

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Ann Quigley; Bernie Leonard; Ronald & Queenie Young
Barbara Earner; Jeanne Mullane
and all the faithful departed.

**OUR SATURDAY MORNING MASS IS OFFERED FOR
THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND**

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Saturday 30th May

SUNDAY THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	31st	6.00 pm	Ints of Jacqueline & Olan Cremin
		8.30 am	-
		10.00 am	The people of the Parish
		12 Noon	Ann Quigley & Bernie Leonard (RIP - anniv)
		6.00 pm	Intentions of Pope Leo

Monday 1st June
St Justin, Martyr

9.30 am -

Tuesday 2nd
Ss Marcellinus & Peter,
Martyrs

9.30 am **Ronald & Queenie Young (RIPanniv)**
10.30 am *Tuesday Morning Prayer Group*
2.30 pm *St Anthony Prayer Group*

Wednesday 3rd
St Charles Lwanga & comps
Martyrs

No Mass today. Church is closed.

Thursday 4th

9.30 am -
11.30 am **Funeral Mass of Jeanne Mullane (RIP)**

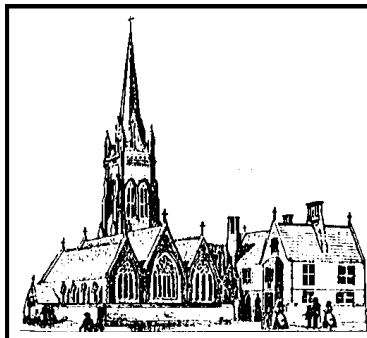
Friday 5th
St Boniface, Bishop
& Martyr

9.30 am -

Saturday 6th
10.00 am **The sick and housebound**
10.30am *Exposition and Adoration*

**CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10.30 - 11.20AM ; 5.00 - 5.40PM
OR BY ARRANGEMENT**

**THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
11AM - 3PM, (Closed on Wednesday except Holy Days)**



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Dear Friends,

Both Eastern Catholics and Eastern Orthodox continue the festivities of Pentecost for a full week following Pentecost Sunday. For many centuries the entire Church, both East and West, extended the feast of Pentecost past the Sunday that commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. It was called the "Octave of Pentecost" in the Roman Rite and the "Afterfeast of Pentecost" by Eastern Catholics and Eastern Orthodox.

In the Byzantine tradition, all major feasts of the liturgical year have what are called "afterfeasts," which are natural extensions of a particular feast. They are similar to the Roman tradition of an "octave," with the Octave of Easter as the prime example, as well of course of that of Christmas. Both octaves and afterfeasts continue the celebration, meditating on the spiritual themes of a feast for a full week.

Furthermore, fasting is not allowed during the Afterfeast of Pentecost, as it is meant to be a time of great joy and celebration, feasting instead of fasting.

For now, since the initiatives of the Second Vatican Council, our tradition has changed things and we have no Octave of Pentecost. Instead we have the Feast of Mary as Mother of the Church – last Monday – to remind us of the unity brought about at Pentecost in which Our Lady is central as she gave birth to the physical Body of Christ, and so becomes Mother to his Mystical Body, the People of God in the Holy Spirit.

Then, later in the week the Feast of Jesus Christ the Universal High Priest. All of this leads up to this Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity when, in our worship, in the power of God the Holy Spirit, and in union with Christ the risen and glorified Lord, we come to the Father anew, not just for a week, but every day.

Fr James

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN GIVING

Don't forget you can also make an offering via the 'Touch & Tap' at the door. For details of methods of Planned Giving, see the leaflet at the door of Church. Parish bank account details are below, and on the website *Donate* page.

PARISH BANK DETAILS: HSBC

Sort code: 40-05-20 Acct. No.: 11263137

Acct name: WRC DT ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY FULHAM

NEW "TAP-TO-DONATE" TABLETS: As you will see we now have new Contactless Payment terminals at both doors of church. These have many advantages over the old version **BUT** if you had registered for *Gift Aid* on the old machine you will need to register again. Sorry! No way round that one.

