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Sunday after the Ascension

17th – 24th May 2026

Sunday in Ascensiontide

Whether Christ's Ascension is the cause of our salvation?

From the Summa Theologiae of St Thomas IIIa pars q. 57 a. 6

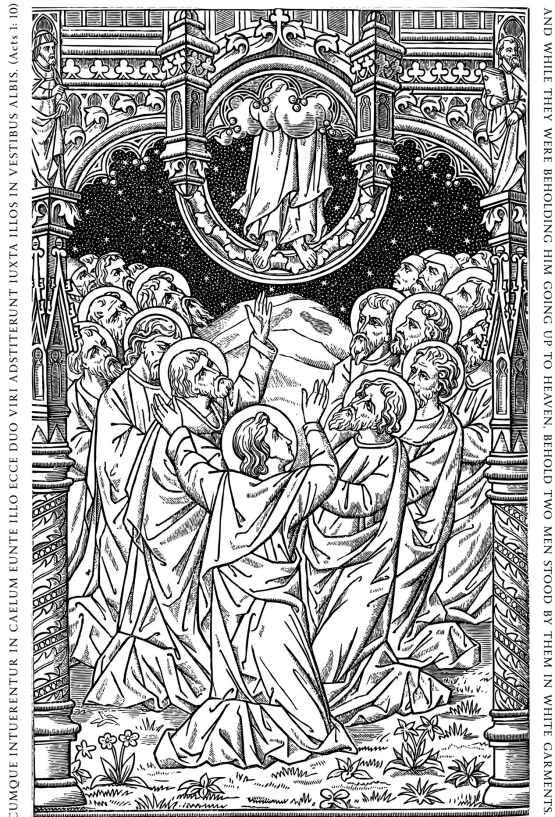
On the contrary, He Himself said ([John 16:7](#)): "It is expedient to you that I go"; i.e. that I should leave you and [ascend into heaven](#).

I answer that, [Christ's Ascension](#) is the [cause](#) of our [salvation](#) in two ways: first of all, on our part; secondly, on His.

On our part, in so far as by the [Ascension](#) our [souls](#) are uplifted to Him; because, as stated above His [Ascension](#) fosters, first, [faith](#); secondly, hope; thirdly, [charity](#). Fourthly, our reverence for Him is thereby increased, since we no longer deem Him an earthly [man](#), but the [God of heaven](#); thus the [Apostle](#) says ([2 Corinthians 5:16](#)): "If we have [known Christ](#) according to the flesh—'that is, as mortal, whereby we reputed Him as a mere [man](#),'" as the [gloss](#) interprets the words—"but now we [know](#) Him so no longer."

On His part, in regard to those things which, in [ascending](#), He did for our [salvation](#). First, He prepared the way for our ascent into [heaven](#), according to His own saying ([John 14:2](#)): "I go to prepare a place for you," and the words of Micheas ([2:13](#)), "He shall go up that shall open the way before them." For since He is our Head the members must follow whither the Head has gone: hence He said ([John 14:3](#)): "That where I am, you also may be." In sign whereof He took to [heaven](#) the [souls](#) of the [saints](#) delivered from [hell](#), according to [Psalm 67:19](#) (Cf. [Ephesians 4:8](#)): "[Ascending](#) on high, He led captivity captive," because He took with Him to [heaven](#) those who had been held captives by the [devil](#)—to [heaven](#), as to a place strange to [human nature](#), captives in [deed](#) of a [happy](#) taking, since they were acquired by His victory.

DUM BENEDICERET ILLIS RECESSIT AB EIS ET FEREBATUR IN CAELUM. (Luke 24: 51)



AND WHILE THEY WERE BEHOLDING HIM GOING UP TO HEAVEN, BEHOLD TWO MEN STOOD BY THEM IN WHITE GARMENTS. BLESSING THEM, HE DEPARTED FROM THEM, AND WAS CARRIED UP TO HEAVEN.

