



ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK  
**ST FRANCIS DE SALES & ST GERTRUDE CHURCH**

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The Weekly Newsletter is available in our Parish Website

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2026: Pentecost Sunday -Year A**



**Office Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays: 10:30am – 1:30pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 2:1-11. **Psalm** 104:1ab. 24ac. 29b-30. 31, 34. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13. **Gospel:** John 20:19-23.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **NEXT: Day for Life (21<sup>st</sup> June)**

**PASTORAL TEAM**

Fr Michael Faneye, MSP: Parish Priest;

Mr Charles Madden: Chair PPC / Mrs Catherine Biney: Finance; Mrs Sade Onile-Ere: Safeguarding, Catechist / Mr Patrick Sanniez: Sacristan

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE			ORDER OF MASS	
DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS		
Saturday:23/05	18.30		I Confess	p.8
Sunday:24/05	09.00	People of the Parish	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	p. 288
	11.00		Resp. Psalm	p.289
Monday:25/05	NO MASS		2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	p.289
Tuesday:26/05	09:30		Gospel	p.290
Wednesday:27/05	09:30		I believe in	p.11
Thursday:28/05	09:30		Our Father	p.56
Friday:29/05	09:30			
Saturday:30/05	18.30			
Sunday:31/05	09.00	People of the Parish		
	11.00			

**STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBIT**

Offerings can be made by envelope, contactless machine, direct debit or standing order.

**NATWEST ACCOUNT: RCAS STOCKWELL.**

**NO: 28975553; SORT CODE 60-20-31**

**DONA-** Please use DONA Contactless device in the Atrium, or scan this QR Code



**OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 17/05/2026**

Gift Aid	Loose	Total
£196.00	£211.75	£407.75

**PARISHIONERS' BIRTHDAYS**

Gerardo Malanga/24<sup>th</sup>, Sylvia Dacres/26<sup>th</sup>, Lawrence McDonagh/27<sup>th</sup>, Dolores Boateng/27<sup>th</sup>, Anna Webb/28<sup>th</sup>, Ayele N. Ajavon/28<sup>th</sup>, Girmy Haile/29<sup>th</sup>.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**UPCOMING FEASTS**

**The Most Holy Trinity** - Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Solemnity

**Corpus Christi** - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Solemnity

**The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Solemnity

**Saints Peter and Paul** - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Solemnity

**INCOMING RETREATS**

**Journey to 2030 Network Meeting: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May (online)**

Time: 7pm to 8pm (online)

Free to attend - registration

required: [journeyto2030.org/registration/](http://journeyto2030.org/registration/)

**In-person day retreat: Joy of Limits**

Location: FCJ Centre for Spirituality and EcoJustice, 32 Phoenix Road, Somers Town, London NW1 1TA

Event date: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Event type: In-person Day Retreat

Day begins: 10am

Day end: 4pm (Optional Vigil Mass at 4:30pm)

**Residential Retreat: Recreation!**

Dates: 1<sup>st</sup>–6<sup>th</sup> October (with an optional extension to 8<sup>th</sup> October for additional rest and reflection)

Location: Boarbank Hall (Allithwaite, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria, LA11 7NH)

Cost: £100-£170 per night (depending on room size, see rates here), donation only for low earners.



Pentecost is the Church's birthday, and because you are part of the body of the Church, it is yours as well. And like any birthday, it is a reason for celebration. The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations. All of us who have received one and the same Spirit, that is, the Holy Spirit, are in a sense blended together with one another and with God. The symbols of Pentecost are the flame, wind, and the dove, which represents the Holy Spirit. The colour of Pentecost is red and the priest wears red vestments on this day. This is the end of the Season of Easter, Paschaltide.