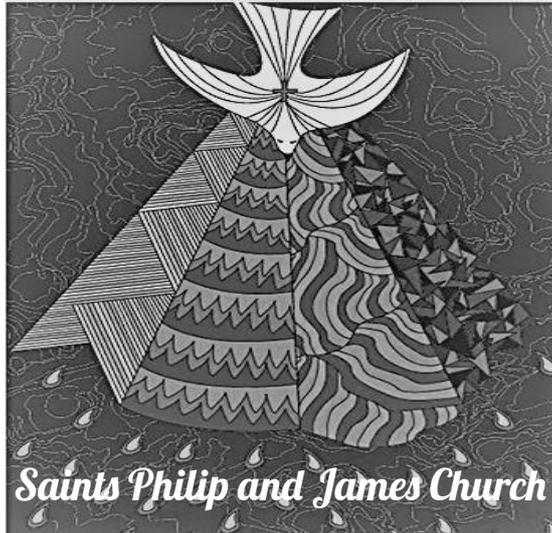
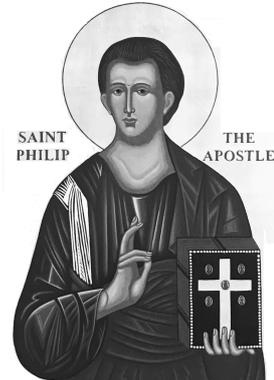


SAINT JAMES THE LESSER



Saints Philip and James Church



SAINT PHILIP THE APOSTLE

Our Parish Family:  
Cherishing the Past,  
Celebrating the Present,  
Embracing the Future.

Pentecost Sunday - Year C  
Psalter week 2  
Tenth Week in Ordinary Time  
9<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Parish Priest: Fr Wayne Coughlin

Deacons: Revv. Tony Quinlan, Crispin Walkling-Lea

**Propers for Pentecost Sunday**

**Mass Intentions and Services**

PJ – Ss Philip and James HC – Holy Cross SJR – St John Rigby

**Entrance Antiphon**

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

**Or:** The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

**First Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 103:1-24.29-31.34

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

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7.12-13

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** John 20:19-23

**Communion Antiphon**

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

**Meetings for sexual abuse victims and survivors, families and supporters**

Bishop Peter offers to meet with victims and survivors, their families and supporters on a bimonthly basis. To book a meeting with the Bishop, phone the safeguarding office on: (01604) 723514.

**Confessions on Saturday:**

Ss Philip & James:

**No confessions at PJ (Fr Wayne on retreat)**

Holy Cross

**5:15 to 5:45pm**

Confessions may be heard by arrangement or in need at a reasonable time.

**Baptisms:** by arrangement. The next baptism preparation meeting is at Ss Philip and James, 7:30pm, on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, with Deacon Tony.

**Weddings:** we need at least six months' notice with Diocesan fee of £45. Those planning to be married in either Church (and those to be married in another parish) should make contact with Fr Wayne and Deacon Crispin.

**How to ask for a Mass Intention:** Email, telephone, write a letter, drop a note, or beat a path to the Presbytery door: to Maria Quinlan, Parish Secretary at P&J. An offering is fine; it is used for the mission of the parish. Please, please, please; make names legible on all correspondence. Thank you.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Emelia Churchill** whose Funeral Mass will take place on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June at 11:00am in SsP&J.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Christina Clarke** whose funeral liturgy will take place at HC on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30am.

Please also pray for all who mourn at this time.

**Our Lady on Saturday**

Michael Treacy, Mass Intention

**Pentecost Sunday**

Mass for the Parish (Missa pro populo)

Ann and Gerry Maxwell

Stephen May - Anniversary

**Baptisms:** Sienna Maria Owens

Santino Michael Robertson

**Celebrant:** Deacon Tony Quinlan

**The BVM, Mother of the Church, Memorial**

Rachael Lea and Chris Underhill - recently married

*After the above Mass: Adoration*

**St Barnabas, Apostle - Memorial**

Liturgy of Word and Holy Communion

**Alpha** - session ends 2:45pm

**Alpha** - session ends 8:30pm

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

**Feria**

Liturgy of Word and Holy Communion

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal Priest, Feast**

Liturgy of Word and Holy Communion

**Feria**

Michael and Helen Gavin

*After the above Mass: Adoration*

Funeral Mass for **Mary Emelia Churchill**

**Our Lady on Saturday**

Liturgy of Word and Holy Communion

Edwin Hodgkiss, RIP

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**Retiring Collection for "Day for Life"**

