

Coffee and tea in church after Mass, Please do stay. Thank you to Fr. John for celebrating today and Tuesday while Fr. Philip and Anne take a break.

Divine Office week 3 of Psalter
Eastertide concludes today. Paschal candle is moved to the front. Angelus resumes on Monday. Please note change of 1st mass of Sunday for the week.
This week the only Mass will be on Tuesday at 9:30.
Tea/ Coffee in church 10:00-12:00

Biblical readings this week.

Mon: Mary, Mother of the church

Gen.3 v.9-56 or Acts 1 v 12-24: John 19 v. 25-34.

Tues: 9.30 Mass (James 4 v.1-10: Mark 9v.30-37)

10.00-12.00 Tea/Coffee. in Church

Wed: James 4 v.13-17: Mark 9 v.38-40

Thurs: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

Jer. 31 v.31-34 Mark 14 v..22-25

Fri. Jer. 5 v.9-12 Mark 10 v. 1-12

Sat. St. Bede the Venerable

5.00 1st Mass of Sunday

Next Sunday - MOST HOLY TRINITY

9.30am Parish Mass & Address.

(Deut. 4 v.32-34, 39-40: Rom 8 v.14-17 : Matt. 28 v. 16-20)

NOTICES:

1. The National Pilgrimage to Walsingham will be Monday 27th May.
2. We shall observe Corpus Christi on Sunday 2nd June. We need flower petals for the procession at the end of Mass.
3. Archdeacon's visitation is Tuesday 4th June at Haughley when our church wardens are re-admitted to office

Please keep silence from 09.25 to prepare for Mass 19th May 2024

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, MENDLESHAM

Feast of Pentecost - (Whitsun)

Theme: Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. We rejoice in the good news of the fulfilment of Christ's promises. The same Holy Spirit giving life to the church at the first Pentecost is given today. Let us pray that our hearts may be freed from sin and open to the power of the Spirit. We welcome Fr John Thackray as celebrant and preacher today.

Prayers for the Departed, Holy Cross Chapel **Entrance Hymn:** 50 v 1 -5

PENITENTIAL RITE.

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when our pride sometimes prevents us from saying "sorry". Lord have mercy. **People:** (sing) **Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for wanting to hold on to our jealousies and resentments. Christ have mercy. **People:** **Christe Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for our failure to make relations and be united with each other. Lord have mercy. **People:** **Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant proclaims God's forgiveness

GLORIA: John Allen Easter setting – on paper

OPENING PRAYER: *Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives to bring Christ to the world.* God our Father, let the Spirit you sent on your Church to begin the teaching of the Gospel, continue to work in the hearts of all who believe.

LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD:

1st Reading: Acts 2 v 1-11. We hear an account of the first Pentecost. Wind and fire are symbols of the power of God in the midst of the disciples.

'When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 103

® **Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God how great you are,

How many are your works, O Lord!

The earth is full of your riches. ®

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.

Ⓜ **Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. Ⓜ

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12 v 3-7, 12-13. People have different gifts; but it is the same Spirit who gives these various gifts for the building up of the Christian community which is the body of Christ.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Gospel Hymn: 50 v 6 & 7

Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20 v 19-23. Jesus gives us His Spirit - the Spirit of Peace and Reconciliation.

'In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

ADDRESS CREED: P.7 of Hymn Book (Nicene)

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

Celebrant: The Spirit of God came to the Apostles so that they could speak to the world about the wonderful works of God. Let us pray for that same Spirit to be with His people as they are sent into the world.

Reader: Let us pray for all rulers and leaders: that the Holy Spirit may gather all the followers of Jesus into the unity of the Body of Christ and help them to be witnesses in the world.

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will heal the wounds of division amongst Christians and bring us together in the preaching of the Gospel.

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will warm the hearts of all men and women who are tempted to despair because of unemployment or bereavement, separation, loneliness or disappointment.

Jesus offers peace and reconciliation; may we truly forgive one another and be instruments of His Peace.

Let us pray for the sick and those who care for them. We ask that the Holy Spirit be with them in a special way so that they may receive the strength of God and especially we pray for Angie Wilson, Marjorie Rousseau, Jan Ross, Jean Martin, Taylor Birch, Penny Sugden and all prayed for at Shrine prayers.

Let us pray for all those who have died – especially Phyllis Wenden, Charles Gray, Leonard Huggins, Harry Hayward, Janet Knock, Jeannie Hudson, Edith Clements, Thomas Roberts, Arthur Euston, Jean Pipe, Leslie Howlett, Tim Licence, Gladys Prior, Kim Staff, Norman Howard-Rees and Bertha Kent, whose anniversaries are at this time.

Let us pray with Mary that the Holy Spirit may overshadow us - **Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen**

SILENCE

All: God our Father, your Son, at His Ascension, promised to send the Holy Spirit to His apostles. Through His coming they received power and wisdom from heaven. Grant us also, we pray, the gifts of your Spirit. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mass continues on page 9 of hymn book

Offertory Hymn: 365 v 1 & 2 **Offertory Prayers** **Hymn** 365 v 3-6

SANCTUS & Mystery of Faith: John Allen Easter Setting

**Blessed & Praised be Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament,
Hosannah! Hosannah! Hosannah in the highest.**

AGNUS DEI: John Allen Easter Setting.

Communicants of other denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would like a blessing, please come to the altar holding a hymn book.

Hymn at Holy Communion please join in. **99, 618**

Hymn at Ablutions **608**

Post Communion Prayer **Regina Caeli** – Front of Hymn Book

Notices **Blessing**

Recessional Hymn:300