

THIS WEEKEND	Pentecost Sunday		Year B
Sat 22nd May	5.00pm	St O	Ron Pope B'Day Remembrance
	6.30pm	St T	Julie Mather, Parishioners
Sun 23rd May	8:30am	St O	Parishioners
	9.30am	St T	May Tipping (A)
	11.00am	St MM	Ronald Pope St Jude, St Joseph Thanksgiving
Divine Office Week 4			
Mon 24th May <i>Our Lady, Mother of the Church</i>	10.30am	St O	Jean Pope (A)
Tues 25th May <i>St Bede the Venerable</i>	9.15am	St T	Special Intention (AR)
	10.00am	St O	Requiem Mass: Darren Quinn
	1.30pm	St O	Requiem Mass: John Eccles
Wed 26th May <i>St Philip Neri</i>	9.30am	St MM	Jim Warner (LD)
Thu 27th May	9.30am	St O	Maurice Wilson (A)
	7.00pm	St T	Priest's Intention
Fri 28th May	9.15am	St T	Ian Johnstone (RIP)
	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention
NEXT WEEKEND	Trinity Sunday		Year B
Sat 29th May	5.00pm	St O	Len Hatfield
	6.30pm	St T	Ken Blanchard B'day Remembrance, Julie Mather
Sun 30th May	8:30am	St O	Parishioners
	9.30am	St T	Angela McLaren (Ongoing treatment) , Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	David Laing B'day Remembrance


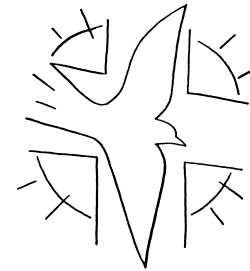
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Pentecost Sunday 23rd May 2021

**The Spirit of truth will lead you to
the complete truth**

Today we celebrate the great day of Pentecost, when Christ filled the Church with the power of his Spirit and sent his followers out into the world to bring his peace, joy and mercy to all.

The **First Reading** tells the story of what happened on the first Pentecost. With the advent of the Holy Spirit, the disciples are filled with its power and the Church is born. The barrier of language between peoples is removed as the whole community hears the wonders of God's message. The atmosphere is one of an exuberant and joyful new beginning.

The **Psalmist** is a person of deep faith who sees that nature bears the fingerprints of the Creator. God's Spirit is also the Spirit of renewal of life.

Paul compares the imprisoning consequences of self-centeredness and self-indulgence with the life-giving fruits of the Spirit. He reminds the Galatians that it was the presence of the Spirit dwelling within them, who would guarantee that they live the true Christian life (**Second Reading**).

In the **Gospel**, Jesus promises that the Spirit – the Advocate – will come, and continue to be with them. He also invites his followers to begin to witness to the fullness of the Father's message of love, with the guidance and companionship of the Advocate.

This week, let us pray for ourselves and for the Christian Church. We ask for a sense of rediscovery of what it means to be the people of God, and that our hearts and minds might be open to the Spirit of truth.

Please adhere to social distancing guidelines when entering and leaving the church.

Remember the Sunday obligation has not been reinstated and live streaming Masses will continue.



Mass at St Teresa's can be viewed live through the webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham>
Or by scanning the QR code left. If the picture 'freezes' then please refresh the screen

Gift Aid Envelopes St Mary Magdalen + St Teresa: If you have any envelopes you wish to return from 2020 – 2021 financial year, then please can they be handed in by 30th May 2021. Any envelopes returned after this date will be added to this financial year. Thank you for your continued generosity.

St. Oswald's The letters of notification of Gift Aid donations for the Financial Year 2020/2021 are available at all masses. Thank you. Mike and Margaret Boardman

St Oswald's Synod Meetings – Together on the Road

There will be an opportunity to discuss the 19 Synod recommendations under the six headings.

The meetings for **St. Oswald's Parish** will take place on the following **Tuesdays at 7pm**. All the meetings will be held in church and covid conditions will apply.



Tuesday 25th May Catholic Social Teaching & Community

Tuesday 1st June Administration & Governance

SPUC Pro-Life chain Saturday 29 May 11.00 am – 1.00 pm: Please join us for this annual silent act of witness to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion. Meet on London Road, Preston – just north of Ribble Bridge. Stay for all or part of the time; bring a chair if required. For info tel. 01772 723094.

Synod 2020 St Mary Magdalen and St Teresa:
Synod sessions from the last six weeks can be viewed at <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham>



If you wish to respond to the Synod recommendations then please visit the parish website <http://www.catholic-penwortham-longton.btck.co.uk/> where a sheet detailing the recommendations is available to print off and can be placed through the presbytery door or emailed to penwortham@rcaolp.co.uk.
Thank you to all who have contributed throughout the Synod journey.

Pentecost Sunday

In a special message for the global prayer initiative 'Thy Kingdom Come', Cardinal Vincent Nichols this Pentecost has upheld two key pillars of the Christian faith – praying to the Holy Spirit for people to come to know Jesus Christ and the role of the Holy Spirit as 'God's power' sustaining the created world.

"It's the Holy Spirit that transformed what we call the 'chaos' into the 'cosmos' – the ordered world," Cardinal Nichols says.

"In caring for the world, we care for each other. In caring for each other, we care for the Creator and show Him our respect, our deference, our service.

"May 'Thy Kingdom Come' be a prayer from our hearts that the Holy Spirit transforms us into servants of the word and servants of the created world made through the word Himself."

Living Theology at Loreto, Llandudno will be taking place once again this year - though it will happen online rather than in person at the Loreto Centre itself. The event will now take place by Zoom over the four Saturdays in July.

This is always a very stimulating event to support and extend our faith and our prayer, and the range of speakers once again comes with a very high recommendation.

Details available at <http://www.loretocentre.org.uk/living-theology>.



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