership Programme will take participants on a journey of profound discovery and formation, both practical and spiritual. Its aim is simple: to form young Catholic leaders and to give them the tools necessary to lead young people in their parishes. It has been a positive experience last year for one of our parishioners who has completed the programme, so, if you are interested, please see the church notice board or use this link <https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/outreach/upper-room-leadership-programme/>

VOLUNTEERING IN PARKS This is an initiative run by the Hounslow Borough Council and Our Countryside Rangers inviting local people to care for their local green space, as well as helping communities build new skills, connecting with others, improving health and wellbeing. The Feltham Arena site meet at Gate on Helen Avenue, TW14 9LA, every **third Friday of the month, 10am-12noon.** For more information, please email countryside@hounslow.gov.uk

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

16th-17th May Loose: £2,139.90 (incl. Ascension & FHC),
Envelopes: £315.00 Total: £2,454.90 PTF: £50 Easter: £20

HSBC BANK ACCOUNT NAME: WRCDT FELTHAM
Account Number: 71095528 Sort Code: 40-05-20

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