

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

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Psalter Week 3

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025

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### MASSSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	7 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST	6.30pm	Rose and Kevin Taylor R.I.P
SUN	8 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE		10.00am	Lu and Pat Mooney R.I.P Anne Parker R.I.P
MON	11 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	NO MASS		
TUES	10 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE			
WED	11 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE			
THURS	12 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE			
FRI	13 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	MEMORIAL OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA	10.00am	Eddie Hall R.I.P Well Being of Patricia Ita
SAT	14 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	6.30pm	Patrick Cowley R.I.P
SUN	15 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE		10.00am	All Fathers

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Paolo Cavarra , Gabriella Mavilia, Paddy Keane and Sharon Murray who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace.

We also pray for Maureen Sullivan, Bernard Kevin Taylor, John Clements, John Kennedy, Fr Eammon Moran, Peter Williams, John Payne, Patrick Cowley, Cecilio Lago, Zbigniew Kulczyk, William Rein, Eddie Hall, Honora Westacott, Margaret Stark, Brian Clode, Winifred Skinner, Catherine Collins, Winifred Robson, James Webb, Catherine Tucker, Alexander Clifford, Shielagh Hunnum, William Prosser, Hildegard Struck, Angelo Miggiano and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing

**CANDLES** You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. This week's candles will be lit for Eddie Hall, Patrick Cowley and Bernice Greenaway (nee Murphy)

If you choose to light T-lights, please make a donation towards their purchase. The ones in the plastic pots are also 20p each.

**ST DAVID'S DEANERY COUNCIL:** Some time ago this new Deanery Council was formed and our Parish of St Patrick's is part of this Deanery Council. Christine German represents our Parish and the members were commissioned on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Various matters are discussed at the meetings but a great area of concern is communication within the Cardiff Parishes. Hopefully a summary of the minutes and other pieces of information will be available soon.

**SUMMER EVENT:** Last year we held a 'Summer Event' in July and it was really successful. This year we would like to do the same. We had a preliminary meeting with the 'team' last week. All being well (weather permitting) we have gone for Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July after the 10.00am Mass. Anyone who would like to help either before or on the day please let Chris or Renata know. More information will be shared with you in the coming weeks.

**NO MASS ON TUES, WED AND THURSDAY THIS WEEK.** Fr Peter is on Retreat.

**'HISTORY OF GRANGE GARDENS'** Talk given by Steve Duffy. Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm in the Grange Pavilion.

**ANNUAL MASS FOR SICK & RETIRED CLERGY** An opportunity to give thanks for the contribution our retired clergy have made to the life of the Archdiocese. The Mass, celebrated by Canon Benedict Koledoye, will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 11am at St Joseph's Cathedral in Swansea. All welcome.

### **VOLUNTEER SUPPORT TEAM**

The Archdiocese is establishing a Volunteer Support Team to provide practical and emotional assistance to parishes during times of crisis or difficulty. We are seeking empathetic individuals with strong listening skills who can help create a compassionate and supportive environment for priests and parish communities in need. Interested in finding out more? Call the safeguarding team on 029 2037 9480 or email [safeguarding@rcadc.org](mailto:safeguarding@rcadc.org)

**MISSIO BOOKLETS:** There are some Missio Booklets available at the back of the Church for those with Red Boxes and anyone else who is interested in finding out more.

**CATHOLIC RENEWAL JUBILEE DAYS** The diocesan Catholic Charismatic Team invites you to praise and worship, Mass and small group sharing at Jubilee shrines across the Archdiocese. Each day runs 10 am - 3pm, please bring a packed lunch. Saturday 14 June - Sacred Heart Centre, Swansea SA6 6HX Saturday 28 June - Belmont Abbey, Hereford HR2 9RZ Saturday 5 July - St Non's Retreat, near Haverfordwest SA62 6BN

**PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR MASS:** Masses at the weekend are at **6.30pm on Sat and at 10.00am on Sun.** In order for you to say you have been to Mass you do need to be present for the **WHOLE** of Mass, not just the last few minutes. If you were going to a friend for a meal you would make every effort to be on time. Every Mass you are invited to the table of the Lord, so please don't be late.

**BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S 'THE MASS'** videos well worth watching. Links are on the Parish Website or just Google Robert Barron the Mass. The videos are not long and really easy to listen to.

**PIETY STALL SALE:** Lots of lovely religious items on sale.

**OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES:** **THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses (no cases) to be sent overseas to Third World Countries. There is a box at the back of the Church to put your old items in. Please see Patrick McCarthy for more information if you are interested in joining the Knights. This is an all male organisation.

**MASS INTENTIONS** At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** If you have been coming to St Patricks for some weeks and would like to be listed as a new Parishioner please complete the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to one of the priests.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage. A First Aid Box is kept in the Sacristy.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and the Ward details if possible. When you ring the Chaplaincy 02921 843230 please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

**HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS:** If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion please contact one of the priests.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS:** £ 611.54

### **WEEKLY MESSAGE**

Today is Pentecost Sunday. It is the birthday of the Holy Mother Church. Easter is the feast of the light, of the new life that begins with Christ's resurrection. Pentecost is the celebration of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It marks the beginning of the new covenant, and the birth of the public life of the church.

So what is the Holy Spirit? When we were children we may have learned a catechism answer, or we may imagine the Holy Spirit as a dove or flames or wind, or the Third Member of the Holy Trinity. But the Holy Spirit is God within us, who walks with us, who breathes with us, who is with us through all our challenges and delights and waits for us to involve Him, to welcome Him as we go about our daily tasks.

In today's readings we hear how the apostles were terrified because they had just seen their friend tortured and put to death and they thought that they would be next. They knew He had given them a mission, but how could they possibly fulfil it, where could they get the skills and courage to do it. That's where the Holy Spirit comes in. Jesus told His friends that He would have to leave them so that the Holy Spirit would come, enter their very beings and give them the necessary courage to step forward and begin. And we are part of that mission because we received the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and when we were Confirmed.

God the Father created us, God the Son – Jesus came to give us the Message, God the Holy Spirit will enable us to share that message with others. The three lobes on a shamrock. The height, width and breadth of a book-- all three parts necessary to be complete.

The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to enable us share God's Message and God's Love. But what good is a gift if it remains untouched. When you receive a gift you are expected to do something with it: eat it, admire it, use it, grow it and so on. It is no good at all if it stays in the bag or the box. So what are the gifts of the Holy Spirit: PUFWACK (Piety, Understanding, Fortitude, Wisdom, Awe, Council, Knowledge.)

And what must we do with these gifts? We must share God's love with others, by being kind, thoughtful, understanding, generous, patient, helpful and loving. And how will we do it? By asking God the Holy Spirit for help and let Him guide us, every day. We have the gifts, time to take them off the shelf.

Trying to do the Lord's work  
in your own strength is the  
most confusing, exhausting,  
and tedious of all work. But  
when you are filled with the  
Holy Spirit, then the ministry  
of Jesus just flows out of you.

*God,*  
grant me the  
**serenity**  
to accept the things  
I cannot change,  
the **courage**  
to change  
the things I can,  
and the  
**wisdom**  
to know the  
difference.