# St Columba’s Church, Selsdon

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**19 MAY 2024 – PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR B**

**THIS SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS**

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

**First Reading:** Acts of the Apostles: 2:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

**Second Reading**: St Paul to the Galatians 5:16-25

**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 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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

**THIS WEEK’S MASSES**

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| **Date** | **Mass** | **Time** | **Intention** |
| Sun 19 May | **PENTECOST SUNDAY***Day of Prayer for the Church* | 6pm (Sat) | Pro Populo |
| 9am | Margaret Duke, RIP |
| 11am | Jack & Helena Hurley, RIP |
| Mon 20 May | Mary, Mother of the Church | 10am | Desmond Sherrif, RIP & Lorna – well-being |
| Tues 21 May | St. Christopher of Magallanes | 9.30am | **Requiem: Erin O`Donnell** |
| Wed 22 May | St. Rita of Cascia, Religious | 10am | Veronica Moor, birthday (SVP) |
| Thurs 23 May | Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest | **No Mass** |  |
| Fri 24 May | Weekday | 10am | Jeanette Reid – well-being |
| Sat 25 May | St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church | 10.30am | Priest`s Intention |
| Sun 26 May | **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY** | 6pm (Sat) | Gabriel Molloy, RIP (2nd. Anniv.) |
| 9am | Pro Populo |
| 11am | Evelyn & Patrick Fletcher, RIP |

* Weekday Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer (at 9.40am).
* This Tuesday the Requiem Mass for Erin O`Donnell will be celebrated at 9.30am so there will be no 10.00am Mass, nor Exposition.
* Friday’s Mass is followed by the Rosary.
* There are devotions to Our Lady on Saturday mornings at 10am.
* Confessions: every Saturday after morning Mass and from 5.30-5.45pm.

**COLLECTION** May 4/5th: basket £528.55 (Gift Aid £230), card machine £116.50 (Gift Aid £91.50). May 11/12th: basket £435.63 (Gift Aid £186.90), card machine £147.00 (Gift Aid £72). Catholic Communication Network collection: basket £206.19, card machine £20 (Gift Aid £20). Thank you for your generosity.

**GIFT AID** Would Gift Aid members please help themselves to the unclaimed boxes. If you are a taxpayer, consider signing up for Gift Aid. If you give £10 to St Columba’s and an extra £2.50 is received. Contact Deacon Philip for more details.

**RECENTLY DECEASED Erin O`Donnell** died on April 30th, aged 14. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am on Tuesday, 21st May, followed by cremation at Croydon Crematorium at 12.15pm. Please pray for the repose of her soul, and please pray for her bereaved family: Paul and Zoe, her parents, and Dara, her sister.

*Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*

**SUMMER FAYRE** It will be held on 2 June, 10am to 1pm. There is a box in the church porch for donations towards this fundraising event raising funds for St. Columba’s church maintenance. Needed are: bottles (lots please), jewellery, bric’a’brac (in very good condition), cosmetics and raffle prizes (all sorts). Please give generously and well before the day. Cakes will be requested the weekend before with a pledge sheet.

**NEXT WEEKEND’S READERS, BIDDING PRAYERS WRITER & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Readers: Saturday 6pm Deirdre, Sunday 9am Adrian, 11am Sybille. Bidding Prayers writer: TBC. Eucharistic ministers: Saturday 6pm Anne & Carmel, Sunday 9am Malliga & Maria, 11am Marion & Mary

**CONFIRMATION** The application forms must be returned by 12noon today (19 May – Pentecost) in person.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Today, at the 11am Mass, we welcome our children who received Our Lord in the Eucharist for the first time yesterday. After Mass there will be a ‘breakfast’ in the hall, to which all are invited.

**BIBLE STUDY** The next session will be on May 22nd at 10.30am in the hall, continuing with ‘The Prophets’, notably Ezekiel & Daniel.

