



PENTECOST SUNDAY

SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of Thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 103(104):1,24,29-31,34

Response: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **Response**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **Response**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **Response**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3 -7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia.

Gospel John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:
'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Copyright © 1996-2026 Universalis Publishing Limited: see www.universalis.com. Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible are published and copyright © 1966, 1967 and 1968 by Hodder & Stoughton and Doubleday, a division of Random House, Inc. and used by permission of the publishers. Texts of the Psalms: Copyright © 1963, The Grail (England). Used with permission of A.P. Watt Ltd. All rights reserved. The English translation of the Psalm Responses from "Lectionary for Mass" © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation (ICEL). Excerpts from the English translation of "The Roman Missal" © 2010, ICEL. All rights reserved.

Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2026



Devotional Candles
In Thanksgiving to
Our Lady are available in the
Church and the Parish
Office during the month of
May. Offering €1.



We remember
Kathleen Smith
Patricia Mangan
who died recently
**MAY THEY REST
IN PEACE**

MERCHANTS QUAY BOOKSHOP

Good News St Paul's Books and
Gifts, Ireland's leading Catholic
publisher and retailer of
religious books, gifts, educational
materials and parish resources,
has opened in 4 Merchants Quay,
Dublin 8. Email
dublin@stpauls.ie
or call 0892793978.

Thought Given all His wounds, and having fallen 3 times, would Jesus have made it to Calvary carrying His cross without the enforced help of Simon of Cyrene? How humbly and gratefully did Jesus accept this help to enable Him complete His mission. Are we the one being pressured, or the one refusing help? Think of the honour it is to be able to meet a need, no matter how untimely or awkward. Think too, of accepting the help God sends, so we can continue our course, whether that might be remaining able to live at home or some other difficulty. This week, think of Jesus, and say yes.

PARISH LOTTO

THE LAST PARISH LOTTO DRAW WILL
TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY 26TH MAY
2026.

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE
WHO HAS SUPPORTED THE PARISH
LOTTO OVER THE YEARS, WHICH HAS
CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT
OF THE PARISH FOR MANY YEARS.

WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THOSE
WHO VOLUNTEERED TO RUN AND
MANAGE THE LOTTO ON A WEEKLY
BASIS.

UNFORTUNATELY THE COST INVOLVED
IN OPERATING THE LOTTO IS NOT
SUSTAINABLE. THERE IS ALSO A
DOWNWARD TREND IN THOSE
PARTICIPATING IN THE LOTTO.
THEREFORE IT IS WITH REGRET THAT
WE ARE UNABLE TO CONTINUE.

PRAY FOR LIFE NOVENA

The Pray for Life Novena is an
invitation to join thousands of
people across Ireland to pray for the
protection of human life, from
Saturday 23rd May to Sunday 31st
May. Each day's intention is
accompanied by a short reflection and
suggested actions to help build a
culture of life in Ireland. Visit
www.prayforlife.ie for the daily
novena prayers and to sign up for daily
reminders. The prayers will also be posted
on facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena and
[@prayforlifenovena](https://instagram.com/prayforlifenovena) on Instagram.
*This is an initiative of the Council for Life of
the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.*

WHAT'S ON

Monday 25th May

Choir practise at 7.45pm
Parish Pastoral Council
meeting at 7.30pm in the
Pastoral Space.



**Confirmation
Ceremony
for the Boys & Girls
on Thursday 28th May
at 12.00noon.**

Friday 29th May

Eucharistic Prayer Group
meets in the Oratory from
2.30pm-3.30pm. All
welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday to Friday
**10.30am to 5.00pm. in
the Oratory.**



Church Collections

w/e 16th/17th May 2026

1st Priests: €688

2nd Collection: €433

Envelopes: €1043

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's
Jackpot.

The winning numbers were

2, 5, 21, 28

The Jackpot is €4,000

Congratulations to last week's
winners of the three €20 Prizes.

The last Draw will take place on
Tuesday 26th May before 10 a.m.
Mass. Entries for the Lotto draw
each week must be put into the safe
in the church by 11.00a.m. on
Monday.

All are welcome to attend the draw.