



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 20th May 2018

The Day of Pentecost

Whit Sunday



## Services Today

**9:30am** Said Mass with Hymns and Sermon

**Hymns:** 137: S.28

**11:00am** Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession

**Hymns:** 139 (1st Tune): 137/140: 138: S.28

## Pentecost - End of Procession

∇ The Apostles did speak with other tongues, Alleluia.

℞ **The wonderful works of God, Alleluia.**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## 691 Whit Sunday / Day of Pentecost

**Introit** The Spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole world, alleluia: and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Psalm** Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. Glory be...

**Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia. ∇. O send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia. ∇. Come, Holy Ghost, and fill the hearts of thy faithful people: and kindle in them the fire of thy love. Alleluia.

**Offertory** Stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us: for thy temple's sake at Jerusalem, so shall kings bring presents unto thee, alleluia.

**Communion** Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, where they were sitting, alleluia: and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, proclaiming the wondrous works of God, alleluia, alleluia.

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## Collect

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## First Reading - Acts Ch2 v1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>"In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

## Second Reading - Romans Ch8 v22-27

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?

<sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

## Gospel - John Ch15 v26-27 & Ch16 v4b-15

Jesus said to his disciples, <sup>26</sup>When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

## Post Communion

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Please remember in your prayers

Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,  
Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw, Tony Renouf,  
David Le Lievre, and Barbara Streek

Please pray also for Pam; for Michele, Jaika and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall,  
Chris Bellinger; and for Samuel.

Please also pray for the soul of Elizabeth Opie  
May she rest in peace and rise in glory

## Services for this week

**Monday 21st May 10.00am** 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group

**Tuesday 22nd May 11.00am** Said Mass - Rita of Cascia, Nun 1457

**Wednesday 23rd May** **Mass Cancelled due to Deanery Synod meeting**

**Friday 25th May 7.00pm** Said Mass - The Venerable Bede, Monk, Scholar  
Historian, 735

**Sunday 27th May**

**Trinity Sunday**

**9.30am** Family Service

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession

**12.30pm** Baptism of Kiyarni Tatag



Helpers are required at **9.30pm on Wednesday 6th June** to help prepare the carpet which will occupy (as last time) the whole of the central aisle.

This will involve cutting the stalks off ivy leaves which will be the main infill for the display.

So bring your scissors, join in the fun, sit and chat while we snip away!

### Stewards Required

Stewards are required to be in church while it is open during the Tree of Jesse festival. If you would like to help please see Ann Goss who is drawing up the rota. Thank you.

### Afternoon Tea Party

**Saturday 16th June 2018 at 3.00pm**  
**in St Stephen's Church Garden**



Including quality raffle and musical entertainment.  
Tickets in advance will be on sale next week from  
Jean Le Huray 255207 or Ann Goss 266214  
£10 each in aid of Church funds

Please join us for refreshments:

- *in the Vicarage after the 9.30am Mass*
- *in the Vestry after the 11.00am Mass*

*After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!*

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**

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