

THE PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, 4th June

Bring a dish (salad, main course, dessert) to share
Pimm's Cups and soft drinks for sale
Activities for children, tombola, musical
entertainment
Behind the church, starting after the 9.30 Mass and
continuing into the late afternoon
Everyone welcome – bring a friend!

Fr Michael Beattie Memorial Mass

A memorial Mass will take place for the late Fr Michael Beattie SJ at Farm Street Church at 6pm on Tuesday 13th June. Many of you will remember Fr Beattie, who served as parish priest at Farm Street from 1991 to 1998. Please do mark this date in your diary. The Mass will be followed by refreshments in the Arrupe Hall.

Westminster Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Want to travel by train to Lourdes with Westminster Diocese this summer?

Book now!

Train travel costs £820 per person (sharing) and includes transfers, travel and full board hotel accommodation. Leaving from and returning to London Kings Cross St Pancras Station.

Every year, hundreds of pilgrims from the many parishes in the Diocese of Westminster journey together to Lourdes to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes. With the kindness of volunteers, the group is able to support over 100 pilgrims who are sick, disabled, frail or elderly and need help to make the journey. When we make this pilgrimage, our faith is visible and active service to one other as we come to the waters and invigorate our commitment to respond to the message of Our Lady to St Bernadette.

The Pilgrimage will be led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols and is from 21st to 28th July 2023. For more information and to book, visit www.rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/.

Prayer Vigil for Migrants and Refugees

June 19th 2023 12.30-1.30pm, Opposite HOME OFFICE, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF

Join us to pray for ♦ those who have died trying to reach the UK, ♦ the many victims of current wars ♦ asylum seekers in detention centres, and those who are homeless ♦ Those who struggle to inject welcome and humanity into our legislation. We invite you to join us every third Monday of the month, remembering those who have died, and praying for those who are struggling for safety. Contact us for the prayer resources:
barbarakentish11@gmail.com or
johanmaertens@hotmail.com

Outing to Kew Garden

All are welcome to join the Farm Street Parish Outing to Kew Gardens on Thursday 1st June, 11am-4pm. We will be accompanied by the Westminster Justice and Peace Co-ordinator, Colette Joyce. We will visit the Plants of the Qur'an exhibition in the morning with time to explore the gardens in the afternoon. Please purchase your own tickets in advance via the Kew website (there are different pricing options) or on arrival. The meeting point is just inside the ticket barriers at the Victoria Gate entrance at 11.00am where we will begin and end the day with prayers. You can bring a picnic or buy food in the café for lunch. Please email Fr Dominic or the office to let us know you are coming or just join us on the day.

Welcoming the Stranger – Information Session for JRS UK's At Home Hosting Scheme 30th May 7pm

Have you thought about welcoming a refugee? In an increasingly hostile environment, the compassionate human encounter which forms the basis of the Jesuit Refugee Service UK hosting scheme is transformative. We know that opening your home and community to welcome a stranger can be a daunting prospect. JRS UK's 'At Home' scheme is designed to prepare hosts and guests in advance of the hosting placement, with support delivered by a dedicated Accommodation Team continuing throughout.

If you're interested in learning more about hosting a refugee, please join us for an information session on Tuesday 30th May at 7pm in the Arrupe Hall. For more information, please visit: <https://www.jrsuk.net/news/information-session-for-jrs-uks-at-home-hosting-scheme/>

A Day with Mary

When: Saturday 10th June 2023

Where: St Scholastica, Kenninghall Road, Clapton
9:30am Entry procession of Our Lady. Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany.

10.00am Mass in honour of Our Lady. Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Michael Ogunyinka. The Five Joyful Mysteries.

11.45am Lunch break *Please bring a packed lunch*
12.45pm Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The Five Luminous Mysteries. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Charles Soyombo. The Five Sorrowful Mysteries. Silent adoration.

3.00pm Tea break

3.45pm Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Neil Bett. The Five Glorious Mysteries. Act of Consecration. Benediction. Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and Miraculous Medal.