Andrew May - Birthday

Mass for the Parish (Missa pro populo)

Thomas Donnelly - Anniversary

Sat 8 Jun

6:00pm HC

Sun 9 Jun

8:00am PJ

9:15am HC

11:00am PJ

1:00pm PJ

Mon 10 Jun

9:30am PJ

Tue 11 Jun

9:30am HC

1:30pm PJ

6:30pm HC

8:00pm HC

Wed 12 Jun

9:30am PJ

Thu 13 Jun

9:30am HC

Fri 14 Jun

9:30am HC

11:00am PJ

Sat 15 Jun

9:30am PJ

6:00pm HC

Sun 16 Jun

8:00am PJ

9:15am HC

11:00am PJ

**Morning Prayer:** before the morning Mass or Liturgy from Monday to Saturday.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** is on Mondays and Fridays, for 30 minutes; Adoration during **Alpha** at HC, 8:00pm.

Parish Priests must celebrate one Mass per weekend for the Parish.

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**Fr Wayne is the Diocesan Director of Missio.** Missio is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission and is part of the worldwide network of Pontifical Mission Societies.

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In the month of June **The Holy Father** asks us to pray for the Mode of Life of Priests.  
That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

**THANK YOU** to all our parishioners who have been praying for our **Confirmandi** and who attended the Confirmation Mass and celebrations on Thursday evening at SsP&J. Please continue to remember in your prayers the recently confirmed young people of our parishes; pray that their faith will grow and that they will find their place in the worshipping life of our community.

We also pray that the Eucharistic faith of our **First Holy Communion** candidates will grow and be nurtured by their parents in their attendance at Mass every week within our parishes. Please pray for:

**Ruby, Ryan, Evie, Brandon, Adam, Jakub, Evie, Jacob, Nicolas, Kaminjama, Jacob, James, Antonio, Nancy, Isabella, Grace, Thomas, Christine, Scarlett, Olivia, Nico, Elio, Fabio, Jamie, Rebecca, Harry and Skye.**

The **First Holy Communion** celebrations are being held on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June (Solemnity of Corpus Christi) at the 9:15am and 11:00am Masses; these are likely to be very full with guests of the candidates.

#### **Week of Guided Prayer - this week: 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> June**

Our Week of Guided Prayer commences next Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Parish Room at SsP&J. We are looking forward to meeting all of those who signed up at the beginning of May. Please pray for the success of this week.

#### **Liam Castle**

On Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June our seminarian Liam Castle will be admitted to the rite of Candidacy at St Mary's College, Oscott. This is an important stage before Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood and the moment when the Church officially recognises and publicly declares a man has a calling to the ordained ministry. Please continue to pray for Liam in the final steps in his journey toward ordination.

**Fr Wayne** is away this week attending the Mass at which Liam Castle will be admitted as a candidate for Holy Orders and shall also be present for the three-day residential AGM of Missio.

**Save the Date. Daniel Rooke**, one of the Bedford seminarians, will be ordained as a transitional Deacon on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> June at St Mary's College, Oscott. On **Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June (Solemnity of Ss Peter and Paul)** he will be serving as the (sole) Deacon at the 11:00am Mass at **St Philip and St James Church**. This will be his first Mass serving as a Deacon and he will be offering the homily. I do hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend this particular Mass that weekend which will be a very special occasion for Daniel and his family. Refreshments will follow to which all are invited.

#### **Ecumenical Hog Roast - what was there not to like?!**

Over 200 people of all ages attended the launch event of **North Bedford Churches Together**, given we were 'competing' with the Champions League Football Final this was a double success! Holy Cross was the host for the Christian celebrations which included representatives from the Anglican, Methodist, non-denominational and Catholic traditions. The event started with us acknowledging the unity we share through Holy Baptism but accepting that which divides us remains a source of deep pain. The delicious food of roast-pork and stuffing rolls with lavish salads, desserts and copious drinks meant that everyone who attended enjoyed themselves; the late hour at which people departed was testament that new friendships were made and 'old' friends were reunited. Before the food was blessed by the ministers, entertainment for our young people was provided by the Northampton Diocesan Youth Minister (Neil Roseman) and Joan Kedward. More information from Peter Gerrish: hawberry@gmail.com



**Group photograph** (photographer *Charles Moubarak*) From left: **Simon Dommert** (St Mary's Church); **Cass Howes** (Methodist Minister); **Kate Scott** (Elstow Abbey); **Caroline Weaver** (Putnoe Ecumenical Church); and our very own... **Fr Wayne**

#### **Sacramental Preparation Application Forms**

The closing date Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019. **First Holy Communion** application forms can be collected in person from Joan Kedward. Email the Parish Secretary to arrange a meeting with Joan after a Sunday Mass at either church. **Confirmation** application forms are available in the narthex.

