

6. **A DAY WITH MARY**

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA**

(8 July to 15 July 2026)

Closing date 28 April 2026

**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY**

(1 Sept. to 10 September 2026)

Closing date 23 June 2026

Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/>

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Bishop Paul Hendricks warmly invites you to join him on this year's **SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 21st to 28th August 2026**

A pilgrimage is a great opportunity to refresh and renew our relationship with the Lord Jesus, with the help of Our Lady's prayers.

I have also found it a blessing to be able to accompany and to be inspired by other pilgrims, some of whom are sick, elderly or disabled.

Last year, Deacon John Fogarty and I did a short presentation in parishes, which we would be happy to repeat in your parish, if it can be arranged.

Details for booking travel and accommodation can be found at

<https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/>

We also ask pilgrims to complete a form with details, including medical requirements (if any) at <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join2026>

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**ROSARY FOR LIFE.**

Archbishop John Wilson is calling on all of us to join him in praying the Rosary for Life this May (Month of Mary). Together, we will pray through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries, each one offered for the most vulnerable facing growing threats to life: unborn children at risk of abortion, victims of war and persecution, people with disabilities, and the elderly and vulnerable. For video, audio and written versions of the Rosary for Life, visit

[rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife](http://rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife).

**Pray the Rosary.  
Encounter Christ.  
Defend life.**

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**ENCOUNTER PENTECOST**

**is a day to gather at St George's Cathedral, Southwark,** to celebrate this feast together with people from across the Archdiocese and beyond. Through worship, prayer, teaching and fellowship, the day offers an opportunity to reflect on the gift of the Holy Spirit to renew our faith.

**The day is open to everyone - individuals, families, parish groups and those simply curious to explore the life of the Church.**

23 May 2026 - start 10:15am at St George's Cathedral.

Please visit Southwark's Website:

<https://rcaos.org.uk>, or [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk)

See: news and events

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**+ J. M. J. + JESUS, + MARY, and + JOSEPH +  
Newsletter Supplement: 26th April Anno Domini 2026**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)**

**Pages 262 - 265 in the Parish Mass Book**

*(Music in Parish Mass Book begins page 320,*

*Preface Dialogue page 15, Holy, holy /Sanctus page 16,*

*Mystery of Faith: "WE PROCLAIM ..." page 29,*

*Lamb of God/Agnus Dei page 57 & 78)*



**CHRIST IS RISEN!  
ALLELUIA!  
ALLELUIA!  
HE IS RISEN  
INDEED!  
ALLELUIA!  
ALLELUIA!**

This very familiar Figure of the Risen Christ above the Tabernacle can remind us of Christ raised up: **First: His Crucifixion:** on the Cross on Calvary like a bridge or a ladder between earth and heaven bridging, repairing the gap and abyss between us and God and so Reconciling, redeeming and ransoming us with God. **And secondly:** Christ is detached from the Cross. See His open wounds in hands, feet and side.

#### 4 CHRIST RISEN , CONTINUED:

Christ is risen from the cold stone tomb of death. *(Is the tomb is represented in Church as the Altar?)* **His Resurrection:** Christ is risen from the tomb of the earth, lifting up fallen humanity with Him from death to Life eternal.

**Thirdly:** Christ is raised up to heaven as He returns to God the Father His earthly Mission complete and now entrusted to His disciples to continue and fulfil to the ends of the earth with His help (see Matthew's Gospel, chapter 28 and **the Great Commission** just before Christ's **Ascension** into Heaven).

**Fourthly:** Christ's **Hands are raised up and His eyes gaze up**, like a priest offering prayer and sacrifice in the Holy Mass, for it is Christ Who offers up His Sacrifice of the Mass only once and we are made present to that one and only Sacrifice on Calvary. Christ continues to intercede, to pray for us and to offer us to His loving Father.

See the Gospel of St **John, chapter 17**, and Christ's High Priestly Prayer offered during the Lord's Last Supper, or the Letter to the **Hebrews 5: 7...**

Jesus continues to pray for each one of us , personally, by name.!



#### PREPARE FOR PENTECOST AND THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

##### PRAYERS FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your love.

**V:** Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

**R:** And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray:

O, God, Who taught the hearts of Your faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of that same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. **R: Amen.**

##### INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BY POPE JOHN XXIII.

**Renew, Your wonders in this our day, as by a New Pentecost.**

Grant to Your Church that, being of one mind and steadfast in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and following the lead of the blessed Peter, it may advance the reign of our Divine Saviour, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. **Amen.**



#### REGINA CAELI

**said at 6am, 12noon & 6pm instead of THE ANGELUS during Eastertide:**  
**Regina caeli, laetare, Alleluia!**

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!*

**Quia Quem meruisti portare, Alleluia!**

*For He Whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!*  
**Resurrexit, sicut dixit! Alleluia!**

*Has risen as He said, alleluia!*

**Ora pro nobis Deum. Alleluia!**

*Pray for us to God, alleluia!*

*Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia!*

**For the Lord has risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**Let us pray:**

**O God, Who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant that we obtain through His Virgin Mother, the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



#### THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS:

##### The Holy Eucharist:

*By which Christ associates His Church and all her members with the sacrifice of the Cross.*

- The fruits of this Sacrament are:
- An increase in the communicant's union with Christ.
- Forgiveness of venial sins.
- Preservation from grave sins.
- A strengthening of the bonds of charity between the communicant and Christ.
- A strengthening of the unity of the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ.

##### Reconciliation or Penance:

*By which sins after Baptism are forgiven. The fruits of this Sacrament are:*

- Reconciliation with God: the penitent recovers sanctifying grace.
- Reconciliation with the Church,
- Remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins.
- Remission, at least in part, of temporal punishments resulting from sin.
- Peace and serenity of conscience, and spiritual consolation.
- An increase of spiritual strength for the Christian battle.

