OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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20th May 2018

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

"Lord, send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth"

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My dear brothers and sisters,

On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the wonderful good news that the risen Lord has poured out his Spirit upon us, first of all to convince us of his victory over sin and death, and then to enable us to continue his work of salvation by our own love and concern for others. As we can well imagine, the disciples were filled with fear and foreboding after the death of their master. But suddenly Jesus is there among them radiant with life. He shows them his terrible wounds, which have now become beautiful emblems of his love for them. He offers them his peace—that deep, calm, resonant sense of confidence, which is so different from the peace that the world can offer—a superficial peace that amounts to little more than a temporary cessation of hostilities. This profound peace becomes possible through the presence of his Spirit in them.

As fragile human beings, we know the experience of living in fear and of being anxious and worried about many things, some of which exist only in our imagination. Jesus, having absorbed the ultimate violence, offers us his peace and thereby enables us to be confident and joyful in the face of even severe uncertainty and threat.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

<u>SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST – YEAR B</u>

(Vigil Mass) Sunday 20 th May	5.30pm 9.00am 11.00am	Sharlene and Rob Brown People of the Parish Christine Kenny and Family	
Monday 21 st	9.15am	(8.55am Morning Prayer)	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday 22 nd		No Mass	
Wednesday 23 rd	9.15am 7.00pm	(8.55am Morning Prayer) Vigil for Brian Boyle R.I.P	Lorraine Heppel R.I.P
Thursday 24 th	9.15am	Requiem Mass for Brian Boyle R.I.P	
Friday 25 th	7.30pm	Rosaleen O'Donnell	
Saturday 26 th	9.00am	Bernadette Munro R.I.P + Exposition	Confessions: 11.00am-11.30am

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR B

(Vigil Mass)	5.30pm	Rogers family Intentions
Sunday 27 th	9.00am	Mary Kenny R.I.P
May	11.00am	People of the Parish

IN MEMORIAM: Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of Brian Boyle R.I.P and Valerie Wall R.I.P who died recently. May they rest in peace.

PART TIME PAID GARDENING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORK: Following retirements and end of contracts, the parish now has a need for someone to look after the grounds. This is envisaged to be about 3-4 hours once a fortnight. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the parish office. It would be helpful if work could start as soon as possible.

'ADOREMUS' – **EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS:** On 7-9 September, over 10,000 people will gather in Liverpool for a most wonderful and historic event, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress (Adoremus). The Congress is an initiative of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales to create a special opportunity to reflect on the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of the Church. The central theme of the Congress is to explore the meaning and power of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and to encourage all parishes to offer people the opportunity to adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. There are over 200 people from our Archdiocese booked to attend the Eucharistic Congress in September, but it is not too late to be part of this historic event. A number of tickets are available for the Saturday when the focus will be the meaning and power of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please visit the diocesan website <u>www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</u> for the full programme and a booking form for Saturday 8th September.

OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE PRE-SCHOOL: There are a small number of vacancies remaining for September 2018. Please call or email for an application form or to arrange a visit. Tel. 07474 743744, email: <u>ourladyofthewaysidepreschool@gmail.com</u> or visit the website: www.OLOWPreschool.com

FRIDAY CLUB: Next meeting is Friday, 25th May, at 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. We welcome two ladies who will give a short talk on 'Care of our Eyes'. On **Friday**, 29th **June** we welcome some children from OLW School who are doing a project on World War 1 and would appreciate some help from our members. **Friday**, 27th **July** a Prosecco, Tea and Strawberries Afternoon on the grass area outside the centre (weather permitting). This is open to Senior Parishioners. **No meeting in August**.

WANTED – NEW LEADERS FOR CUBS: At the end of this term our main leaders, Laura, Claire and Sarah, will be standing down from running Cubs. We therefore need new cub leaders to take over in September. Our cub pack is very dynamic and enjoys all sorts of adventurous activities such as canoeing, camping, skiing, craft activities, trips etc. Running cubs is exciting, enjoyable and immensely satisfying and is an opportunity for you or friends to take on a voluntary role which can be a valuable addition to your CV when applying for jobs and progressing careers. If you are interested or have friends or work colleagues who might be interested please get in touch with Ian on 0776601145 or email <u>ianswancott@blueyonder.co.uk</u>. Training is provided by the Scout Association and you will gets lots of support from Ian and other leaders at 2nd Shirley. We need to secure the future of cubs from September onwards.

PART-TIME CLEANER REQUIRED: The Columban missionaries are looking to appoint a hardworking and reliable individual to join our small housekeeping team for 9 hours per week over three days Mon-Fri. Based at St. Columban's on Widney Manor Road, Solihull. For more details and to apply, please contact Fr. Bernie McDermott or Katie Howard on 01564 772 096 or email: <u>office@columbans.co.uk</u>. Deadline for applications is Wednesday, 23rd May.

PIETY STALL: Confirmation cards and gifts are now available. Holy Communion cards and gifts are also available but not on display.

COLLECTION: 13th May 2018. Gift Aid: £272.00; Loose: £669.66; Standing Order: £625.00. TOTAL: £1566.66

Fr. O'Mahony Trust: £87.67.

TODAY'S MASS:

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

Responsorial Psalm : Ps 103. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: St. Paul to the Galatians 5: 16-25. The fruit of the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation: R: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

The Gospel according to John 15:26-27, 16:12-15. The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth.

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

Dismissal of the Children

Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there with them, I am there with them, I am there. (sing twice)

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