

# St. Joan of Arc, Farnham

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## Pentecost

24<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Sunday Cycle Year A, Weekday Readings 2, Psalter Week 4

We gather to worship God in union with Leo XIV, Our Pope.

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Baptism</b>	<b>Jude Chigome</b>
4.15pm	Confession	
<b>Pentecost</b>		
5.00pm	Extended Vigil Mass	Terry Taylor RIP (anniv)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Pentecost</b>
9.15 am	Mass	Evelyn Borelli RIP
11.15am	Mass	Deceased Members & Friends of Angela Arathoon
5.00pm	Mass	Special Intention
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
11.00am	Mass	Amiti Grech Intentions
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
11.00am	Mass	Dorothea Bright RIP
7.30pm	Rosary	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Church Closed</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
11.00am	Mass	David Joseph Welsh RIP (anniv)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
10.30am – 11.30am	Adoration	
<b>St Joan of Arc Paternal Feast Mass</b>		
6.30pm	Mass	Special Intentions
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
4.15pm	Confession	
<b>The Most Holy Trinity</b>		
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	For Tom's Intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>The Most Holy Trinity</b>
9.15 am	Mass	People of the Parish
11.15am	Mass	Deceased Members & Friends of Pat Quigley
5.00pm	Mass	Maria Tucker RIP

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection 24<sup>th</sup> May** for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese. (Gift Aid). This collection goes to help the Diocese of Chulucanas in Peru.

**16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> May:** Saturday 5pm = 112; Sunday 9.15am = 208; 11.15am = 159; 5.00pm 85 = **Total 564.**

### Rosary Group:

For the month of May The Rosary Group will meet on the **26<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.30pm in the Church. *(The Rosary group usually meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Church.)* **2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Catholics do good at every opportunity.**

**Catholics pray every day.**

**Catholics come to Mass every Sunday.**

## Pentecost "Fifty Days"

As the apostles once did, the community of St Joan of Arc gathers for the celebration of Pentecost, praying that the Holy Spirit is revealed afresh to us and in receiving (*or reactivating*) His gifts, we may experience a spiritual transformation, one that informs and sustains our pilgrimage to heaven. Originally, Pentecost was a celebration that occurred fifty days after the Passover, a thanksgiving for the Israelites' liberation from slavery in Egypt. And after their liberation, God's People received the gift of the Law, given to Moses on Mount Sinai.

Thus, the celebration found its expression as a thanksgiving festival for the harvest, an offering of first fruits; but Pentecost is not just an historical event but one that continues to find its expression in the Church, as the New Israel. Pentecost, then, is celebrated fifty days after Easter, the celebration of Jesus' 'pass-over' from death into life at his Resurrection. From Jesus Christ, the Church has received a New and Eternal Covenant, a New Commandment to Love, which finds its ultimate expression in the Eucharist, again a thanksgiving festival, but of the Lord's sacrificial offering, his body and blood given for the salvation for the world.

Pentecost is a recognition of our empowerment to take part in and continue the Mission of Christ, that of showing to the world that Christ's Death and Resurrection reveal the depth of God's love for us, that he has freed us from the tyranny of sin and death. Our participation in the Holy Mass each Sunday, unleashes in us heavenly gifts which have the power to change us and through our commission to announce the gospel, to change the world also.

**Daily Readings** can be found [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

**Fr Simons Daily Reflections are on the website.**

[www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk](http://www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk)

**Let us pray for those in our families who are unwell at this time and especially for:**

Amiti Grech, Sheila Thorp, Ariane, Brian Fernando, Suzanne Eames, Robin Eames, Kate Pontifex, Mary King, Eve Morgan, Carol Tutte, Donna Lawson, Anne Cheesman, Mary Burland, Jennifer Flack, James Flack, Art Attwood, Leo Murray, Elizabeth Murray, Peter McCormick, Elizabeth Leavy, Margaret Connolly, Andrew Torjussen, Siobhan Gorman, Mary Ditchburn, Francis Galliano, Eileen Farebrother, Noreen Yelland, and for all in our Parish community who are unwell.

*Please let the Parish Office know if any names can be removed.*

**We pray for the recently deceased:**

**Margaret Moore RIP** whose Requiem will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am.

**Maureen Briggs RIP** whose Requiem will take place on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 12 noon.

Andrew Hubbard RIP

**We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Canon Anthony Whale (St Joan of Arc, Parish Priest 2001-2009), John Hodgson, Timothy Bettin, Thomas O'Meara, Margaret Laville, Albina Ratliff, Christopher 'Jimmy' Ward, John Christie, Josephine Fitchett, David Welsh.

**May the Lord grant them all a place in His Kingdom.**

### **Life In The Spirit Prayer Group:**

Normal prayer meetings start once again now that we have finished the GIFT course. Every Wednesday 8.00-9.00pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome.

### **Scripture Study Group:**

Meet on Wednesday mornings in the Centre foyer of the Centre at **10.00am**. You are welcome to attend to study this weeks scripture.

