

**Mass times and intentions: 07<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> 18.00 – Frank Barroba RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>08</b>	11.30 – The People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	<b>09</b>	No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10</b>	Feria 10.00 – Joyce Barroba and Sherly – Thanksgiving
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11</b>	St Barnabas, apostle 10.00 – Joseph Eboigbe – Thanksgiving
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12</b>	Our Lord Jesus Christ – The eternal High Priest 10.00 – Busari and Olusanya Families
<b>Friday</b>	<b>13</b>	St Anthony of Padua 10.00 – Emmanuel Michael Falco RIP
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14</b>	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 – Joyce Barroba
		THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 18.00 – Rebecca Goode – intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>15</b>	11.30 – The People of the Parish

Tuesday to Saturday, after the Holy Mass,  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Holy Rosary

**Mass Intentions / Offerings:** Special envelopes are available at the back of Church. If you would like Mass offered on a particular date or anniversary, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Mass Attendance last weekend: 304**

**Offertory Collection last weekend: £ 967.63**

**Renovation fund: £ 125**

**I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyous week and I look forward, very much, to getting to know you all and working with you for the good of our Parish.**

**CATHOLIC PARISH  
OF THE DIOCESE OF BRENTWOOD**

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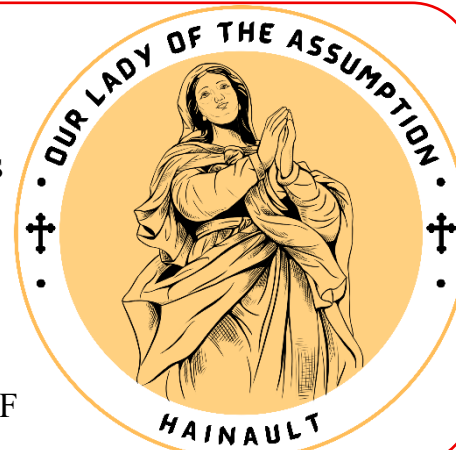
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**PENTECOST SUNDAY – 08<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

Parish Mass Book – Sunday Readings – pgs. 294-298

Hymn Book numbers for Sunday Mass

**373** – Lo, He comes with clouds descending (v. 1, 2, 4)

**Responsorial Psalm:**

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

**183** – Forth in the peace of Christ we go

**261** – Holy Spirit, Lord of light (v. 1, 3, 4, 5)

**98** – Breathe on me, Breath of God

**S12** – Walk in the light

***Dear brothers and sisters,***

Today, as we mark the great arrival of the Holy Spirit, the season of Easter reaches its climax and conclusion. Today we celebrate and experience the powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the whole Church and upon all of us who call ourselves disciples and followers of the Risen Lord.

Last Sunday Jesus promised his friends that he would send them the Holy Spirit to encourage them, fill them with strength and to take away their fear. Their and our waiting is over; the promise of Jesus has been

fulfilled. This very day, each of us are filled, blessed and anointed with God's very life; the Holy Spirit. This is not just some historical event that happened two thousand years ago. It is happening today, right here, right now. Today, each of us are the ones, the disciples of Jesus who are filled with the power, energy and life of the Holy Spirit.

The first friends and followers weren't strong, courageous or even very faithful. They betrayed Jesus, they denied and deserted him when he needed them the most. After the resurrection, most, if not all them, doubted that he had even risen at all! They all lost heart and hope! Then, a most unusual thing happened to and for them. The house shakes; they hear wind and see flames and fire around them! These frail, frightened and fragile men and woman are completely changed. Through the Holy Spirit, they are given new heart, new hope and new purpose. They are renewed, restored and refreshed; they become new people. They are given new courage and conviction. They leave their hiding place and they go out and boldly proclaim the Good News that Jesus is Risen. They are new people with a new mission and message.

In reality, we today are no different than these men and women. Through our Baptism and Confirmation, each of us has been anointed and filled with the exact same Spirit. Just as they became witnesses to the Resurrection, we too are called to be missionary disciples today in our time and our own way.

There is nothing gentle, calm or mild about God's Spirit. The Holy Spirit is powerful, life-giving energetic and very disturbing! St. Oscar Romero who was murdered while celebrating mass said: 'The Spirit makes all things new; we are the ones who grow old and want to keep everything to our aged way of doing things... the Spirit is never old, the Spirit is always young.'

Today, as we celebrate Pentecost and the birth of the missionary church, may we be encouraged and challenged by the words of Pope Francis; 'Go out again and again, without hesitation or fear and proclaim this joy, this Good News which is for all people.' May the Holy Spirit continue to encourage and challenge each of us to be missionary disciples today, whenever and wherever we can.

*Dear young people,*

*Today is a moment of grace and blessing in your lives. Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, you will receive the Holy Spirit — the Comforter, the One who strengthens, enlightens, and teaches us to live as true children of God.*

*The Holy Spirit does not come with noise, but with a quiet and powerful presence. He brings into your souls His seven gifts - wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These are not just beautiful words, but living forces that will guide you through life: in your choices, your struggles, and in every challenge that comes your way.*

*Never forget - the Christian life is not just a tradition; it is a calling to holiness. And that path begins not only today, but every single day, through the decisions you make: to love, to forgive, to speak the truth, to help those in need, to stand firm in your faith.*

*The Holy Spirit does not make you superheroes in the eyes of the world - but disciples of Christ, people of courage, joy, and hope. You are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. Don't be afraid to live your faith with honesty and boldness.*

*In the Church, you are never alone. We are together - a family, a living Body, led by Christ. Stay close to prayer, to confession, to the Holy Liturgy. Seek God in silence, in His Word, in others, and in your own heart. Do not let the flame of the Holy Spirit go out in you. Keep it alive through faith, hope, and love.*

*Be holy, just as He is Holy.*

**Amen.**

### **Going Forth Mass**

On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June a Going Forth Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am in thanksgiving for all our First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates. This will be followed by a celebration in the Parish Hall after Mass – all are invited to this joyous celebration.

### **Diocese Second Collection**

There will be a 'Day for Life' second collection next weekend after Mass.