✠ **What are the fruits of the Holy Spirit?** Catechism of the Catholic Church 1832 - The fruits of the Spirit are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory. The tradition of the Church lists twelve of them: "charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, chastity."

✠ **RIP Thomas Hogan:** The public Mass on Friday evening at 6.30pm will be a Requiem for Mr. Thomas Hogan, father of Kevin Hogan.

✠ **First Communions for children:** Preparatory classes will be held on [Saturday, 23rd May and 6th June at 11am](#).

✠ **Introduction to the Solesmes Method of Gregorian Chant:** We will be holding three workshops on Saturdays, [23rd May, 27th June and 18th July from 11.00-12.30](#) run by Canon Montjean and Christian Spence exploring some key aspects of the Solesmes Method of singing Gregorian Chant. They will cover reading the neumes, rhythm, modality and spirituality of this method, with both theory and an opportunity to sing and practice. Members of the schola and choir are particularly encouraged, but all are welcome who have an interest in discovering more of this great Catholic treasure! We will follow this with a more in-depth course from September.

Announcements

✠ **Choir Practices:** on [Monday at 7.15pm](#). **Gregorian Chant Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. [Next practice: 25th May](#)
Polyphonic Choir Rehearsals: Every 2 weeks. Please contact Clare Tucker: tuckerobertson@gmail.com or 01516 391 999/07714 710 275. [Next practice: 18th May](#).

✠ **Last Sunday Collection:** Loose plate £ Boxes £ Bank Transfers £ Shop £ **Total £** 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.

✠ **Donation point:** Since last October, a new “Card donation point” has been installed. You can also make donations to Ss. Peter & Paul and St. Philomena Church by scanning the following QR Code on your phone. Thank you for your support!



✠ **Offertory Envelopes 2026-2027:** If you would like to make use of offertory envelopes in the coming financial year 2026-2027, please fill out the forms displayed at the back of the church. Once filled out, one of the canons will give you your set of envelopes.

✠ **Piety Shop:** The Piety shop has a selection of postcards with views of the Dome for purchase. Also lovely cards and gifts for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Ordination as well as Birthday and Thank you cards. All reasonable prices and all profits go to the Dome. Thank you for your continued support from the Piety Shop Team - Angela Sarah and Anne.

✠ **200 Club:** If you would like to join the 200 Lottery club there are plenty of numbers available. The cost is £1 per week per number. This must be paid monthly by standing order which is £4.33 per month per number. Come and see Anne in the Piety Shop to sign up for your number and details for payment. All profits to the Dome. Thank you.

✠ **Church Cleaning: MORE HELP NEEDED PLEASE, THE DOME IS A BIG CHURCH TO CLEAN! 11-12am every Saturday morning after Mass.** Coffee and biscuits afterwards! Please contact Joyce at 07887 580 547 if you would like to join us. *Thank you to all who generously give their time to the upkeep of the church.*

✠ **Donations for refreshments after the 10.30 Mass** We will collect for **Aid to Church in Need** over the following few months to support our fellow Catholics in the Lebanon who are facing great adversity at the moment. £40 was donated last week. Thank you!

✠ **Apiculæ – Rosaries & Chaplets:** For beautiful handmade rosaries and chaplets, silver, copper, bronze & brass, see Elaine Gibbons. Commissions taken! Contact elaineapiculae@gmail.com or 01519 241 178.

Forthcoming events

✠ **Adult Catechism Class – “Bread of Angels – The Holy Eucharist”:** One Friday per month, all are welcome regardless of prior knowledge, both Catholics and non-Catholics. The next class will be held on [Friday, 22nd May at 7.15pm](#), following the evening Mass.

✠ **Adult Catechism Class – “The Catholic Moral Life”:** One Saturday per month, all are welcome regardless of prior knowledge, both Catholics and non-Catholics. The next class will be held on [Saturday, 13th June at 11am](#). Topic: Formation of Conscience.

