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## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR C – 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025

### Missal P449 Order of the Mass P470

**WISHING A HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS  
AND OUR PRIESTLY FATHERS**

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR 'DAY FOR LIFE'  
PLEASE SEE NOTICE ON PAGE 2 FOR YOUR URGENT ATTENTION**

**PRIEST CORNER: THANK YOU, FR. GODWIN:** Dear Parish Family, last Sunday, I broke the news of our lovely Fr. Godwin's appointment as the Parish Administrator of St. Michael the Archangel Parish Chatham. We are most grateful for the wonderful time and ministry of Fr. Godwin in Dover. I will be informing you of a special day in July when we shall all gather to celebrate and have a proper send off in his honour. Fr. Godwin will still be with us until the last week of June. Fr. Leo.

**THANK YOU:** I also want to use this opportunity to say **THANK YOU** to all our Parish Family for all the wonderful celebrations and joys that we have shared on our Pentecost event, Last Sunday. It was such a wonderful moment in both Churches. We are grateful to all those who took time to prepare food and share; the events team, the many people decorating, the many ethnic Nationalities who made presentations and sang through the events, the dance presentations and short drama presentations, etc. May the Lord bless and reward you all. Thank you. Fr. Leo



**JOYFUL PHOTOS FROM OUR PENTECOST CELEBRATIONS, LAST SUNDAY.**

**PARISH JUBILEE CELEBRATION / FAMILY DAY AND BARBECUE; JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2025:** As part of the Jubilee celebration for 2025, we shall have our Parish Pilgrimage Walk, family Barbecue Day on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June 2025. We shall all come together at St. Paul's for 11am start; walk together to the Sea Front, return back via St. Edmund's Chapel and end it with a joyful Barbecue family celebration in the Presbytery Garden. All the families, from Aylesham to Dover are invited for

this planned event. It will also be the Feast of Peter and Paul which is our Parish special **Feast Day**. There will be loads of food to share, moments of prayer, laughter and games. Mark the date in your diary and join us for this event. God bless you as you come. Fr. Leo

**GOSPEL REFLECTION: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY:** The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic



doctrine of Faith in the Catholic Church. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that  $1+1+1 = 1$  and not 3. But we believe in this Mystery because Jesus, who is God, taught it clearly, the Evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it, and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian Faith. We cannot understand all about how God is for He is a mystery, and our human minds are too limited to comprehend such a mysterious Being as God. However, Jesus makes us enter into the life of the Blessed Trinity. Jesus makes us know God is Three in One and One in Three. He always mentions the Three Persons and shows how united they are. The Father and I are one...to have seen me is to have seen the Father...

It is important to know that all prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity. All Sacraments are administered (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriages are blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons are ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity. When Church bells ring thrice daily, they remind us to give glory to the Holy Trinity for the Incarnation of Jesus and His Redemption of all of us. We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity. Beloved in Christ, the Blessed Trinity teaches us about Unity and Love. May the blessed Trinity lead us to live and foster community in love and unity, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**TODAY IS 'DAY FOR LIFE' SUNDAY. WE DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE TWO NOTICES BELOW:**

**1. ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL:** The final and decisive vote on the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill is on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. If just 28 MPs switch from supporting assisted suicide to opposing it, the Bill falls. Some have already switched, so this Bill can be defeated. As part of their final phase of the campaign against the Bill, a stand-alone petition has been launched in your constituency, to your local MP. You can view it online here: [www.righttolife.org.uk/petitions](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/petitions). A petition signed by a strong number of local people urging your MP to vote against the Bill will carry real weight. It's undeniable proof that many in the constituency want their MP to turn up on the **20<sup>th</sup> June and vote NO** to assisted suicide. A flood of signatures could help tip the balance and stop this dangerous Bill in its tracks.

**PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION, EITHER ONLINE AT [www.righttolife.org.uk/petitions](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/petitions) OR THE PAPER PETITION AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.**

**2. MAJOR THREAT OF ABORTION DECRIMINALISATION:** Pro-abortion MPs are trying to hijack the Government's **Crime & Policing Bill** by tabling **two amendments seeking to decriminalise abortion**. If either of these amendments were passed, it would be the most massive expansion of abortion since 1967, effectively permitting abortion for any reason up until birth. This Bill is being debated on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June** and **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**. Please **contact your MP urgently**, asking him/her to oppose and, if necessary, vote against **New Clauses 1 & 20** of the Crime & Policing Bill. Go to the following web address to quickly and easily send a message to your MP using SPUC's webtool: [www.spuc.org.uk/campaign/abortion-decriminalisation/](http://www.spuc.org.uk/campaign/abortion-decriminalisation/). Alternatively, you can write to your MP at **House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA**

**RECENTLY DIED** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Megan Dalziel**, who died recently. Megan's Requiem Mass will take place on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 11am** at St Paul's. We also remember **Juliana Olatoun Madewa** (aged 84), mother of **Fr. Matthew Madewa**, Parish Priest of Mongeham. A Requiem Mass for Juliana will take place on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm** at St John the Evangelist Catholic Church, St Richard's Road, Deal. May both Megan & Juliana rest in peace. Amen.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS 2025: ST PAUL'S GROUP - SEATING AT MASS, ADVANCED NOTICE**  
The **First Holy Communion Mass** for St Paul's Catholic Church, Dover will take place at **11am on Sunday, 22 June**, the **Feast of Corpus Christi**. We are expecting around **200 guests**, including FHC children and their families, which will occupy over **30 reserved benches**—about **two-thirds of the church**. Parishioners who usually attend the 11am Mass are welcome, with **seating available at the back and along the sides**. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Deacon Barry.

**MUSTARD SEEDS CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Mustard Seeds is this **Sunday at 9am Mass** - all primary school children welcome! Save the date: the next **Junior Youth Group meeting** will be **Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> July**- details to follow!

**ADULT YOUTH GROUP** "Familia UNA "Faith and Life" course will begin this Sunday **15<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm**, in the upper church hall. All young people aged 16 and over are welcome.

**DOVER: A PLACE OF SANCTUARY & HOPE.** This Sunday **15<sup>th</sup> June 2pm-4pm**. **St Mary's Church Hall, Cannon Street, Dover CT16 1BY**. This marks the start of **Refugee Week 15-21 June** as we celebrate our refugees and the communities who have accompanied them. Jointly hosted by Caritas Southwark, Cliffs of Sanctuary and other local groups and charities.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS AT ST PAUL'S** continues every **Saturday in the upper room of the parish hall from 10am to 11am**. The Bishop will lead the confirmation ceremony in the Autumn.



**ROSARY AND BIBLE STUDY ST PAUL'S** Thursday's pre 10am Mass rosary and post Mass bible study will take place on **Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> June**. OT Book of Exodus.

**COLLECTIONS FOR MAY:** Cash & CollecTin £3177.23; Bankers Orders £3575.00; Priests Training Fund £314.93. Thank you for your generosity. God bless, Fr. Leo.

**ST PETER & ST PAUL, TEMPLE EWELL (CT16 3DR) – Open Day Friday, 20th June | 10am–4pm:** Explore the beautiful church and churchyard with walking tours, a children's quiz trail, and old church registers on display. Meet clergy and parishioners. **Refreshments:** 10am–12 noon | **Pop-up Café:** 12–4pm. **All are welcome!**

**THE BOY FROM NAZARETH PLANNING MEETING:** All are welcome to join us as we explore *The Boy from Nazareth*, a proposed Christian Unity production. They will be having their meeting at **St. Paul's on Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:30–12:30**. They will be reviewing the script, sample music, and discuss rehearsals and logistics. A final decision on going ahead will follow the **July meeting**. Though the play is in English, everyone is welcome—Christianity speaks to all backgrounds. Any questions or queries, please email Jeremy at [jeremyhcrowe@btinternet.com](mailto:jeremyhcrowe@btinternet.com).

**THE NEXT ADULT RCIA COURSE** will begin on **Monday 6th October at 7pm** in St Paul's hall upper room. If you know of someone who would be interested in joining the Catholic Faith give them the date and invite them along.