**CARJ (The Catholic Association for Racial Justice)** was founded 40 years ago and to mark the anniversary there will be a meeting on Sat 25th May at Amigo Hall, St Georges Cathedral, London SE1 7HY at 10:30am. All are welcome, there will be a free lunch & a sung Mass. For further information please visit http://www.carj.org.uk

**MISSIO** Can all Missio Red Box holders please bring in their boxes to be emptied and then collect the following week from the porch. If you would like a box, please get in touch with Mary Mills on 07702 090711.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES** This week we have Gill’s Keep Fit on Monday 20th 10.45-11.45am (020 8651 4076); Sue’s Yoga Class on Thursday 23rd 7-8pm (suenelligan@yahoo.co.uk); and the Art Group on Friday 24th 10.30am-1.30pm (020 8651 0863). Newcomers and beginners are all welcome.

**TOILETS – AGAIN!** We have paid £300 to unblock the Ladies toilet (caused by selfish people putting nappies & other material down in spite of very clear instructions not to do so) & to mend the flush handle in the Gents toilet which had been, effectively, vandalised. All payments derive from parish funds to which parishioners contribute in the main collection. Think of the money wasted which could be spent on more worthwhile parish projects!

**FOOD BANK** Supplies have been depleted so there is great need for milk, cereal, pasta sauce, tinned meat, tinned veg, tinned fruit, washing powder, shampoo, pasta, soup and biscuits. Thank you for all your support

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY** Make a note: celebrate St Columba’s feast day with a bring-a-plate international lunch at noon on June 9th. Also, a healing Mass will be celebrated by Fr Roy Tablizo at 2.30pm on July 20th.

**DIVINE MERCY** There will be a recollection day at the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk on June 1st 11am to 4.30pm. All are welcome. Phone 07957 594 646 for the itinerary & details including coaches from London.

**ABORTION CAMPAIGN** On May 21st please pray and fast for the end of abortion in this country. Thousands of mothers have continued their pregnancies in very difficult circumstances thanks to the Good Counsel Network. Please help them to help save lives with your prayers, fasting and support. For details see: <http://www.GoodCounselNetwork.com>

**PAINT PURLEY PURPLE** This campaign will be launched at the Purley Festival in September. The organisers will ‘cover’ c.70 trees and benches in purple to publicise the help and support available to cancer sufferers. If you are a knitter, they would love to hear from you! For more details visit <https://www.sechc.org.uk/>

**COVID INJECTIONS** Free at the Selsdon Library on May 25th, June 8th & 22nd 10am to 3pm. Bring your NHS number.

**LAST CHANCE TO RENEW YOUR MARRIAGE VOWS** Celebrating a special wedding anniversary this year? If so, you are invited to a Mass at St George’s Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on July 13th. Family members can come too. In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk giving your names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish. The deadline for applying is May 31st.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY** Rob Adams, Jean-Claude Anthony, Alice Barclay, Maria Baretto, Rene Barrett,

Brigid Beck, John Belli, Florinda & Simon Cardoso, Maureen Coffey, Joan D`Souza, Vera de Souza, Una Dunne, Irena Dziewulak, Eowen Egan, Bernardo, Manuel & Maria Fernandes, Judy Freegard, Joan Hammett, Prema Meeweller, Tony Melvin, Veronica Moor, Jill & Jim O`Donnell, Vivian Okehie, Pedrinha Ramos, Elida Scasso, Sean Walsh, Jacqueline Wheatley and Elizabeth Williamson. People related to parishioners for whom we pray as well are: Patrick Acholonu, Margaret Bolton, Ann Brennan, Mike Goodwin, Christopher Onyeachom, Jonathan Raki, Kathleen Sampson, Michael Skinner, Pat Taylor, David Wallace, Linda & Michael Watson and Magdalene Wong.

**OUR SAFEGUARDING TEAM** Itconsists of Safeguarding Officer Gill Tomei T:07787 824592

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