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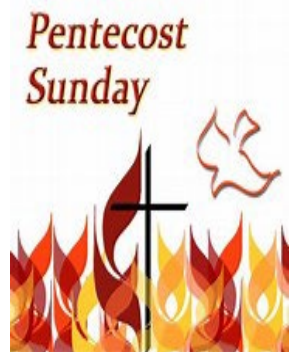
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Pentecost Sunday of Easter B

19th May 2024

Holy Mass & Services

Mon - Fri: 10am

Saturday: 10am, 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 10am, 12 Noon & 5pm

Children's Liturgy 12 Noon Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: -Mon – Sat 9am
– 9.55am

Divine Mercy Novena: Mon 2pm

Confessions: Mon - Sun 9.30am – 9.55am

Baptisms & Marriage: - To arrange a baptism or
marriage please contact Father Ghislain

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- First Reading: Acts 2: 1-11
- Responsorial Psalm: **Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth**
- Second Reading: 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13
- Gospel: Jn 20: 19-23

Weekly Collection

Please support your Parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners.

Last week's collection

First Collection: £841.94

Second Collection: £242.86

There is a second collection next weekend for our Building fund.

Thank you for your generosity.

500 Club Winners!

1st Prize R McPhee (96)

2nd Prize B McKenna (100)

3rd Prize E Jordan (249)

Please keep in your Prayers

Sick: Mary Cunningham, Sr Kathleen Owens, Peter Alexander, Alice Gallagher, Carol McGuinness, Caroline Miller, Matt Miller, John, Ann McShane & Family, Anne Wedlock McCann, Catherine McPhee, John Lannigan, Thomas Lally, Jim, Pat, Grace & Felix Dillon, Patricia McGhee, James Brown, Mathew Miller, Robert McKirdy

RIP: Tony Fagan

Month's Mind: Robert, Anthony & Isabella Clarke, James, John, Elizabeth & Isabella Docherty, Francis, Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Rose & Ann McGeehan, Catherine, & James McDonald, Sheila Kennedy, Charlotte Costello, Moira Skillin, Ann Sood, Lila Williamson, Tommy Reynolds, Thomas Tiernan, Eric Tiernan, Denis Tiernan, Thomas & Janette Tiernan, Rosemary O'Neill, Denis Leonard

Anniversaries: Teresa Mary Docherty, John Slevin, Catherine Mooney, Alice Rea, Betty McQuade, Marion McCann, David McMillan, George Ralston, Rose Tiernan, June Stewart, Gerry McNab Snr, Gerry McNab Jnr

Birthday Remembrance: Mary & Morag McKeown

Please also remember the souls who have no-one to pray for them.

Roof Works

The start of the church roof repair has been postponed until Monday 27th May.

Thank you

Many thanks to those who helped in the garden, those who decorated the church and to Jim O'Neill for painting the doors. All your help is greatly appreciated.

Reflection: Pentecost Sunday B.

Speaking the Language of love and construction.

Language is a great tool of communication. Language of itself is not enough to bring people together. In fact, words are a source of misunderstanding. Just because we use the same language doesn't mean we are one or that we understand each other. There may still not be a meeting of minds and hearts. But the opposite can happen too. People may speak different languages, they may be strangers to one another, yet a bond can be created among them, so that they become not only comrades, but brothers and sisters. On days of great joy or of great sorrow, whatever, we stand shoulder to shoulder. We find ourselves of one mind and one heart.

We are told that on Pentecost day everyone understood the apostles. It wasn't that they spoke a completely new language. It was one all of us are familiar with but which, alas, we tend to forget or leave unused. This new language is the language of peace rather than of war; the language of reconciliation rather than of conflict; the language of co-operation rather than of competition; the language of forgiveness rather than of vengeance; the language of hope rather than of despair; the language of tolerance rather than of bigotry; the language of friendship rather than of hostility; the language of unity rather than of division; the language of love rather than of hate, the language of mutual acceptance rather than of rejection. This new language gave rise to a new community, the Church, the community of those who believe in Jesus- a community of faith and love. According to the Acts of the Apostles, the first followers of Jesus were of 'one mind and heart'.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, people of many languages learned to profess the one faith, to the praise and glory of God. That is the real miracle of Pentecost. On this day, the infant church took its first steps. It is made up not of the saints but of sinners, called to speak the language of love, together building our community, God's church.



Congratulations to all our children who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion this weekend. Jesus comes to you in Holy Communion to feed you, love you and fill you with His grace. May you always welcome His loving presence.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

On my knees I before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses I offer myself, soul and body to You, Eternal Spirit of God.

I adore the brightness of Your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice, and the might of Your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul.

In You I live and move and am.

I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You.

Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light, and listen to Your voice, and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You, by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness.

Holding the pierced Feet of Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds, and trusting in His Precious Blood and adoring His opened Side and stricken Heart, I implore You, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, to keep me in Your grace that I may never sin against You.

Give me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere, "Speak Lord for Your servant heareth." Amen.

MASS FOR THE SICK – 1ST JUNE @ 12 MD

To help us know the numbers required for transport -If you know of anyone who would like to attend, please provide Fr. Ghislain with their **name, address and contact number**. Please include any carers required to accompany the sick.

A small tea will be provided in the hall after Mass to which all are welcome.

May, Month of Mary

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful are especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady. **Join us, please, for the Holy Rosary every morning at 9.30am and on Monday at 6pm.**

St Mary's Parish, Whifflet

As part of the parish 150th anniversary celebrations, St Mary's Parish will be hosting a concert by Diocesan Choir on Wednesday 22nd May at 7.00 pm.

Have a lovely weekend!