**COMMUNITY COHESION: ONE COMMUNITY, MANY VOICES** Join us for a **free lunchtime meal** and open conversation in a safe, welcoming space. Share experiences, build understanding, and foster kindness. Next 4-week cycle starts **Thursday 19th June, 12 noon** at **Dover Outreach Centre**, 168–172 Snargate St, Dover CT17 9BZ. More info: [office@doveroutreachcentre.com](mailto:office@doveroutreachcentre.com) | **01304 339022** (Donna or Carina).

**PLEASE NOTE: ST PAUL'S CAR PARK** will be closed on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June** as clearing the presbytery garden continues. We may have to close the car park at short notice on other days. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**WARNING - EMAIL SCAM:** If you receive an email from Fr Leo or any of the clergy saying they are in a meeting and need help please don't respond as it is a scam. Let the parish office know [dover@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:dover@rcaos.org.uk) so it can be reported.

<b>Parish of the Good Shepherd Dover and Aylesham</b> <b>'Called to Bear Fruit': Parish Renewal</b>		
2025		
<b>Mustard Seed Children's Liturgy</b>	<b>Every Third Sunday 9am</b>	<b>St Paul's Upper Hall, Dover</b>
<b>St Jude's Prayer Group</b>	<b>Every Third Monday 2pm – 3pm</b>	<b>St Paul's Hall, Dover</b>
<b>'Familia Una' Adult Youth Group</b>	<b>Every Sunday 6pm</b>	<b>St Paul's Upper Hall, Dover</b>
<b>SYCAMORE Course, Fides &amp; Bible Study, all combined session</b>	<b>Every Monday 7pm</b>	<b>St Finbarr's, Aylesham.</b>
<b>Fides Course</b>	<b>Every Wednesday 6:40pm for 7pm</b>	<b>St Paul's Hall, Dover</b>
<b>Confirmation Preparation</b>	<b>Every Saturday 10am</b>	<b>St Paul's Upper Hall, Dover</b>
<b>First Holy Communion (Both Churches)</b>	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 11am</b>	<b>St Paul's, Dover</b> <b>St Finbarr's, Aylesham</b>
<b>Parish Family Day</b>	<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>St Paul's Dover</b> <b>St Finbarr's Aylesham</b>
<b>Junior Youth Group meeting</b>	<b>Saturday, 12th July</b>	<b>St Paul's, Dover</b>
<b>RCIA COURSE</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 7pm</b>	<b>St Paul's Upper Hall, Dover</b>
<b>Confirmation Mass with Bishop Paul Hendricks</b>	<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 11am</b>	<b>St Paul's, Dover</b>

**Please Pray for those who are unwell:**

**St Finbarr's:** Audrey Stitt, Elisabet Sulianti, Gabriela le Bohec, Charlie Golden, Tina Isaacs, Ray Deverson, Lucy Purbrick, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood.

**St Paul's:** John Doyle, Maria Frost, Roz & Rob Pain, Rosa Mazzitelli, David Meadows, Roselene Hindle, Sr Rani Xavier, Thanima Jayan, Janice & Livra Fernandes, Catriona Stark, Mary Pressnell, Gaby Anaya Amor, Fr John Ryan, Pat Evans, Shirley Lazarus, Shirley Jefford, Clare Quigley, Gail White, Neil Stevens, John & Joyce Nix, Bailey Turner, Peggy Merrell, Ryan Whittall, Iris (Tilly) Ball, Jean Ann Dowle, Norman Woolhouse, Ted Peel, Christopher Browne, Angela, Alice Wilson, Angela Henbrey, Madison Woodall, Elisa Gomez Melero, Ann Tomalak, Cathy Huntley, Emin Jain, Pat & Patricia Sherratt, Chris Roy.

**Please Pray for those whose anniversaries occur this week:**

**St Finbarr's:** Thomas Mather, Helmy Louise Spence, Doreen Williams, Francis McCallum, Keith Thomas, James Andrew Dawes, Lewis Richards, James Andrew Dawes, Lewis Richards, Laurence Joseph Flaharan, William Friel

**St Paul's:** Tony Wilson, George Nix, Fr Peter Arnold, Elizabeth Knight, Regina Illah, Thea Brueton, Charlotte Victoria Drew, Bob Broom, Peter Alfred Gill, Laura Doyle, Emma Delaney, Walter Falconer, William Richard Brankley, Pearl Bates, Joan Birch, Rhoda Manly, Gerry Hitchens, Peter Gill, Peggy Bywaters, Christopher Mlilo

