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Sunday after the Ascension

1st - 8th June 2025



Consequently, man needs yet higher perfections, whereby to be disposed to be moved by God. These perfections are called gifts, not only because they are infused by God, but also because by them man is disposed to become amenable to the Divine inspiration.

St. Thomas Aquinas, ST I-II q. 68 a. 1.

Sunday after the Ascension

Dear faithful,

We find ourselves today on the Sunday which falls between the great feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost. It is the novena of preparation for the coming of the Holy Ghost.

Through this gift, we are consecrated to the Holy Trinity, this is why Saint Paul writes: "Know you not, that your members are the temple of the Holy Ghost, who is in you, whom you have from God; and you are not your own" (1 Corinthians 6.19).

Along with this personal indwelling, the Holy Ghost also gives seven particular gifts. Their purpose is to *supernaturalise* all of our works. Instead of acting according to purely human modes of behaviour, we are able to be moved and guided by the divine life in us. These seven gifts are:

Fear of the Lord, which restrains us from sin through due reverence to the Heavenly Father.

Piety, which inspires us to acts of religion and devotion, encouraging us towards a divine life.

Knowledge, which helps us see the truth of things in spiritual terms, the value of God's grace and the ugliness of sin.

Fortitude, by means of which we have the strength to overcome the obstacles in the spiritual life.

Counsel, which fortifies our practical intellect to choose the right means to salvation and to avoid the deceits of the world and the devil.

Understanding, enabling us to penetrate the mysteries of the faith which surpass human reasoning.

Wisdom, which directs and unites all of our actions for the greater honour and glory of God.

*The sev'n-fold gifts of grace are Thine, O Finger of the Hand Divine;
True Promise of the Father Thou, Who dost the tongue with speech endow.*

N.B. June and July Daily Mass schedule changes

Due to the absence of the Canons:

2nd June: Mass at 8.30am only, no 6.30pm Mass.

From 3rd June to 6th June: no Mass. The Church will be open for private prayer.

2nd and 3rd July: no Mass.

Raffle tickets for a drinks hamper will be on sale after both Sunday Masses £3 per ticket, please see Anne in the shop. The winning ticket will be drawn 14th June at the Summer Gala Dinner. All proceeds go to the Dome. Thank you for your support.

Announcements

✠ **Choir Practices:** on [Monday at 7.15pm](#). **Gregorian Chant Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. [Next practice, 9th of June](#).

Polyphonic Choir Rehearsals: Every 2 weeks. Please contact Clare Tucker: tuckerobertson@gmail.com or 0151 639 19 99 / 0771 471 02 75. [Next practice 2nd June](#).

✠ **Last Sunday Collection:** Loose Plate: £603.42 Boxes: £ N/A Bank transfers: £580.00 Shop £89.95 Donations £ N/A Total: £1273.37. Thank you very much for your continued generosity! If you wish to donate via bank transfer, please use the following: Sort Code: 40-45-14 - Account number: 01805061 - For the credit of ICKSP / SSPPP.

✠ **Piety Shop:** Mass Booklets available: £5 each. Mass cards, rosary beads, books, gifts, all at very reasonable prices. All profits go to Ss. Peter & Paul. Also support Wirral Foodbank and Ss PPP 200 Club at the piety shop.

New in stock! Dolours chaplets (for the Seven Sorrows devotion), scapulars of all kinds and beautiful mantillas for the ladies!

✠ **Donations for refreshments after the 10.30 Mass:** £72.20 in total for May was donated for the Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus. Thank you for your generosity. We will collect for St Benedict's Academy during June. *Please note that all refreshments after the 10.30 Mass are donated by members of the congregation. Help and donations towards the purchase of disposable cups is always welcome! Thank you*

✠ **Church Cleaning.** [11-12am every Saturday morning after Mass](#). Coffee and biscuits afterwards! Please contact Joyce at 07887 580547 if you would like to join us. *Thank you to all who generously give their time to the upkeep of the church.*

✠ **Offertory Envelopes for 2025-2026.** Please do not forget to approach Canon Montjean to receive your offertory envelopes for 2025-2026!

