



Saint Joseph's Passionist Church  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
24<sup>th</sup> MAY 2026

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**This Week at St. Joseph's :**  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May : NO CCD**  
**12.30 Mass : CONFIRMATIONS**  
**Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May : Bible**  
**Study at 10.30am**  
**Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> May : Young**  
**Adults Group at 7.30pm**

**CONFIRMATIONS 2026**  
**Congratulations to our 35**  
**Confirmandi in the CCD**  
**programme who were confirmed**  
**today at 12.30pm by Père Brice de**  
**Malherbe, Episcopal Vicar of the**  
**Diocese of Paris.**

**Thank you to Père Brice de**  
**Malherbe and a big Thank You to**  
**our Teachers and Assistants for**  
**bringing our children to this day.**

**MASS INTENTIONS :**  
**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 6.30pm, Emily Gonzaga &**  
**Family's Intentions**  
**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> May , 11.00am, Tina Geraldine**  
**Menezes-Jackson, 1<sup>st</sup> Death Anniv**  
**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> May , 8.30am, Zenaida de Luna,**  
**RIP**

**COLLECTIONS : Masses 16/17 May :**  
**Collections : 3027,92€; CC : 1011,00€.**  
**Shrines : 150,34€; CC : 39,00€.**  
**Coffee : 38,01€. Bookstall : 127,00€.**

**Don't FORGET : Next SUNDAY,**  
**31<sup>st</sup> MAY : SUMMER FAIR**



St Joseph's Summer Fair on 31  
May,

- delicious food from different countries
  - great Tombola prizes
  - win a bottle or two at the Bottle Stall
  - find interesting goodies at the Bric-a-Brac
  - support "St Joseph's Brocante" - arts/crafts/other goodies
  - Dancing & singing for all
- Come join in the fun!!  
**Dress code: Traditional attire from your country of origin - celebrate your culture!!!**

**Summer Fair Talent show:** want to perform a dance or sing during the 31 May Summer Fair?  
Registrations open to one & all :)  
Please contact [yagparis@yahoo.com](mailto:yagparis@yahoo.com) / 0619302400 for more info

**SUMMER FAIR Bottle Stall - Donations Needed**

We would be grateful for donations of a bottle of any liquid (e.g. wine, juice, toiletries, etc.).  
Please ensure bottles are new, unopened and in date.

**Bric-a-Brac Stall - Donations Needed**

We would be very grateful for donations of good-quality bric-a-brac for our parish stall.  
Items should be clean, in good condition and suitable for resale.



Pentecost Sunday

Consoled by the Spirit

The Holy Spirit is called the Paraclete, the Consoler, because he gives souls in exile a happiness that is not incompatible with grief, but rather supposes it. Therefore, in the Mass of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit is called "*Consolator optime*—Best Consoler."...

When Jesus Christ our Lord came into this world, when he consummated his work and transformed all existence, he did not eliminate pain.... He did something greater and finer. He enclosed it in joy and arranged it so that perfect joy would blossom from its depths. The joy that enfolds grief, that is the blossoming flower of suffering, is called "consolation," the consolation poured into our heart by the Paraclete.

May we not say that the consolations of human life are as a reflection of the deep, ineffable happiness that Jesus carried within him? In this regard we must marvel at the wondrous soul of Christ; therein, during his mortal life, pain and happiness existed together, bound by the golden ring of his unspeakable love.

The Christian life is a reflection of the life of Jesus. The heart of the Christian is the image of the divine heart. It can contain, if it is faithful to Jesus, both deep pain and celestial consolations. Happiness enfolding pain—happiness that is born of pain—is the consolation that the Holy Spirit gives to souls.

And if the Holy Spirit is the Consoler, it is because he is infinite Love. Even in human life, if we consider attentively, we shall understand that the only thing that can console us is love. Knowledge is precious, but it does not console. Art delights us, but its object is not to console; the only thing that consoles is love. When our heart is torn to pieces, when great bitterness fills our souls, nothing but a divine reality can assuage our pain—love: love that knows how to bind divinely both pain and grief. Love alone possesses the heavenly secret of drawing forth happiness from profound sorrow and pain.

*Servant of God Luis María Martínez*