

Pentecost Sunday 8th June 2025



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MASS TIMES AT CLONARD Public Mass and Masses via Webcam

Sunday 7:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday**, 9:30am and 6:15pm

Friday 7:00am, 9:30am and 6:15pm

Thursday (Novena) 7:00am, 9:30am, 6:15pm and 8:00pm

Saturday 7:00am, 9:30am and 12:00 noon. Sunday Vigil Mass 7:30pm







18th - 26th June 2025

Clonard Solemn Novena

In honour of our Mother of Perpetual Help



WEEKDAYS

6:45am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm.

SATURDAY and SUNDAY

6:45am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm.

Sacrament of the Sick

Friday, 20th June at 9:30am, 11:30am and 6:00pm

Procession in Thanksgiving to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

After the final 8:00pm Mass on Thursday, 26th June





UNITY PILGRIMS OF HOPE

<u>This Sunday, 8 June</u> joining Belfast City Vineyard, Cavehill Road, for their 9.30am Pentecost Service. Meet in Clonard at 9.00am. *All welcome!*

PENTECOST SUNDAY

John 14:15-16; 23-26 The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, will teach you everything.

Living in Love: The Spirit Among Us.

This week, our Gospel reading from John offers us a profound invitation to dwell in God's love and experience the incredible gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus tells us, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments," and promises that the Father will send "another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth." He goes on to say, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our dwelling with them."

What does this mean for us, right here, right now?

In a world that often feels chaotic and uncertain, these words are a beacon of hope and a call to action. Loving Jesus isn't about blind obedience; it's about a relationship. When we strive to live by His teachings – teachings of love, compassion, forgiveness, and justice – we open ourselves to a deeper connection with God. This isn't always easy, of course. Life throws curveballs, and our patience, generosity, and faith are often tested. But here's the truly revolutionary part: we are not alone. Jesus promises us the Holy Spirit, the "Advocate," the "Spirit of truth." This isn't some distant, abstract force. The Holy Spirit is an active, empowering presence within us, guiding us, comforting us, and strengthening us. It's the inner reminder to be kind, the quiet wisdom that helps us make good choices, the courage to speak truth to power.

So, How do we turn this into a strength?

- **Listen:** Pay attention to that inner voice, that sense of peace or unease that often accompanies our decisions. That's the Spirit at work!
- Act: Let your love for God be seen in your actions big or small so that you reflect the Spirit of His love on others you meet.
- **Trust:** Have faith that even when things are tough, God is with you, working through His Spirit to help you grow and face every challenge.".

<u>This week</u>, let's embrace this incredible truth. Let us live in love, knowing that the Holy Spirit is truly with us, transforming our lives and empowering us. **What a gift!**

PRAYER FOR EXAMS

If you wish to **pray** for a <u>student</u> during their exams please enter your prayer in a special book of intentions at <u>St Joseph's Altar</u>.

Your intention will be remembered specially at daily Prayer in Clonard.



We <u>thank you</u> for last week's Collections which came to £2,705 for Clonard and £903 for the Bishop.

Also for your kind donations, online and by post.