✠ **Apiculae – Rosaries & Chaplets:** For beautiful handmade rosaries and chaplets, silver, copper, bronze & brass, see Elaine Gibbons. Commissions taken! Contact elaineapiculae@gmail.com or 0151 924 11 78.

✠ There are many unclaimed plates/dishes in the kitchenette. We would be very grateful if they could be collected and we could do some decluttering! Thank you!

Forthcoming events

✠ **Catechism for catechumens and beginners:** For anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith or considering reception into the church/baptism. Classes will be held twice per month. [First class will be 7th June at 11am in the day chapel](#).

✠ **Monthly Liturgy Class:** Explanation of the gestures and rites of Holy Mass. [Next class will be 27th June at 7.15pm](#).

✠ **Craft Group:** knitting, patchwork, dressmaking, lace making and embroidery. Beginners welcome. Contact: Dorothy McCarthy 07 76 775 26 71. [Next session, Saturday, 7th June](#).

✠ **Summer Gala Dinner:** [Saturday, 14th June](#) at Wallasey Golf Club, Bayswater Rd CH45 8LA. 7pm arrival for 7.30pm sit down meal. Two courses £27.50. (Formal attire, jacket and tie, no jeans) Please fill in a menu booking form with the menu choices, your name and contact details along with payment either cash or cheque made payable to Wallasey Golf Club to Anne in the Piety shop by the [1st of June](#) or contact Anne.Barry345@gmail.com Any donations of drinks suitable for raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. Please hand any donations into the shop. *Thank you!*

✠ **Corpus Christi Procession:** This year, the feast of Corpus Christ falls on [Thursday, 19th June](#). Mass will be at the normal time of [6.30pm](#). Our Corpus Christi Procession will take place on [Sunday, 22nd June](#), following the [10.30am](#) Mass. Bring your own flower petals! O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving, be every moment thine!

✠ **Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul (29th June):** This year, we look forward to the visit of Canon William Hudson, who will celebrate the Sunday Mass at 10.30 for his 25th jubilee of priesthood. We will also be joined by our dear Sister Adorers for this special occasion.

✠ **Second Collection for the Sister Adorers:** The annual second collection for the Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus will be held on Sunday, 29th June. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

✠ **For Life Matters and helplines:** see <https://lifecharity.org.uk>; for prolife helpline <https://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk> and for abortion recovery see <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk>

Ordo	Mass	Mass intentions		Devotions	Confessions
		Canon Montjean	Canon Post		
Offer a Mass for your intentions using the Mass Offering envelope (narthex). Write name (living or deceased) or intention. Enclose donation. Place envelope in collection box or give to a Canon. The earliest available date for a Mass at the moment is: 13 th August.				Confessions can also be arranged privately by texting a Canon (see front page)	
Sunday 1 st June Sunday after the Ascension <i>White</i>	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Holy Souls	Private Intention Philip Rushton	5.30pm Solemn Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by Compline	9.30am–10.15am
Monday 2 nd June <i>Ss Marcellinus, Peter and Erasmus</i> <i>Red</i>	8.30am Low Mass	Jacques Debarre & Christine Bond’s intentions	Private intention (Deceased)		
Tuesday 3 rd June Feria <i>White</i>	No Mass	In reparation to Our Lord And Our Lady	Private intention (Deceased)		
Wed 4 th June St Francis Caracciolo <i>White</i>	No Mass	Carmel Doran	Terry Geldard RIP		
Thurs 5 th June Votive Mass of Jesus Christ High Priest <i>White</i>	No Mass	Elizabeth Montgomery (née Conway)	Terry Geldard RIP		
Friday 6 th June Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus <i>White</i>	No Mass	Zillah Montgomery	Terry Geldard RIP		
Saturday 7 th June Vigil of Pentecost <i>Red</i>	10am Low Mass	Alexis Wessels RIP	Terry Geldard RIP	9am Adoration 6.30pm Vespers & Compline	9am-9.40am
Sunday 8 th June Whit Sunday <i>Red</i>	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Beryl Malkin RIP	Terry Geldard RIP Ann and Jim special anniversary	5.30pm Solemn Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by Compline	9.30am–10.15am

