

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel Acclamation

Go, make disciples of all the nations! I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Election Letter

The Bishops of England and Wales have issued a letter to Catholics on the forthcoming general election, which will be distributed in parishes across all dioceses this weekend.

The letter is an encouragement to all Catholics to play an active part in the election. While voting for any particular political party is a matter of conscience, the bishops encourage people to use their vote at this pivotal time for our nations, as we prepare to leave the European Union. The letter lays out broad principles to guide our thinking in the run-up to the election, taken from Pope Francis' *Evangelii Gaudium*.

"To a great extent the outcome of this election will determine the approach taken on how this (leaving the European Union) is achieved, the priorities we pursue and the values we wish to treasure as our own in the UK and as partners with countries

For those sick & housebound in our parishes

Your prayers are asked for our Norah Smith, Margaret Scott, Ellen Insole, Marlene Simms, Tim Conlan and George Jackson. Also, if you, a member of your family or someone you know is going into hospital, let Fr Philip know so that the chaplaincy at the hospital will know you are there and want to be visited in the ward.

Pray for our sick priests

Your prayers are asked for our priests who are sick: Monsignori Jonathan Moore, Joseph Phelan & George Túttó, Canons John Berry & Peter Coyle, Fathers John Cairns, Anthony Colebrook, Hugh Doherty, James Hannigan, Christopher Hogan, James Lynch, Frank McLaughlin, Neil McLaughlin, Dominic O'Connor, Jim O'Hanlon, Joseph O'Hanlon, Eamonn O'Hara, Robert Rutledge & Michael Tutchter, Deacons Bernard Croft and William Hutchinson.

around the world. It will determine how we can heal divisions in our society, care for the vulnerable, how our public services are run and whether we can remain a united kingdom."

The letter then moves from these broad guiding principles to some more specific questions for consideration and to raise with candidates, including questions on how best to encourage and enable families to flourish, promote freedom of religion across the world and care for refugees and asylum seekers.

The letter concludes with a prayer: "Lord grant us wisdom to act always with integrity, seeking the protection and flourishing of all, and building a society based on justice and peace."

Baptism Courses 2017

The next Baptism preparation courses (for children below the age of six years) are as follows:

Corpus Christi, Clifton Saturday 22 July 10.30 am to 12.30 pm (**one session only**) in the church sacristy.

10th & 17th June at The Cathedral

9th & 16th September at OL&SP

4th & 11th November, St Augustine's

Saturdays from 10.30 am to 12 noon

Attendance at the full course is mandatory before a date for a Baptism can be booked.

You are Living Stones - Parish & Deanery Consultations

I wish to thank all those who contributed to the consultations on 'You are Living Stones' in both parishes. The responses are being collated and will be published shortly before being taken to the Deanery.

Parish Newsletter

Week beginning Sunday 28th May 2017
Ascension Day (Year A)



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Pastoral Council

President: Fr Philip McBrien

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Members: Austin Bryan, Sarah Heining, Keeley Kennelly, Rob Love, Rebecca Procter, Joseph Raju, Chrisjoy Rodrigues, Colin Swift

Next meeting: Monday 3rd July at 7 pm

Pastoral Council

President: Fr Philip McBrien

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Secretary: Christabel Pinto

Members: Keith Bourke, Mary Brown Pat Conlan, Lawrence Cotter, Maura Cotter, Ann McCleary, Tina Mphande Boniface Munyabarenzi, Karen McNally Christina Smith, Trevor Smith

Next meeting:
Saturday 1st July at 10.30 am

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Corpus Christi, Clifton

Ascension Day - World Communications	
Saturday 27th	
5.15-45 6 pm	Adoration & Confessions Mass: Michael O'Brien RIP
Sunday 28th	
11 am	Mass: June & Horace Lynes RIP
Bank Holiday Monday 29th - Easter feria	
8.30 am	Mass: Priest's Intention
Tuesday 30th - Easter feria	
6.30 pm 6.50 pm 7 pm	Adoration & prayer for vocations Evening Prayer Mass: Priest's Intention
Wednesday 31st - The Visitation of BVM	
Thursday 1st June - St Justin	
6.30 pm 6.50 pm 7 pm	Adoration & prayer for vocations Evening Prayer Mass: Geoffrey Fields RIP
Friday 2nd - Easter Feria	
11 am	Larkhill Mass
Pentecost Sunday	
Saturday 3rd	
11 am 5.15-45 6 pm	Rehearsal FHC Adoration & Confessions Mass: Richey & Billy RIP
Sunday 4th	
11 am	Mass: Pro populo Baptism of Aaliyah Boulby

Forthcoming Collections

28th May - **World Communications**
4th June - **Parish Charities Collection**
11th June - **Day for Life**
2nd July - **Peter pence**

Summer Fayre

Our next major fund-raising event is our Summer Fayre on Saturday 24th June from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm in the School Hall. As always we welcome all contributions for the stalls - please wait for details for the kinds of things we need - and offers of help or new stall ideas. Raffle tickets are now at the back of church for collection. We would appreciate bottles for the bottle stall, cakes,

new gifts for a tombola stall. We do not require bic a brac or books as we will not be having these stalls at this fayre.

