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In Church

We are now in the Novena between Ascension and Pentecost. Please make a special effort to pray each day for a renewal of Faith in the Church and our society. If possible, come to Mass each day or on an extra day.

Saturday 15th May

Vigil Mass 7th Sunday of Easter 6.00pm Sacred Heart [click here to book](#)

Sunday 16th May

Mass 7th Sunday of Easter 9.30am Sacred Heart [click here to book](#)

Mass 7th Sunday of Easter 11.15am Holy Saviour [click here to book](#)

Monday 17th May 6.30pm Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Tuesday 18th May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

12.30pm Sacred Heart Funeral Service Julie Pratt RIP
(family invitations only)

Wednesday 19th May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Thursday 20th May 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction

6.30pm Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Friday 21st May 10.00am Sacred Heart Mass [click here to book](#)

Saturday 22nd May 11.00am - 11.30am Sacred Heart
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
There will be Exposition during this time.

Saturday 23rd May

Vigil Mass Pentecost Sunday 6.00pm Sacred Heart [click here to book](#)

Sunday 24th May

Mass Pentecost Sunday 9.30am Sacred Heart [click here to book](#)

Mass Pentecost Sunday 11.15am Holy Saviour [click here to book](#)

Exposition, Evening Prayer and Benediction 6.00pm Sacred Heart.

Sunday Prayer Resource – “The Lord's Day at Home”

For those still at home and not attending Mass the Liturgy Office has prepared a service called “The Lord's Day at Home”, based on the Sunday Scriptures, that you can pray on your own or with your family. It is particularly aimed at those not able to follow a Mass on the internet.

These are available for this Sunday and Ascension Thursday

[LDAH - Ascension](#) [LDAH - Easter 7B](#)

Novena of Prayer leading to the Feast of Pentecost.

As we lead up to the Feast of the Holy Spirit we are reminded that Jesus told us, as he Ascended to the Father, "I will be with you all days, even to the end of the world."

We are invited to consider how he keeps that promise.

We must understand it in union with who he is. He is the Word made flesh and dwelling amongst us. Also before he departed he gave us again his Flesh (and Blood) in the Eucharist and told us to do this in memory of Him. He also told us in his last instruction to teach all nations and Baptise them. Put all this together and we quickly realise that his REAL presence amongst us is achieved in Baptism, in uniting his Body with ours in the Eucharist and in receiving the Holy Spirit and being filled with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God, the very essence of God permeating us and bringing us to the point where we can say, "In Him I live and move and have my being," and again with St. Paul, "I live, no it is not I who lives, God gives me life. God lives in me."

As Catholics we know that it is by being Sacramental Christians that Jesus is Really and physically present among us by being really and physically present within us. This is why the Sacraments are vitally important.

We have mentioned Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, but the other Sacraments of Reconciliation, Marriage, Holy Orders and the Sacrament of the Sick are also real ways of making ourselves real conduits of the presence of Christ to others, and they are not optional extras, or bolt-ons in a computer programme. They are given to us because they are essential not only for us, but for others in the Church and in the society with whom we bounce along and interact, bringing Christ to them.

We have been Sacramentally deprived, as a Church, for over a year. We need to ask ourselves, do I still have the REAL and active presence of Christ in me? Do people meet Christ in me before I even open my mouth, or am I running on empty? Ticking over on fumes?

We need to review and renew our Sacramental Life. We need to pray deeply for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is falling into disuse. It is the Sacrament of Divine Mercy. We cannot ignore it and tell God we are ok without it.

Father Gerard is offering extended times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at **Christ Church**.

Don't be shy at using this opportunity to renew the bonds of love and mercy with our loving, merciful God.

Times of Exposition and Reconciliation at Christ Church

Thursday 13th May: after 10.00am Mass until 12.00noon.

(Feast of the Ascension)

Saturday 15th May: Children's Reconciliation 10.00am & 11.30am

Weekdays from Monday 17th May - Friday 21st May: every evening from 6.00pm—7.30pm

Thursday 20th May: after 10.00am Mass until 12.00noon.

Saturday 22nd May: 9.30am - 12.00noon



Advance notice: **Pentecost Sunday** (23rd May). We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm until Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6.20pm at Sacred Heart. You are all most welcome! Please join us.