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Veni, Sancte Spiritus, Et emitte caelitus Lucis tuae radium.

Veni, pater pauperum, Veni, dator munerum, Veni, lumen cordium.



Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial height, Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure, Come, thou light of all that live.

Services for the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time (OF) – Pentecost & its Octave (EF) 19th – 25th May 2024 Mary's Month of May

Saturday 18th May, Vigil of Sunday

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm

Peter de Bono RIP

Sunday 19th May, The Solemnity of Pentecost - Whitsunday (OF, EF)

Holy Mass, 8.00 am Solemn Mass, 10.30 am Holy Mass, 12.00 noon (Extraord. Form) Ann Marshall RIP Fr Philip Bochanski (25th anniversary) The People of the Parish

Monday 20th May, Mary, the Mother of the Church (OF) - Whit Monday (EF)

Holy Mass, 9.30 am Dominique Barrett RIP

Tuesday 21st May, Ss. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs (OF) - Whit Tuesday (EF)

Holy Mass, 9.30 am Fr Vincent Lucas RIP

Wednesday 22nd May, St Rita of Cascia, Widow (OF) – Whit Wednesday (Ember Day) (EF)

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)

Angela Griffiths RIP

Thursday 23rd May, The Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest (OF) - Whit Thursday (EF)

Holy Mass, 9.30 am

Fr Andrew Pinsent

Holy Hour & Confessions, 4.00 – 5.00 pm, Benediction, 5 pm

Friday 24th May, Feria (OF) – Whit Friday (Ember Day) (EF)

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form) Fr Philip Endean SJ, RIP

Saturday 25th May, St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor (OF) - Whit Saturday (Ember Day) (EF)

Confirmation Mass, 10.30 am NB: Later Mass time this week only

The candidates

NB: Holy Hour & Confessions cancelled this week only

Saturday 25th May, Vigil of Sunday

Confessions, 5.15 pm
Holy Mass, 6.00 pm
Margaret Soden RIP

Sunday 26th May, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (OF, EF)

Holy Mass, 8.00 am Rex Baker RIP

Solemn Mass, 10.30 am

The People of the Parish

Father John writes:

Advance Notice: Second Collections

16th June - Day for Life

23rd June - Second Century Fund

30th June – Peter's Pence

This Saturday: Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered this Saturday, 25th, by Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, parish priest of Henley and Episcopal Vicar for Oxfordshire.

Advance Notice: First Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion Mass will be on Saturday 1st June at 10.30 am. Sebastian will make his First Holy Communion on Sunday 26th May at the 10.30 Solemn Mass. Please pray for our Confirmation candidates and First Holy Communicants.

Advance Notice: Corpus Christi Procession

The North Oxford Deanery Corpus Christi Procession will begin from the Oratory at 2.30 pm on Sunday 2nd June.

One Million Roses for Our Lady

At each of her apparitions, Our Lady explicitly asked: *My dear children, pray the Rosary.* So let's answer her request! During the month of May, on the *Rosario* app of the *Hozana* organization, each decade prayed is transformed into a spiritual rose. Once a million decades are reached, *Hozana* will deliver thousands of real roses to Our Lady at the world's most visited Marian shrine, Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico. The flowers will symbolize the prayers offered up, in faith and love, to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary for the needs of the Church and our poor broken world. Here's the link for sending spiritual roses to Mary: https://urlz.fr/qnTy

Care Not Killing

In a society where disabled people are often told they are 'better off dead', and where the media are relentlessly promoting euthanasia and assisted suicide, Liz Carr (herself profoundly disabled) asks: 'Should we really be giving more power to end that group of people's lives?'. This compelling programme was shown on BBC 1 on 14th May, and is now available on iPlayer. It eloquently presents the pro-life arguments against assisted suicide and euthanasia, which are rarely heard in the media, and is well worth watching.

Mass Intentions

Asking for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be offered for anyone, living or dead, is a beautiful and powerful act of faith, hope, and charity. If you would like a Holy Mass offered, please use one of the little brown envelopes in the narthex, fill in the details, add your offering, and return through the Presbytery letter-box or collection plate.

The Food Larder

Thank you to all those contributing items each week. Please continue to donate dry goods, and toiletries, using the boxes in the narthex and Presbytery porch.

Please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East, and don't forget Ukraine and Sudan!

Please pray for the sick and housebound

His Majesty The King, HRH The Princess of Wales, Anne-Marie, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Jane Brownson, Ela Bulewicz, Olive Clarke, Paul Conway, Maureen Dalton, Mike Hall, Aneta Gawrysiak, Joyann Green, Sr. Joseph Andrew OP, Jill Kelly, Emily Long, Elsie Michaud, Fiona McLaren, Anne Morris, Alice Murphy, Jill Pinnock, Catherine Scott-Yeomans, Joy Smith, Fr Frank Sofie, Malcolm Spicer, Matthew Spicer, Evelyn Watkin, Anthea Watson, and Dennis White.

Please pray for the faithful departed

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially Sharon Power-Hartley, who died recently, and for Giovanna Maria Checchia, Albert Conway, Patrick Doyle, Clifford Bernard Guiste, Betty Johnson, Margaret Elizabeth Kenny, Jane Mary Sholl, Margaret Agnes Soden, Fernando Valencia, and Lisa Helena Zarecky, who have anniversaries at this time.

+ Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.



Our Lady truly smiled on us for the May Procession, bringing many graces. The sun shone, the church was full, our roses filled the Lady chapel, after Benediction a veritable mountain of cake was consumed, and our many children had fun on the lawn.