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**Newsletter for Sunday, 8th June 2025 – Pentecost Sunday**

**Mass Books: Vigil, Page 278. Day Mass, p 287. Psalter: Week 2.**

**We pray for** St Thomas of Canterbury Parish, Brandon, the Holy Land, Ukraine and the Catholics in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and the SVP in Kerala, India.

**Times of Mass this week**

**Memorial Acc: When we eat...**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.30 pm,</b>		<i>John Reddway RIP</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am,</b>	<i>Special intentions, J D'Souza &amp; Family</i>	
	<b>11.00 am,</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.30 am, Mary, Mother of the Church</b>		
	<i>Thanksgiving – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood</i>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.30 pm, Feria</b>	<i>Special intention</i>	

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>St Barnabas</b>	<b>No Mass today</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>Jesus, Eternal High Priest</b>	<b>No Mass today</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12.15 pm,</b>	<b>St Anthony of Padua</b>	<i>Private intention - Dente</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00 am, Our Lady</b>	<i>Gerda &amp; David Gibbs RIP</i>	
	<b>6.30 pm, (Trinity Sunday)</b>	<i>Billy Robinson RIP</i>	

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):** Saturday at 10.30 am or by appointment.

**NO Teas and coffees after Mass today.** Tea and coffee donations (for CAFOD and Cambodia) for April and May came to £186. Thank you very much.

**NO Children's Liturgy at 11.00 am Mass today. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday, 11.40 am – 12.10 pm**

**PARISH BBQ - TODAY FROM 12 NOON** Suggested donation (cash on the door), to cover the cost of food - adults £5, children free. See you then!

**A VERY WARM WELCOME TO THOSE VISITING US FOR THIS WEEKEND** and especially to **Father Gerard O'Leary** of the Diocese of Limerick, Ireland, who is a lifelong friend of Father David. Next door neighbours, they began school days together and attended each other's First Holy Communion and Ordinations. **FATHER JOHN** is getting on well with his recovery after his recent operation. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

**DAY FOR LIFE NEXT SUNDAY** There will be a Retiring Collection next weekend for Life Charities.

**EASTER COMMUNION** Next Sunday is the last day for making your Easter Communion.

**2025 LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - AUGUST 22ND - 29TH** If you are interested in attending or volunteering on the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, please refer to the poster in the Church porch. If you have any questions, you can email Olivia Seidler at [olivia@catholicassociation.co.uk](mailto:olivia@catholicassociation.co.uk)

**CATHOLIC EAST ANGLIA** Please take your free copy of the June issue of the newspaper of the Diocese of East Anglia.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to the army of volunteers who descended on the church yesterday and gave every part a thorough clean and polish.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – SVP National Pilgrimage to Walsingham and Sacrament of the Sick on 6<sup>th</sup> July.** Bishop Peter will lead the Pilgrimage. Mass starts at 1.45pm. Transport will be arranged. Please sign up at the back of church. See posters in the church porch.

**WE PRAY for all our sick and housebound and for the Anniversaries of** Patrick Deniand, Tony Demming, Anthony Sullivan, James Harrison, Stanislaw Pevec, Patrick Smith, George Michajluk, Catherine Neville, and Terence Hughes. May they rest in peace.

**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND, Parish** £709.66 (Standing Orders average £590). **Catholic Communications Service** £93. Thank you all very much.

**For the Catholic Chaplain in Addenbrooke's,** call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. **Relationship difficulties** Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380.

**Coming up: Apologies that there'll be no Mass on Wednesday or Thursday this week.** Day off on Wednesday and Diocesan Celebration of Priesthood and Jubilees with the Bishop at Poringland on Thursday. **SVP** meets this Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, at 10.15 am.

**Every blessing for the coming week, Deacon Paul and Father David.**

## Prayers of the Faithful – Pentecost Sunday

Priest: The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness when we cannot find words in order to pray properly. Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our petitions before our God and Father.

Reader:

We pray for the Church: may she be enriched by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to go out and boldly proclaim the Good News...  
Lord, hear us.

For the pastors of God's Church: for Pope Leo and for Bishop Peter, for Father David as he celebrates his Fortieth Anniversary and for Father John as he continues his recovery from his operation...  
Lord, hear us.

For the suffering peoples of Ukraine, the Holy Land and other places of conflict: may the Holy Spirit breathe upon them, bringing gifts of peace and reconciliation...  
Lord, hear us.

For our children preparing for their First Holy Communion, for young people undertaking examinations at this time and for all their families  
Lord, hear us.

For those who are infirm and elderly and for all who are sick or suffering, in body or in mind...  
Lord, hear us.

For all who have died recently, those whose anniversaries occur this week, and for all the faithful departed, that the Lord may grant them eternal rest...  
Lord, hear us.

We pause to pray in the silence of our hearts...

Like the first disciples gathered in prayer around Mary, the Mother of Jesus, let us confidently seek the help of her prayers: Hail Mary...  
Priest:

God of glory, may your Holy Spirit be our Helper, to comfort and to strengthen us in bearing witness to your eternal love, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.



