

ST PETER'S CHURCH, STREATHAM: Pentecost 2023

Pentecost 28 May	8am: Said Mass 10.30: Parish Mass 11.45 Pentecost International Lunch 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction
Mon – Wed	9am: Morning Prayer
Tuesday 30	7.30am – Mass at St Margaret the Queen
Wed 31	12pm Said Mass in church
Trinity Sunday June 4	8am: Said Mass 10.30: Parish Mass 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

PRAYER CYCLE:

to add or remove people, contact Fr Steffan

Pray for peace in Ukraine, Sudan and the Holy Land.

In our Diocese for **All Saints, Spring Park**; & in the Anglican Communion for **The Extra Provincial Churches**.

Birthdays: Emily Scott, Maureen Downs, Jo Dapaah.

The Sick: Hilda, Neil, Ann, Judy, Alan, Valda, Keith, Charlotte, Graeme, Elly, Derek, Richard.

The Elderly & Housebound: Vera, Rupert, Godfrey, Sylvia.

Recently Departed: Godfrey 'Jimmy' James, Tim Cannam, Andre Blair & those whose **Year's Mind** occurs at this time: Gordon Poole, Charles Mansfield, Eric Weare.

WHAT'S ON

for more details, ask clergy

Sunday 28th May - Pentecost International Lunch

A bring-and-share lunch will follow after the 10.30am Mass today. All are very welcome to stay!

Saturday 17th June at 6pm – The Beckenham Concert Band with The Royal Free (Hospital) Music Society Choir. Entry by ticket (£10, £5 conc., & children free) with collection for the Royal Free (NHS) Charity.

Tickets can be purchased online from midday Weds 17th May or on the door. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/rfms/>

Saturday 24th June from 1pm - Lignum Vitae Club: Windrush 75th Anniversary Community Fundraising Event, raising funds for St Peter's Church and Artistry Youth Dance.

1pm-3pm, Children & Families: activities, refreshments & raffle (free entry)

6pm-11pm, Adults: fun, food & friends evening with quiz, games & raffle.

(tickets for the evening are £20 including welcome drink and meal)

For further information and tickets please contact Angela Newby
07582 497 789.

Sunday 2nd July at 10.30am - Fr Ben's First Mass following Ordination to the Priesthood

To be followed by a party with food and drink after the service - all are welcome!

PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE

As the bell rings, the Altar party enters. Please stand, if you are able.

1 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:

2 Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:

3 Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

4 Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

✠ In the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you**

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.

We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.

We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

The priest introduces the mass. The Deacon then calls us to confession:
The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence
and faith.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

*The choir sing in English or Greek:
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon & deliver you from all your sins, confirm & strengthen you in all goodness, & keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We then sing the ancient hymn of praise, the gloria:
(Choir) Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
(All) Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. **Glory to God...**
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God...

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. **Have mercy on us.**
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. **Receive our prayer.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. **Glory to God...**
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. **Amen. Amen. Amen!**

OPENING PRAYER FOR THIS SUNDAY Let us pray: *silence, then:*

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.

Amen.

Please sit for the 1ST READING Acts 2.1–21

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

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

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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “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.

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

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

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 104:26-33

The choir sings: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

And we respond: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

1. O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, spread far and wide, and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great. *Response*

2. There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan which you have made to play in the deep. All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. *Response*

3. When you give it them, they gather it; you open your hand and they are filled with good. When you hide your face they are troubled; when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust. *Response*

4. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in his works. *Response*

2ND READING I Corinthians 12.3b–13

³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says ‘Let Jesus be cursed!’ and no one can say ‘Jesus is Lord’ except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as the music starts for the GOSPEL reading (accounts of Jesus life and teaching) & face the procession as it moves to the centre of church:

Alleluia! **Alleluia!** Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful: And kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord. (John 7.37–39)

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, ‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, “Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.” ’ ³⁹Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON, *then silence for reflection.*

Then we stand for THE CREED: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,**

[All bow for] was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead ☩, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please feel free to sit or kneel during the PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL.