Finish at 5.15pm. Throughout the day: Confession and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



Pentecost Sunday 28th May 2023

PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest
Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8am, 1.05pm, & 6pm
Saturday: 8am & 6pm
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am (Family), 11am (Latin),
12.30pm, 5.30pm, & 7pm (Young Adult, 18-35)

All Masses can be viewed on our livestreaming page <https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday to Friday: 12 noon to 1pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday: 12 noon – 12.55pm
Saturday: 10am to 12 noon; 5.45pm – 5.55pm
Sunday: Fifteen minutes before every Mass
Also by appointment

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday: 7.30am - 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am – 7.00pm

Monday 29th May is a Bank Holiday, and so the church will open at 11am and close at 2pm. 1.05pm Mass only. Exposition and confessions as normal.

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ENTRY

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

RESPONSE

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

ACCLAMATION

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.

COMMUNION

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



REGINA CAELI ADDRESS

Today, we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, in which the liturgy has us relive the birth of the Church, according to what St Luke narrates in the book of the Acts of the Apostles (2: 1-13). Fifty days after Easter, the Holy Spirit descended on the community of disciples - "with one accord devoted themselves to prayer" - gathered with "Mary, the mother of Jesus" and with the Twelve Apostles (cf. Acts 1: 14; 2: 1). We can therefore say that the Church had its solemn beginning with the descent of the Holy Spirit.

In this extraordinary event we find the essential and qualifying characteristics of the Church: the Church is one, like the community at Pentecost, who were united in prayer and "concordant": "were of one heart and soul" (Acts 4: 32).

The Church is holy, not by her own merits, but because, animated by the Holy Spirit, she keeps her gaze on Christ, to become conformed to him and to his love.

The Church is catholic, because the Gospel is destined for all peoples, and for this, already at the beginning, the Holy Spirit made her speak all languages.

The Church is apostolic, because, built upon the foundation of the Apostles, she faithfully keeps their teaching through the uninterrupted chain of episcopal succession.

What is more, the Church by her nature is missionary, and from the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit does not cease to move her along the ways of the world to the ends of the earth and to the end of time.

This reality, which we can verify in every epoch, is already anticipated in the Book of Acts, where the Gospel passage from the Hebrews to the pagans, from Jerusalem to Rome, is described. Rome represents the pagan world, and hence, all people who are outside of the ancient People of God. Actually, Acts concludes with the arrival of the Gospel to Rome.

It can be said, then, that Rome is the concrete name of catholicity and missionary spirit, it expresses fidelity to the origins, to the Church of all times, to a Church that speaks all languages and extends herself to all cultures.

Dear brothers and sisters, the first Pentecost took place when Mary Most Holy was present amid the disciples in the Upper Room in Jerusalem and prayed. Today, too, let us entrust ourselves to her maternal intercession, so that the Holy Spirit may descend in abundance upon the Church in our day,

fill the hearts of all the faithful and enkindle in them the fire of his love.

Pope Benedict XVI

From the archives. Delivered to St Peter's Square on the 27th May, 2007.

Liturgical Calendar

Sun: Pentecost Sunday
Mon: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tue: Feria
Wed: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thu: Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest
Fri: Feria; Ss Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs (*Friday abstinence*)
Sat: St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs
Sun: Trinity Sunday

Daily Readings

Sun: Acts 2:1-11; I Corinthians 12:3-13; John 20:19-23
Mon: Genesis 3:9-20; John 19:25-34
Tue: Ecclesiastics 35:2-15; Mark 10:28-31
Wed: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-56
Thu: Genesis 22:9-18; Matthew 26:36-42
Fri: Ecclesiasticus 44:1-13; Mark 11:11-26
Sat: Ecclesiasticus 51:17-27; Mark 11:27-33
Sun: Exodus 34:4-9; II Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:18-18

9.30am Mass Hymns

Entrance	303	Come down, O love divine
Offertory	302	Breathe on me breath of God
Communion	296	Come Holy Ghost
Recessional	466	All people that on earth do dwell

