

Solemnity of Pentecost , Year B
18th – 19th May 2024



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REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls
of:

❖ Joselyn Alves RIP

❖ Norman Whitehead RIP –
funeral in church Thursday 30th
May @ 11am.

❖ Johannes Starkhammer RIP –
funeral here in church Friday
31st May @ 1.30pm.

May their souls rest in peace and may
those who mourn them find solace.

Congratulations to April's winners

- J Moffatt
- M Naxton
- C Ranjbar



St Martin's Turns 50

St Martin's Catholic school in Caversham Park turns 50 this year. In celebration, the community are raising money towards an outdoor classroom. The children of this parish who attend the school will be doing challenges related to dancing, cycling and running, many with a theme of 50. If you would like to sponsor them please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmartins-2450>

Weekday Teas & Coffees



Tea/coffee is now happening on
Thursday mornings. Everybody
welcome.

Dates for your Diary



❖ Sunday 19 May 5pm -

Youth Club Latin American evening

❖ 9th June, 10am First
Communion Mass

❖ Sunday 16 June 5pm -
Youth Club vs Dads
Father's Day sports
evening



❖ 30th June, 10am Confirmation
Mass

❖ 7th July, 4pm Glass Ensemble
Concert



WEEKLY INCOME 4th-5th May

C'less:	£	153.00
Loose plate	£	257.64
Candles	£	40.22
Catholic Communications	£	181.96
Building Fund	£	3.00
Shop	£	8.00
Weekly S Orders:	£	835.00

Pre-loved ice cream
maker [with recipe book]
looking for a new home.
Free with a donation to
church building fund.
Ring the office for more
details or speak to Patty.



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Thank you for your support of The Weller
Centre foodbank. Their store cupboard is
very low. They are especially short of
dehydrated meals that just need hot water
added. Thanks for your help in advance.





CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal

Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis – extreme hunger. Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments as well as rebuilding water pipelines.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers.



CTC Champions Holiday Club



29th July – 2nd August, 10am-3pm in St Anne's school. For youngsters 5-11yrs. Bookings now open at <https://buytickets.at/churchestogetherincavershamholidayclub> £27 for a whole week of fun if booked before 1st May.



The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading.

The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is to us that we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath." This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiveness of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

Mass intentions for Week Seven in Ordinary Time

Pentecost Sunday

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Saturday	18 th May	4.45pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	19 th May	10.00am	Kevin Davis RIP
Monday	20 th May	9.15am	Michael Harty RIP
		[school leading]	
Tuesday	21 st May	No Mass	
Wednesday	22 nd May	6.30pm	Zygmunt Powiecki RIP
Thursday	23 rd May	11.30am	Requiem: Joslyn Alves RIP
Friday	24 th May	No Mass	

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

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Saturday	25 th May	4.45pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	Bridget MacArthur RIP
Sunday	26 th May	10.00am	People of the parish

Evening Prayer followed by the rosary is prayed before Sat Mass, approx. 4.45pm. Everybody is welcome.



OUR LADY'S LAMP

Lit this week for:

No dedication this week

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.