#### **Meanwhile, Alpha continues...**

Alpha continues this Tuesday and you are all still welcome (PJ: 1:30pm - 2:45pm and HC: 6:30pm - 8:30pm). Contact Sheila (HC Parish Secretary) if you can attend either session. It is important that we pray for our Alpha volunteers and participants. There is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday: from approximately 8:00pm to 8:30pm in the small meeting room at HC.

**ALPHA Retreat Day** Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019: from 10am to 3:30pm at the Stables Christian Centre, Bolnhurst. **Got questions about the Holy Spirit?** Lunch provided; friendship and fun guaranteed. A couple of places remaining. For more information contact Joan at [joan.kedward@gmail.com](mailto:joan.kedward@gmail.com)

#### **From the Catholic Herald, Pope Francis**

"It is not a good habit to be looking at the clock" and calculating how much of the beginning [or end] of Mass would be OK to miss and still fulfil one's obligation, he said. Get to Mass early – not late, he said, because it is during the introductory rites that "we begin to adore God as a community" and "to prepare the heart for this celebration with the community." The Pope continued his series of audience talks on the Mass, reflecting on the introductory rites. "Understanding these holy signs is necessary in order to fully experience the Mass and savour all of its beauty," he said. The gestures that accompany the Mass "risk going unnoticed," he said, but they "are very significant because they express from the start that the Mass is an encounter of love with Christ," who offers his body on the cross, becoming victim and priest. After the entrance, the celebrant bows and kisses the altar as an expression of veneration because the altar is a symbol of Christ, the Pope said. Everyone gathers around the altar, "not to look at each other. No. But to look at Christ," who is at the centre of the community - not far away." We all want our churches to be places of encounter with Christ and where everyone who enters is made to feel welcome. Accordingly, we understand there may be times when through no fault of our own we arrive late or leave early from Mass (such as having to care for a sick relative) but this should not be our normal practice. Arriving in good time for the offering of the sacred mysteries and remaining until the joyful obligation is completed, as Pope Francis encourages, allows us to better participate in the awe-filled celebration and thus to see and hear Christ in the drama of the liturgy and in the Sacred Scriptures.

#### **Newsletter Graphics**

Hopefully you will have noticed the subtle changes to the Newsletter over time. The latest set of front-page-headers are taken by me, the Editor, but are inspired by the excellent photographs taken by Bram Walking-Lea for the 2019 joint parish calendar. I thought he deserved a mention!

Our **Hospital Chaplain** at South Wing is **Fr Nathaniel Onwuekwe**. If you or a loved one are admitted and in need of sacramental care, contact him at St Joseph's Presbytery: (01234) 352569. He regularly visits the hospital on Fridays and celebrates Mass in the chapel at 12:15pm.

#### **Summer Camp, 4<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> August**

NYMO, our diocesan youth ministry office, wish to invite all young people of secondary school age, to this year's Summer Camp. With the opportunity to sleep in a castle and experience amazing outdoor activities, alongside a day at Alton Towers and a mystery day out! All this alongside daily Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration. Cost is a minimum donation of £205 (subsidised) to an actual cost of £295. More info at [www.nymo.org](http://www.nymo.org) or call Fiona on 01582 720627.

#### **CHISEN Quiz Night - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30pm: [www.chisenfoundation.org](http://www.chisenfoundation.org)**

Christ the King Hall. Contact Teresa on 07989 506625 for tickets at £5 each.

**CHISEN** supports children with special needs and disabilities.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**, it's rota time again! Narthex!

**Volunteer rotas:** folders in the narthex.

#### **The weekly collections**

Last week's collection for PJ was: Open Plate £445.55p Envelopes £179.52p

Last week's collection for HC was: Open Plate £480.97p Envelopes £175.70p

Retiring Collection for Mass Media: PJ £64.60p and HC £151.33p

PJ collects £48 per week in standing orders with £31 per week direct to the Diocese. HC is £620 per week.

Retiring collection Next weekend: **Day for Life**