11am Mass Music List

Prelude	Komm Heiliger Geist (BWV651)	<i>JS Bach</i>
Mass	Jubelmesse	<i>Weber</i>
Motets	Factus est repente	<i>Aichinger</i>
	Choral varié sur Veni creator	<i>Duruflé</i>
Postlude	Final (sur Veni creator)	<i>Duruflé</i>

Sunday Refreshments

Refreshments are normally served in the Arrupe Hall after the 9.30am, 11am and 5.30pm Sunday Masses (second & fourth Sunday only for 5.30pm).

'My Son Carlo'

An evening with Antonia Salzano Acutis, mother of Blessed Carlo. With adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction led by Bishop Nicholas Hudson. There will also be an opportunity to venerate a relic of Blessed Carlo. At Farm Street Church on Wednesday 31st May, 7.30pm-9.30pm

A Lamp For Our Lady

To give honour to Our Lady, a lamp burns before her statue in the sanctuary. A 7-day lamp is lit every Saturday, the day traditionally devoted to the Blessed Virgin, and burns throughout the week. An offering of £10 is requested to light this lamp, the intention of which will be printed every week in the Newsletter or may be kept anonymous (e.g. 'An anonymous donor for a private intention'). Please email the Parish Secretary (FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk) with your requested week and intention as well as how you wish it to be published.

The lamp this week is lit for the intention of a property being sold in a timely fashion.

Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Marie Carroll Copestake, Christian Engelhart, Asoka Fernando, Lady Antonia Fraser, Erin Lillis, Nikhin, Laura Marani, Robert McCormack, Helen Murphy, Millon Nigusie, Mrs Katerina Porter, Sarah Esparza Regalado, George Tabor, Nick Walker, Francis Walsh, Natalie Williams & Michael Wymes
The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health. Psalm 41:3
 We pray for those in the parish who have recently died. *Requiescant in pace*

Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone helpline service. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, it has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although not a counselling service, the helpline is staffed by a professional team of volunteers who are trained to signpost callers to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. Operating three days a week from 4pm-7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free on **0800 448 0704** For further information please email us at Catholiclisteners@gmail.com.

Catholic Listeners are here to listen.



The London Jesuit Centre is a place for the teaching and discussion of theology, the study and practice of the spiritual life, and engagement with issues of social and environmental justice, for the greater glory of God and the common good. It offers a programme of events, courses, and retreats. It is also a centre for individual spiritual direction and training and professional development in spiritual accompaniment. All are welcome to participate in the London Jesuit Centre programme.

Below is a sampling of some upcoming events. For more information and to sign up to their mailing list for regular updates on events, please visit

www.londonjesuitcentre.org.

For more information, contact Federica Fiore at ffiore@jesuit.org.uk or on 020 7529 4844.

Space for Thought: Love

Saturday, 3 June 2023

1:00pm - 5:00pm

London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street

In Space for Thought, we look at love. Everyone seems to agree that love is important. But do really we know what love is? And if we do know, where does this knowledge come from? As well as being a topic for playwrights, poets, songwriters and theologians, love has returned as a theme for serious philosophical reflection in the past couple of decades.

One important question of how we are to make sense of the relationship between love and morality? It may seem that love of particular people pulls away from the impartial, universal demands of morality. But equally, many people understand their moral lives in terms of the highest command, to love one another. This brings another question into view: what is love, if it can be commanded? How does obeying this command relate to the kinds of feelings we normally have in view when we talk about love - because it is hard to see how we can be commanded to feel something. Finally, of course, we might also want to ask the biggest question of all: what it means to say that God is love?

So in this event we will take time to reflect on a range of sources, and in a range of modes. Just as St Augustine asked 'what do I love, when I love my God?', we will ask 'what is happening when I love, and when I am found by love?', in the hope that the head might learn what the heart already knows.

For more information and to book, visit www.londonjesuitcentre.org.