Church Flowers

There is a rota in the church porch for anyone who wishes to ask to dedicate the flowers in church for a weekend. The suggested contribution of £25 can be give to Sharon Bryan or Fr Philip.

Ministries

	This Week	Next Week
	27th/28th May	3rd/4th June
Readers 6 pm	Rosanne Whitt & Shalini Pinto	Suneetha Rodrigues & Magaret Reeve
11 am	Augustine Kalapurakkal & Adone Jain	Belishya Jils & Glory Raju
EMHC 6 pm	Margaret Miller & Austin Bryan	Bill Lester & Rob Love
11 am	Joan Blair & Rebecca Procter	Brigitte Ramsay &
Counters	Fr Philip & Catherine Haywood	Austin & Sharon Bryan

Finance: collections last week

Envelopes:	£259.52
Loose plate:	£211.27
Standing orders:	£105.00
Total:	£575.79

Children's Liturgy

We wish to register our thanks to Joanne Noone who has stepped down after leading our Children's Liturgy to some time. We are grateful to Cherrri-Ann Swift who has agreed to take on this ministry. She wishes to move the Liturgy to the Sunday morning Mass, and hopes to have two celebrations per month. Please keep an eye out for more details in the bulletin.

First Holy Communion

The rehearsal for our celebration is next Saturday 3rd June at 11 am and the event itself on Saturday 10th June also at 11 am.

Our Lady & Saint Patrick's

Sunday 28th - Ascension Day World Communications Sunday	
9.30 am	Mass: Pro populo
Bank Holiday Monday 29th - Easter feria	
Tuesday 30th - Easter feria	
Wednesday 31st - The Visitation of BVM	
9.30 am 10-10.30	Mass: Priest's Intention Adoration
Thursday 1st June - St Justin	
Friday 2nd - Easter feria	
Saturday 3rd - St Charles Lwanga	
Sunday 4th - Pentecost Sunday	
9.30 am	Mass: Christopher Johnson RIP Children's Liturgy

Ministries

	This Week	Next Week
	28th May	4th June
Readers	new rota	new rota
EMHC	Karen & Christabel	Colin & Christabel
Finance: collections last week		
Envelopes:	£211.28	
Loose plate:	£318.57	
Standing orders:	£ 60.00	
Total:	£589.85	

Forthcoming Collections

28th May **World Communications**

50/50 club

April prize winning number 29
£24.50 - Keith Bourke

To join this fund-raising effort and help the parish, see Pat Conlon before or after Mass.

Eritrean Catholics

On Saurday 10th June our friends from the Eritrean Catholic community in Nottingham

will be coming to celebrate in our Church and Hall from 10 am until the evening.

Summer Fayre

BBQ and 'Everyone's a winner' on Sunday June 25th after 9.30 Mass. Tickets £1.50 per person. Donations for 'Everyone's a Winner' greatly appreciated! All proceeds to go towards parish funds.

Home Help needed

One of our elderly housebound parisioners would appreciate some trustworthy help around the house. If you can assist, please speak to Karen McNally or Fr Philip for further details.

Parking on Launder Street

Parishioners bringing cars to church are advised that Launder Street is now restricted to resident parking with permits. Traffic Wardens patrol the area and will quickly put parking enforcement notices on any cars not having a permit. You are advised to use the church car park when visiting Our Lady & St Patrick's. When our railings and gates are installed, I will ensure that you are all advised of the code for the digial lock to be installed on the gates.

PA System

At the recent meeting of the Building & Sites Commission of the Diocese we have been given permission to go ahead with replacing our sound system in the church and to include a linked system in the parish hall. This will include a separate Loop system for those who have hearing difficulties and will incorporate a CD player. The firm, Keystone Sound Systems, have installed systems in Clifton, The Cathedral and St Augustine's and are very thorough in their work.

Council of Priests meetings

The Bishop has asked to hold the Council of Priests meetings in the hall on the following dates this year.

Monday 26th June 2017
Monday 23rd October 2017

Start with tea/coffee from 10.30 am and serving lunch at 12.30 pm - 2pm.