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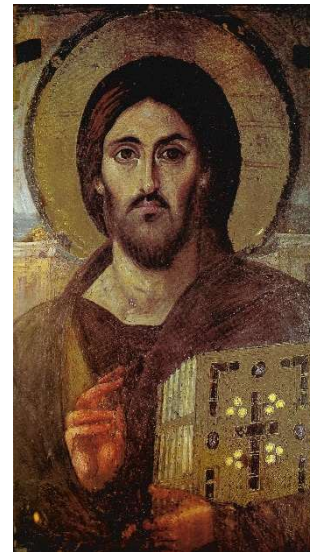
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 MAY 2026

'I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper.'

Mass Times

Sat 9	Feria 09:30 Holy Souls 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday Holy Souls
Sun 10	Sixth Sunday of Easter 10:00 People of the Parish 12:00 Confirmation Mass
Mon 11	Feria NO MASS
Tues 12	Feria 09:30 Kathleen Jay RIP
Weds 13	Feria 09:30 Mary Coyle RIP, 1st Anniversary 18:00 Grupo de Oración en Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions) 19:00 Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord Holy Souls
Thurs 14	The Ascension of the Lord Solemnity, Holyday of Obligation St Joseph's School Mass 09:30 Holy Souls
Fri 15	St John Stone, Priest & Martyr Memorial 09:30 Theresa Rowse Moloney RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 16	St Simon Stock, Priest Memorial 09:30 Antonio Beirão Monteiro RIP 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday People of the Parish
Sun 17	Seventh Sunday of Easter World Communications Sunday 10:00 Maria Figueiredo, Thanksgiving
	Confessions: Saturday 10.00-10.45



Christ Pantocrator, Sinai, Unknown (6th Century)

'I will not leave you as orphans', Jesus says to the disciples in today's gospel. Indeed, we are not orphans. By the Spirit our existence is bound in love to God himself. And that love will never be taken away from us. 'I am in my Father', says Jesus, 'and you are in me and I in you.'

The Church as the community of Christian faith in the world is guided through history by the Spirit of God who is Truth. In baptism, every one of the Church's members is given the Spirit to enable us to live the Christian life: to strengthen and heal us; to forgive us through the sacrament of reconciliation; to bring us hope in times of struggle; and to bring us joy in our Christian faith. We are called to be confident in the power of the Holy Spirit and to be courageous in our faith, to stand for what we believe in, and to show the world the truth of the gospel by the way we live our lives. **Mgr Matthew**

Sunday Readings: Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2

Baptisms & Marriages:
Please speak to Fr Jude after Mass

SECOND COLLECTION

9 – 10 MAY – SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FUND

It is a great privilege to accompany the children and families of our parish as they prepare to receive the Sacraments. This year, we were delighted to welcome seven adults into the Church at the Easter Vigil. In the coming weeks, five of our young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 10 May, and 20 children will celebrate their First Holy Communion on Sunday 21 June.

This collection helps us to continue offering these important programmes and to provide meaningful experiences along the way, including special days such as the Confirmation retreat. Thank you for your generosity and support.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

16 – 17 MAY – WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY

Supporting the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN promotes the Gospel through the media, supports the Bishops and the wider Church, handles national media enquiries, and provides news, resources, and training for Church spokespeople.

LITTLE PILGRIMS PLAY & PRAY



Our group for parents and toddlers (0-4 years) **Meets every Monday during school term time** (except bank holidays) 10:00-11:30 in the parish hall.

An opportunity for mums and dads with toddlers to share parenting experience, to pray together and for children to play. Mums and dads expecting a baby are also very welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Next Class: Session 9: Sat 9 May
Session 10: Sat 16 May
Next Parents Meeting: Fri 15 May at 7pm
Key Dates: Sun 21 June 12pm: FHC Mass

MC VESTMENTS – AN OPPORTUNITY

We are very fortunate to have three dedicated parish MCs who support the clergy in preparing and coordinating our liturgies. Their service helps ensure that our worship is both prayerful and well-ordered. Thanks to the generosity of a kind donor, we have been offered funding towards the purchase of new vestments, enabling us to provide matching sets. We would now like to invite other parishioners to consider contributing towards this meaningful project, helping to further enhance the dignity and beauty of the sacred liturgy.

Vestments are a significant investment due to limited specialist suppliers: a cassock typically costs around £350, a cotta £100, and a cincture (cord) £20. However, they are made to last for many years and represent a lasting gift to the parish. This could also be a meaningful way to make a donation in memory of a loved one.

Donations can be made by the Dona machines at the back of the church or by the envelopes available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Pray for our five candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 10th May



ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSHINGHAM

Saturday 27 June 2026

Archbishop John will lead the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to the National Catholic Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham on the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Programme: Private prayer in the Slipper Chapel (10.30am); Adoration and Confessions in the Basilica (11am); Mass with Archbishop John (12pm); Lunch in the gardens; Procession to the Abbey Grounds for Benediction (2.15pm); Departure (4.30pm). Please email the Parish Office if you are interested in attending.



ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL UPCOMING EVENTS LAMBETH ROAD, SE1 6HR

Encounter Pentecost - Sat 23 May 2026

Join the Southwark Archdiocese Catholic Charismatic team for a day of worship, prayer, and fellowship at St George's Cathedral to celebrate Pentecost. Open to all, concludes with the Vigil Mass of Pentecost. Full programme at encounterpentecost.com

CELEBRATE YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The annual Marriage Mass will take place at St George's Cathedral on July 11 at 3pm. Couples celebrating their first, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later anniversary this year are invited to apply for places. You will receive a personal invitation to the Mass from Archbishop John Wilson and have an opportunity to renew your marriage vows. Apply to: mflsw@rcaos.org.uk

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Parish Collection	£392
Parish Dona	£292
Standing Orders	£568
Organ Fund Collection	£115
Organ Fund Dona	£29



9 - 10 May

Welcome and Coffee: E. Falcone, A. Oliva

Readers: SAT: First Holy Communion children

SUN: L. Brown, H. Walker

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Flowers: C. Nartey

16 - 17 May

Welcome & Coffee: L. Northeast, M. Ascensao

Readers: SAT: First Holy Communion children

SUN: W. Hornsby, H. Walker

Flowers: L. Northeast

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Meet 11am-1pm, 2nd Saturday of the Month. **Next meet: 13 JUNE**

DIARY DATES AT-A-GLANCE:

10 May | 2pm, Confirmation Mass

29 May | 1.30am, Film Club, Parish Hall