



St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

Fir Tree Grove, Carshalton, SM5 4NG

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Sunday Masses: 6.00pm (Sat), 9.30am & 11.00am

Priest: Fr Anthony Uche, OP

Weekday Masses: 9.30am (& 10.00am Sat)

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Holy Days of Obligation: 10.00am & 7.30pm

Email: carshaltonbeeches@rcaos.org.uk

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30-11.00am & 5.15 - 5.45pm & at call

A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors



24th May 2020 [Cycle A Year 2]

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-14 | Psalm 26

1 Peter 4:13-16 | John 17:1-11

Pentecost Novena 2020

The Pentecost novena will take place this year in conjunction with the May devotions. It will start on Friday 22nd May and take place every evening until Saturday 30th June. It will last approximately 15 minutes. The focus will be on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. You are very welcome to join us for all or part of the programme **after the 6pm Mass** (about 6.35pm).

[Unfortunately, we will be unable to provide dove biscuits and fire buns on Pentecost Sunday, but hopefully next year....]

The following prayers will be prayed at the Novena. You might like to join in:

(1) Prayer of consecration to the Holy Spirit

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I offer myself body and soul to You, eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice and the might of Your love. You are the strength and light of my soul. In You I live and move. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light and listen to Your voice and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You, by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced feet of Jesus and looking at His five wounds and trusting in His precious blood and adoring His opened side and stricken heart, I implore You adorable Spirit, helper of my infirmity, to keep me in your grace that I may never sin against You. Give me grace, O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere "speak Lord for your servant is listening." Amen. *continued over...*

(2) Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Lord Jesus Christ, before ascending into heaven You promised to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of your apostles and disciples. Grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and only desire the things that are eternal; the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth; the Spirit of Counsel that I may always choose the way of pleasing God and gaining heaven; the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation; the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and myself and grow perfect on the path to holiness; the Spirit of Piety that I may seek to serve God and His Church and the Spirit of Fear and Awe that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of Your true disciples and inspire me in all things with your Spirit. Amen. *Mary Ryan*



Daily May Devotions continue:

4pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament;
5pm Rosary & Evening Prayer;
6pm Mass.

Mass Intentions and Diary for the Week

Saturday 23	9.30am 6pm	Brendan Thomas Soane May Devotion + Novena
Sunday 24	9.30am 11.30am 6pm	Danuta Chmielinska (RIP) Heard & Foster Family May Devotion + Novena
Monday 25 <i>St Bede</i>	9.30am 6pm	Amor Johnson May Devotion + Novena
Tuesday 26 <i>St Philip Neri</i>	9.30am 6pm	People of the Parish May Devotion + Novena
Wed. 27 <i>St Augustine</i>	9.30am 6pm 8pm	Myles Osigwelem May Devotion + Novena Bible Study (zoom)
Thursday 28	9.30am 6pm	Carla Doran (RIP) May Devotion + Novena
Friday 29 <i>St Paul VI</i>	9.30am 6pm	Nwozuzu Family May Devotion + Novena
Saturday 30	9.30am 6pm	People of the Parish May Devotion + Novena
Sunday 31 <i>Pentecost</i>	9.30am 11.30am 6pm	TBD Nwozuzu Family, Amor Johnson & Myles May Devotion

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**This Month's Winning
Numbers (May)**

1st Prize £50 Winning Number: **50**
2nd Prize £25 Winning Number: **17**
3rd Prize £10 Winning Number: **94**

1st Prize **£200** Winning Number: **59**
2nd Prize **£100** Winning Number: **135**
3rd Prize **£50** Winning Number: **104**

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Mary's Meals

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, founder of Mary's Meals has recorded a special message for our parishioners. You can find his message, filmed outside the shed in Argyll where it all began for Mary's Meals, using this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h9e_zhu98HY&feature=youtu.be.

Rosie Westcott, a volunteer at Mary's Meals said "I hope you will help to spread the word about our beautiful mission by sharing it on your website or social media channels. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like a children's activity pack, based on the story of Mary's Meals. This is available to download at https://d1345tgc1bzpm.cloudfront.net/assets/global/The_Shed_That_Fed_school_activity_book.pdf."



REMINDER: The new Club Year (2020/21) begins on 1st June. The Application Form is available to download from the St Margaret's Parish Website. To join please complete the form and send it to me. The annual subscription for an individual Number is £18 and you may apply for as many numbers as you wish. I would also like to remind all current members that annual subscriptions are now due in respect of the new Club Year. *Evelyn Druce*

Irena has a Happy Birthday

One of our older parishioners, Irena Godyn celebrated her 95th birthday last week. She writes "I am 95 and was amazed with the flowers I received from the church... Then yesterday the priest visited me to say Happy Birthday. This was so kind and I feel like a celebrity. Now I will try to live to 100, maybe I will get another visit from the priest and some flowers".

How can I request a Mass Intention during the lockdown?

Fr Anthony welcomes your requests for Masses. To 'book' a Mass you can telephone the office (020 8647 7748), or pop a letter into the presbytery letterbox. In addition, you can send an email to: carshaltonbeeche@rcaos.org.uk

Masses are streamed at 9.30am every morning and additionally at 11.30am on Sundays, plus May devotions

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI2KUNCgNkREz3TWGBy2qzw>

Our Facebook Channel is now named 'St Margaret of Scotland Carshalton Surrey'

During the pandemic, our website is being updated daily. Visit <http://stmargaretcarshaltonb.uk>. **New this week are several links to websites that can help get you through the social isolation of the lockdown.**

National Day of Prayer and Fasting for Life

On Wednesday 20th May, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed. For information on the days of Prayer and Fasting contact: The Good Counsel Network on 020 7723 1740 or visit www.goodcounselnetwork.com.

Fr. Philip Pak @ St Helier & Epsom Hospitals

Fr Philip has asked that if you know of any of our parishioners who are in St. Helier or Epsom hospitals, to let him know. You can email him at: philippak@rcaos.org.uk. He adds that at St. Helier and Epsom hospitals, we are currently caring for just over 100 patients with suspected and 52 patients with confirmed COVID-19 (as of on Sat. 16th May). And, sadly, 247 patients with COVID-19 have died. May they rest in peace.

Your Prayers are asked for:

Connie Harrington, (Lynn Pougher's mother), Angel Bridi, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Steven Conroy, Paul Field (Father Kevin's Nephew), Mike Nolan, Laura Bannon (Mia's Mother), Stephen Martin, Joe Ryan, Juliana Amaral, Nina Greenoak & Lauren Horwood (Juliana's granddaughters), Jackie Sweeney & Ray Sweeney (Ita Haines' sister-in-law's sister-in-law & son-in-law), Liz Beddoe (Lynn Pougher's sister-in-law), Nora Chapman, Margaret Fox, Angela Kelly and Roger & Adrienne Stokes (Peter's brother and sister -in-law), Catherine Roberts, Phil Quigley (Mike's brother), Carla Doran (Rosanna Mason's mother) and Theresa Fox.

Editor's note: If anyone in the list above should now be removed from the list, please email me at: carshaltonbeecheppc@rcaos.org.uk

Anniversaries in May

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur in this month of May.

Clarification of our new Parish Loan Account

Some have requested an explanation of the 'loan account' mentioned by Fr Anthony recently. It is not a loan to the Parish, rather it is simply an interest-earning deposit account operated by the Diocese for the benefit of parishes. It was recommended by the Finance Office of the Diocese. *Eamonn O'Domhnaill*

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