We are one of the first parishes to have these terminals and there are clearly some teething troubles. Please report any problems or issues with using them to Fr James. The old terminal will also remain in use for the time being whilst any issues remain. Thank you for your patience, as well as your generosity!

200 CLUB APRIL DRAW RESULTS: The results of the April Draw are as follows: Mary Millington Buck: £156.25; Douglas Miller: £31.25; Fr Dennis Touw: £31.25; Matthias Siller: £18.90; Monica Lopes: £18.90; Alexandra Barros: £18.90. Congratulations to the winners. The 200 Club is our Parish Lottery – application forms by the side door of church.

S.V.P.(SOCIETY OF St VINCENT DE PAUL): The next meeting of our new SVP Conference is on WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE at 7.30pm in No. 62.

- We are seeking to know if there are people with mobility issues who would get to church if a lift was available. Know anyone in this situation? Please contact the office or Fr James
- One project now starting is to support the "Food Hub" in our Deanery based at White City Parish. We will be Since 2017, Our Lady of Fatima Church, White City has organised the 'White City Community Food Hub'. This project also offers one-on-one advice sessions for further help & signposting regarding benefits, housing, debt and employment. Following strong demand, because some regular sources of donations are ending, our conference of the SVP here in St Thomas's is partnering with Our Lady of Fatima to provide additional food. *You can help by making donations of specific items as advertised, or even as a delivery driver. More details to follow and to be announced, and see the poster in church.*

Currently the contact telephone number for any calls to the SVP is the Parish Telephone: 020 7385 4040

EUCCHARISTIC OCTAVE & CENTRAL LONDON CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: The Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane will again be hosting a Eucharistic Octave from 30 May - 7 June. This has been organised by several London parishes to celebrate our Eucharistic Lord in the lead up to the Solemnity of Corpus Christi and includes the celebra-

tion of Masses in the various Rites of the Church and the Quarant'Ore devotions. Full details can be found at <https://catholiclondon.org>. See poster.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL HAMMERSMITH CONCERT: In aid of "one of Europe's rarest organs". Friday 19 June at 7pm. Recently discovered to be a precious survival from Paris, removed from a Sacred Heart house at a time of repression of the Church. See poster, and come to hear and see this fascinating bit of history.

WESTMINSTER YOUTH MINISTRY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT: Are you a young man aged 18–35 who enjoys a good game of football with fellow faith-filled friends? Join the Youth Ministry's Annual Men's Football Tournament for the John Paul II Cup on 6 June 2026! For info email youth@rcdow.org.uk or <https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/events/jp2-cup-2026>

St MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL, FINCHLEY OPEN EVENING: For Secondary Transfer - Weds 24 June. Parents and girls interested in entrance tests are invited to visit the school that day une between 5 - 7pm. Headteacher talks will be held at 5pm and 7pm. Priority for up to 32 places is given to girls who are registered as Pupil Premium with their primary school and meet the Catholicity criteria. Full details of the Admissions Policy can be found on the School's website St Michael's Admissions 2027-28. www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk See poster in church.

ONLINE KNIFE CRIME FORUM: *See poster for more:* This forum will bring together parishes, schools and others to hear about existing initiatives, share ideas and encourage practical action within parishes. All welcome, whether already involved or simply wishing to listen and learn more. For more information and to register - <https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/event/knife-crime-reduction-forum-working-together-for-safer-communities/>

THE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF LARMENIER & SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Calling all former pupils, parents or carers of former pupils and current or former members of staff or governors – See poster for QR code to register as a member and reconnect with our community! Join us for our inaugural event on Friday 12 June from 7:00pm until 9:30pm! Please spread the word!

DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY (AGES 18-35): NEXT YOUNG ADULTS MASS: Tuesday 9 June 7pm at Westminster Cathedral Crypt, Victoria St, London SW1P 1LT. "Join us for our monthly diocesan Young Adult's Mass, situated in the sacred and historical crypt hidden beneath Westminster Cathedral. Come along to celebrate Holy Mass led by our youth chaplain Fr Francis, and for the opportunity to meet like-minded young Catholics and to participate in the Sacred Liturgy together.