### **Father's Prayers:**

We hold Fathers' Prayers in the Church every second Tuesday of the month **9<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm**. (8.15pm May & October) and all other Tuesdays on Zoom at 7.30pm (EXCEPT the month of August) [antonyhjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:antonyhjohnson@gmail.com)

### **2:2 Club:**

**2:2 Club** takes place in the the Parish Centre on the Second Wednesday of each month at 2.00pm. Come along on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm** for games, tea and a chat. Open to all over a certain age and retired!

### **200 Club:**

Contact John Dick to join St Joan of Arc 200 Club it's £12 a year for one number. [johndick187@btinternet.com](mailto: johndick187@btinternet.com)

### **Arcaid:**

If you would like to support Arcaid in any way please have a look at their work on our website. [www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk/your-parish/parish-charity-arcaid](http://www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk/your-parish/parish-charity-arcaid) leaflets and forms are in the church porch. **Arcaid is St. Joan of Arc's own overseas Aid Charity.**

### **How to book a Mass?**

If you would like a Mass said for a member of your family or a friend, living or deceased, complete a White/Red Mass envelope (available from the Church porch) with as much detail as possible, requesting the date and time you would like to have the Mass said and either pop it in the collection basket or email the parish office.

### **St Joan of Arc Play Group: *Half term next week 26<sup>th</sup> May***

Tuesdays (term time) in the **Parish Centre 9am – 11.30am** - £2 a session term time only. All our welcome to come along with pre-school children to meet other parents/carers, coffee/cake, toys, weekly art activity, music. Contact [carlyemoriarty@hotmail.com](mailto: carlyemoriarty@hotmail.com)

### **Childrens' Liturgy:**

Takes place every 2 weeks during the 9.15am Mass. The next Liturgy sessions **will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May**. These are for Parents with Children in Reception to Year 2. **A Case 4 form must be completed on the first visit and a parent must accompany their child.**

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026:**

9.15am Family Mass - Every Sunday.

Children are to Sign in weekly for Mass attendance.

### **First Holy Communion Masses**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 10am**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 10am**

**Going Forth Mass Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 9.15am**

### **CONFIRMATION EXPERIENCE 2026:**

**Sessions @ 3.15pm prompt start**

**7<sup>th</sup> June 3.15pm**

**14<sup>th</sup> June 3.15pm**

**Youth Mass 5.00pm Every Sunday**



### **Bingo Evening - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Doors open at 6.30pm First Game 7.15pm.**

**£10 pp to include at least 5 games.**

Cash bar, Raffle.

Bring your own Evening picnic, have fun raising funds for the Roof fund.

Everyone is welcome to come along.

**Tickets will be on sale in May after all Masses or**

**Email: [mm@maher.je](mailto:mm@maher.je) or the Parish Office.**

### **Crochet Bag Sale**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**after the 9.15am & 11.15am Mass.**

**All proceeds to the Church Roof Fund.**

### **Monthly Cake Sale – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June.**

If you would like to bake or bring along a cake/cookies/brownies for next month – please put your name on the sign up board which is in the porch. Many thanks.

### **Men's Parish BBQ – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 7.00pm**

Men of the parish are invited to come along at 7.00pm for Adoration and Benediction followed at 7.30pm with a BBQ in the Parish grounds. BYO drinks, sausages & burgers etc will be served £5.00 donation.

Email Antony Johnson for catering purposes: [antonyhjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:antonyhjohnson@gmail.com) further details to follow.

### **Job Vacancy: Gardener required for Church grounds.**

If you are a gardener (and take on another client) or you can recommend a gardener please contact the Parish Office.

### **Church Cleaning Team:**

If you have half an hour spare, once, every 6-8 weeks and would like to join the cleaning rota, please contact Cecilia [farnham@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:farnham@abdiocese.org.uk) **New rota issued in June.**

### **Mass for Jubilarian Priests of the Diocese:**

28<sup>th</sup> May 12pm Arundel Cathedral. All welcome to attend. [www.abdiocese.org.uk](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk)

### **Friends of Arundel Cathedral. Vespers at Arundel Cathedral and reception in Castle grounds.**

12<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm. Vespers no charge. Reception £25-£30 email [aruncathfriends@btconnect.com](mailto:aruncathfriends@btconnect.com)

### **Blaze Summer Camp 23-28<sup>th</sup> July or 15-20<sup>th</sup> August**

Christian Youth Enterprises, Chidham, (Cost £525) Camp for 12-15 year olds. A high energy week of activities. [www.cye.org.uk](http://www.cye.org.uk)

### **Celebrate:**

In an age when faith is so often practised alone, a private conviction, a solitary Sunday obligation, **CELEBRATE** Festival invites us to remember that the Church was never meant to be a solo endeavour. **From 15 to 19 August 2026**, the grounds of **Worth School** will become home to one of the most joyful gatherings in the English Catholic calendar. Families, young people, parents, grandparents, bishops, priests, deacons, and religious will arrive from across the country for five days rooted in worship, formation, fellowship, and the kind of laughter that only happens when the Body of Christ relaxes into itself. *Tickets and full information at W: [www.celebratefestival.org](http://www.celebratefestival.org) places are limited and the festival regularly sells out.*