✠ **Reception into the Church:** We are overjoyed to announce the upcoming reception into the Catholic Church of Mr. Andrew Joseph Williams on the [Saturday of Pentecost Week, 30th May](#). He will make first Holy Communion on the following day, Trinity Sunday. Congratulations Andy!

✠ **Craft Group:** knitting, patchwork, dressmaking, lace making and embroidery. Beginners welcome. Contact: Dorothy McCarthy 07767 752 671. [Next meeting, Saturday, 6th June](#).

✠ **Summer dinner:** This year's Summer dinner will be on [Saturday 25th July](#) at Wallasey Golf Club at 7.30pm. The dinner will be less formal affair with a sumptuous 2 course Buffet plus tea and coffee and mints. If you would like to book your place please see Anne in the Piety Shop for more information. Cost is £30 per person payable by cash only please in advance. Thank you.

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

Prayers for the Sick: Please keep in your prayers Michael, Roisin, Dermot, Eamonn, Sandra, Anne, Patricia, Vera, Lesley, Chris, Andrew, Madeleine, Sarah, John, Kathleen, Olivia, Lynne, Angela, Helen, Stuart, Jacqueline, Lindsey, Edward, Tracy, Mary, Peter Joseph, Janet, Elizabeth, Michael, Donna and Gabriella.

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: 18th September				Confessions can also be arranged privately by texting a Canon (see front page)	
Sunday 17 th May Sunday after the Ascension <i>White</i>	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	Emma Horrell RIP Mary Burke	*No Vespers* 4.30pm Adoration, Rosary & Benediction	9.40am- 10.15am
Monday 18 th May St. Venantius <i>Red</i>	6.30pm Low Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	Anthony DeFazio	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm- 6pm
Tuesday 19 th May St. Peter Celestine <i>White</i>	6.30pm Low Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	All Souls on RMS Titanic	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm- 6pm
Wed 20 th May St. Bernadine of Siena <i>White</i>	6.30pm Low Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	Catherine Brady	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm - 6pm
Thurs 21 st May Ascensiontide feria <i>White</i>	6.30pm Low Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	Erin and Jacob Waddington Marriage	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm- 6pm
Friday 22 nd May Requiem for Thomas Hogan <i>Black</i>	6.30pm Sung Mass of Requiem	Anthony Welsh RIP	Thomas Hogan RIP	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm- 6pm
Saturday 23 rd May Vigil of Whitsun <i>Red</i>	10am Low Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	Ellen RIP	9am Adoration 9.40am Benediction	9.00am- 9.30am
Sunday 24 th May Whitsun <i>Red</i>	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Anthony Welsh RIP	In honour of the Holy Ghost Ellen's children	4.30pm Solemn Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by Compline	9.40am- 10.15am

The prayers of the Last Rites continued

Following the aspersion of the room, and possibly confession and viaticum, the priest lays hands upon the sick person: "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, let there be extinguished in you all power of the devil by the imposition of our hands, and by the invocation of the glorious and holy Mother of God, the Virgin Mary, and of her illustrious Spouse, St. Joseph, and of all the holy Angels, Archangels, Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Virgins, and of all the saints together." R. Amen.

The priest then takes the *Oleum Infirmorum* (the Oil of the Sick) and anoints the sick person in 6 places: eyelids, ears, nostrils, lips, hands and feet. As he anoints each place, he says the following words, which are the essential form of the sacrament: "Per istam sanctam Unctionem + et suam piissimam misericordiam, indulgeat tibi Dominus quidquid per (visum, auditum, odoratum, gustum et locutionem, tactum, gressum) deliquisti. Amen." Translation: "By this holy unction + and his own most gracious mercy, may the Lord pardon you whatever sin you have committed by (sight, hearing, smell, taste and speech, touch, ability to walk)." After anointing each place, he wipes it with a piece of cotton.

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.

Epistle *1 Pet 4:7-11.*

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.

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 *John 15:26-27; 16:1-4.*

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 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.

Offertory

Ps 46:6.

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

Kyriale: Mass I, Credo I

Communion:

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

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 of the 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.