EVENTS THIS WEEK AT ST FINBARR'S			
	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	4pm	Syro Malabar Mass
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am 11am	First Holy Communion Final Preparation in Church Mass for Sick Priests
Saint Richard of Chichester, Bishop	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	7pm	SYCAMORE Course Fides & Bible Study Combined
	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	Mass for Parents Wedding Anniversary (Neenu & Ullas)
Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	4pm	Syro Malabar Mass
THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	11am	Mass for First Holy Communicants
EVENTS THIS WEEK AT ST PAUL'S			
The Blessed Virgin Mary	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am 10am 10am 5pm 6pm	First Holy Communion Final Preparation in the main hall Mass in St Edmund's Chapel for Pauline Fuller RIP (Mary & Family) Confirmation Preparation in the upper hall Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm) Mass for Regina Illah RIP (Colin)
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	9am 9am 11am 3pm 6pm	Mass for Regina Illah RIP (Theresa Gordon) & Fr Peter Arnold Anniversary (Keith & Theresa) Mustard Seeds Children's Liturgy Coffee after Mass Mass for Dennis & Marie McGeeney RIP (Brigid & Family) & 5 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving Jobins & Cigi Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet Faith and Life Sessions for Familia Una Youth Group in the Upper Hall
Saint Richard of Chichester, Bishop	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	Mass for The Terminally Ill
	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	Mass for Frederic Compton 'F'
	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	10am 5:30pm 7pm	Mass for Maureen Houghton RIP 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Funeral (Fr Jamie) Exposition and Holy Rosary (until 6.30pm) Fides Session
Saint John Rigby Martyr	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am 10am 10:30am	Holy Rosary in the church Mass for Richard Emedo Birthday Thanksgiving (Esiri) Bible Study OT Book of Exodus
Saint Alban Martyr - Protomartyr of Britain	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	Mass for Fr Patrick Taggart 'F'
Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	10am 10am 5pm 6pm	Mass in St Edmund's Chapel for Holy Souls Confirmation Preparation in the upper hall Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm) Memorial Mass for Vera Fletcher RIP (Parish)
THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	9am 11am 3pm 6pm	Mass for The Unemployed Coffee after Mass Mass for First Holy Communicants Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet Faith and Life Sessions for Familia Una Youth Group in the Upper Hall

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# Readings for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## First reading

Proverbs 8:22-31

**‘Before the beginning of the earth, Wisdom was brought forth.’**

Thus says the Wisdom of God:

The Lord possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.

Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,

when there were no springs in abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,

before the hills, I was brought forth,

before he had made the earth with its fields,

or the first of the dust of the world.

When he established the heavens, I was there;

when we drew a circle on the face of the deep,

when he made firm the skies above,

when he established the fountains of the deep,

when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

then I was beside him, like a master workman,

and I was daily his delight,

rejoicing in before him always,

rejoicing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the children of man.

## Responsorial

Psalm

**Psalm 8:4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R.2ab**

*O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!*

*Or: Alleluia*

When I see the heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars which you arranged,  
what is man that you should keep him in mind,  
the son of man that you care for him?  
*O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!*

*Or: Alleluia*

Yet you have made him little lower than the angels;  
with glory and honour you crowned him,  
gave him power over the works of your hands:  
you put all things under his feet.  
*O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!*

*Or: Alleluia*

All of them, sheep and oxen,

yes, even the cattle of the fields,

birds of the air, and fish of the sea

that make their way through the waters.

*O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!*

*Or: Alleluia*

## Second reading

Romans 5: 1-5

**‘To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit’**

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia,

alleluia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is and who was and who is to come.

Alleluia.

## Gospel

John 16:12-15.

**‘All that the Father has is mine; the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you.’**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples,

‘I still have many things to say to you,

but you cannot bear them now.

When the Spirit of truth comes,

he will guide you into all the truth,

for he will not speak on his own authority,

but whatever he hears he will speak,

and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

He will glorify me,

for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

All that the Father has is mine;

therefore I said that he will take what is mine and

declare it to you.’

## Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.**