The Gospel [...] (cf. Jn 14:23-29) assures us that we are not alone in making our decisions in life. The Spirit sustains us and shows us the way to follow, “teaching” us and “reminding” us of all that Jesus said to us (cf. Jn 14:26). First, the Spirit teaches us the Lord’s words by impressing them deep within us, written as the biblical image would have it, no longer on tablets of stone but in our hearts (cf. Jer 31:33) This gift helps us grow and become “a letter of Christ”(cf. 2 Cor 3:3) for one another. Naturally, the more we let ourselves be convinced and transformed by the Gospel - allowing the power of the Spirit to purify our heart, to make our words straightforward, our desires honest and clear and our actions generous – the more capable we are of proclaiming its message.

Excerpt from the Homily of the Holy Father Leo XIV 25/5/25

Prayers for the Sick: *Please keep in your prayers*

Dermot, Eamonn, Sandra, Anne, Patricia, Joan, Vera, Lesley, Chris, Andrew, Madeleine, Sarah, John, Kathleen, Olivia, Lynne, Angela, Helen, Stuart, Jacqueline, Lindsey, Edward, Tracy, Mary, Peter Joseph, Janet, Elizabeth.

✠ NB: to add or remove someone from the prayer list, contact either of your canons. Updates are also appreciated!

PROPERS FOR SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

Introit *Ps. 26:7-9.*

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call, alleluia; to You my heart speaks; Your glance I seek; Your presence, O Lord, I seek. Hide not Your face from me, alleluia, alleluia.

Ps. 26:1.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?

℟. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, give us a will ever dedicated to You, and a true heart to serve Your majesty.

Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

℟. Amen.

Lesson *1 Pet 4:7-11.*

Lesson from the first letter of St. Peter the Apostle

Beloved: Be prudent and watchful in prayers. But above all things have a constant mutual charity among yourselves: for charity covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without murmuring.

According to the gift that each has received, minister it to one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let it be as with words of God. If anyone ministers, let it be as from the strength that God furnishes; that in all things God may be honoured through Jesus Christ our Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Gradual *Ps. 46:9. John 14:18* Alleluia, alleluia.

℟. The Lord reigns over all the nations, God sits upon His holy throne. Alleluia.

℟. I will not leave you orphans; I go away and I come to you, and your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

Gospel

Continuation ✠ of the Holy Gospel according to John
℟. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

John 15:26-27; 16:14.

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: When the Advocate has come, Whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth Who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness concerning Me. And you also will bear witness, because from the beginning you are with Me. These things I have spoken to you that you may not be scandalized. They will expel you from the synagogues. Yes, the hour is coming for everyone who kills you to think he is offering worship to God. And these things they will do because they have not known

Music Programme for Sunday, 1st June

Mass I

Credo I

Communion: *Regina Coeli* by Webbe

Recessional: *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus* (15)

the Father nor Me. But these things I have spoken to you, that when the time for them has come you may remember that I told you.

℟. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

S. By the words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

Offertory

Ps 46:6.

God mounts His throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord, amid trumpet blasts. Alleluia.

Secret

May this pure sacrifice cleanse us, O Lord, and impart to our minds the strength of heavenly grace.

Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

℟. Amen.

Preface

Ascension

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God: through Christ our Lord. Who, after His Resurrection, appeared openly to all His disciples, and, while they looked on, was taken up into heaven, that He might grant unto us to be sharers in His own divinity. And therefore, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

Communion

John 17:12-13; 17:15

Father, while I was with them, I kept them whom You have given Me, alleluia; but now I am coming to You; I do not pray that You take them out of the world, but that You keep them from evil, alleluia, alleluia.

Postcommunion

Let us pray.

We who have been filled with heavenly gifts beseech You, O Lord, grant us to continue giving thanks to You.

Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

℟. Amen.