

Preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion

(Second Class Level) May 2021

May is the Month of Mary

You might like to set up a May Altar in your house.

A statue of Mary

Rosary beads

Bible open at Luke 1:46-56 with Mary giving praise to God for all that she has been given.

Some flowers



Celebrate May as the month to give thanks to God for every gift in our lives and to pray for what we need.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion is a commitment to live and practice faith within the parish community.

Continuing Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

The teachers are teaching the *Grow in Love* programme in our schools. It is important to connect with all that the children learn in school.

The prayers for the Mass and for First Reconciliation have been provided to you in recent newsletters. The easiest way to learn the prayers of the Mass is usually by attendance in the church but as churches are now open the numbers that may attend is restricted so that it may or may not be possible for you to attend. Please join in the Mass online, if you cannot attend, and all will have the opportunity to say the prayers as they present in the Mass. See www.palmerstownparish.com to access the webcam.

Pentecost Sunday 23 May 2021

Jesus returned to his friends on Easter Sunday as our Risen Saviour. Jesus spent forty days showing his friends how to continue the mission of sharing the Good News of God's love for all before he returned to the Father in Heaven on Ascension Thursday. Jesus' friends hid in the Upper Room, afraid and lonely, until God sent his Spirit to fill them with all the courage they needed to face the world and to be brave about their belief and faith.

Pentecost Sunday occurs fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus and ten days after the Ascension to Heaven. The Spirit arrived in the form of tongues of fire and filled the hearts of all in the room so that they had all the gifts that they needed to share the Good News with all people. **Read Acts 2 in your Bible.**

We all received the Holy Spirit in Baptism and again at Confirmation.



Scripture for Parents

God is with you, supporting you as you parent. We are never alone with God by our side.

Jeremiah's Call and Commission

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.'

We believe that God is Love! When/Where did you last share or experience Love/God?

God is Love



Consider and Discuss

Is Jesus still with us today?
Where is Jesus today?
What work did Jesus want his disciples to do?
What work does Jesus want you to do?
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