

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm
Sunday 9.30am
11.00am
Spanish Mass 12.30pm
Mon to Sat 10am
Vigil Ascension of the Lord
Wed 6.30pm
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Thurs 6.30pm

## Sacrament of Confession

If you would like Confession, please see a Priest/Email/Call the Parish Office.

#### Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm (Lunch 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

### **Holy Hour**

Will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month after the 10am Mass. The hour will include Rosary, Litany of Our Lady, Divine Mercy and Benediction.

### Saints Days

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> - SS Philip & James Tue 4<sup>th</sup> -The English Martyrs Wed 5<sup>th</sup> St. Peregrine of Flori Sat 8<sup>th</sup> - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother and Mediatrix of Grace

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Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year B) 9<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**Sunday Reflection:** "Love one another, as I have loved you" - On Easter Day we were asked: "Do you believe in God?" Naturally, we all responded, "I do". Our common belief in God gathers us together again for Eucharist today. But how do we envisage God? Today's readings give us a very clear and unambiguous reply. 'God is love' and 'I choose you'. Our God is a loving God who has freely chosen to love us into existence and to hold us in love throughout our lives. Love is the heart of Jesus' Gospel. Love is from God and everyone who loves is a child of God. We cannot think of God, according to St John, without thinking of love: "God is Love". Jesus knows this in the depth of his heart and life. He knows the Father is love and love is self-giving; "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you". Jesus is the Incarnation of the Father's love. He is the expression of God's love that our human minds can understand and grasp. The love of Jesus for his disciples is the same love that exists between Jesus and His father. The disciples are exhorted to "Remain in my love". They are to immerse themselves in that communion of love, and then they can 'love one another as I have loved you'. The disciples dispense what they receive. A radiator cannot give out heat unless it has first received heat. The love Jesus shared with his disciples was the love Jesus received from the Father and invites them to share with others. In that way we continue his loving presence and saving mission in the world. The love we see in Jesus is a love that is self-giving. The supreme act of love is to lay down your life for the sake of others. Jesus shows that there is no greater love. It takes him to the Cross, but the Father's love raises him up and confirms Him as the source of love and life for all. We engage in that self-giving love assured of God's approval.

**Feast Ascension** – The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord is on Thursday next 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and is a Holy Day. The Vigil Mass of the Ascension is on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm. Holy Day Masses will be at 10am and 6.30pm.

**Confirmation 2019/2020** – Celebration will be held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 10am. Those who were already on the course which got interrupted by Covid will be completed with a Celebration on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. Two Meetings will be held in preparation in the Church on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm. Candidates please attend these sessions.

**New Financial Year** – Parishioners who are members of our planned giving scheme, your new box of envelopes are ready to be collected from the Parish Office.

**Christian Aid Week** – From 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May – "This climate crisis hurts us all. But people living in poverty fight the worst of it every day". Envelopes are available in the Colonnade for donations. We trust you will be generous and supportive of those in need by giving generously to the good work of Christian Aid.