After each prayer, the leader may say:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

After praying for the dead, they may say:

✠ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Then: 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.

The priest ends the prayers: ...Jesus Christ: Amen.

THE PEACE:

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

During the hymn, a collection is taken: you are welcome to make a donation, or if you would like you can use a card reader at the back of the church.

1 O Thou who camest from above,
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart.

2 There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return
In humble prayer, and fervent praise.

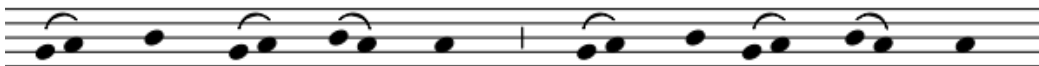
3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up the gift in me.

4 Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.

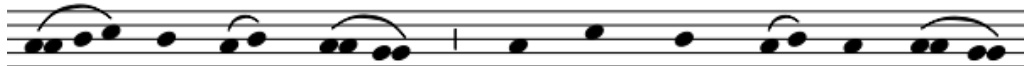
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS *Please stand for:*

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.** Father, by your Holy Spirit you keep the Church in unity and truth. As we break bread together, may we be one with Christ in faith and hope and love, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARIST



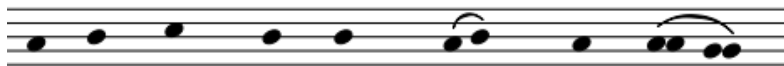
The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. **R. We lift them to the Lord.**



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest praises God for his acts, and then we join with the angels in their song of praise, as the choir sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The priest, recalling the last supper of Jesus and his disciples, prays that the bread and wine may become the body and blood of Christ.

After elevating the host and chalice, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Praise to you Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life,
Lord Jesus come in Glory**

The priest then prays for the church and the world, and the gift of God's spirit, ending, as the priest elevates the gifts:



for ev-er and ev-er. **A - men.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER



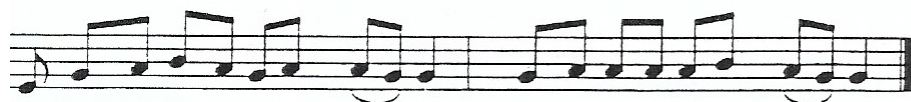
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, Hal-low - ed be thy name. Thy king-dom come;



thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread,



and for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us,



and lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil.

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

As the host is broken, the choir sing, in English or Latin:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us!

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Please come forward to receive communion. If you would like a blessing, ask as you approach, or cross your arms over your chest, and this will be given. We then sing:

1. The Spirit lives to set us free,
Walk, walk in the light;
He binds us all in unity,
Walk, walk in the light.

*Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light of the Lord.*

2. Jesus promised life to all,
Walk, walk in the light;
The dead were wakened by his call,
Walk, walk in the light.
Walk in the light...

3. We know his death was not the end,
Walk, walk in the light;
He gave his Spirit to be our friend,
Walk, walk in the light.
Walk in the light...

4. The Spirit lives in you and me,
Walk, walk in the light;
His light will shine for all to see,
Walk, walk in the light.
Walk in the light...

POST COMMUNION PRAYER Let us pray. *Please stand.*

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. **Amen**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

Followed by the NOTICES

COMMISSIONING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

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.

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us. As part of God's Church here in *St Peter's*, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide? **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love? **We will.** Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need? **We will.** Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God? **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

We will.

Then, THE BLESSING & THE DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, through the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ, **Thanks be to God.**

1. Come, Thou Holy Spirit, come!
And from Thy celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine!
Come, Thou Father of the poor!
Come, Thou Source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine!

4. Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour Thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away;
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

2. Thou, of comforters the best;
Thou, the soul's most welcome Guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

5. On the faithful, who adore
And confess Thee, evermore
In Thy sev'nfold gift descend;
Give them virtue's sure reward
Give them Thy salvation, Lord;
Give them joys that never end.

3. O most blessed Light divine,
Shine within these hearts of Thine,
And our inmost being fill!
Where Thou art not, man hath naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

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