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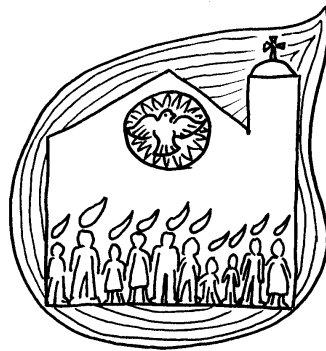
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**PENTECOST**

**May 24<sup>th</sup> 2026**



**10.30 THE PARISH MASS**

Come down, O Love divine!  
seek out this soul of mine  
and visit it with your own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

There let it freely burn  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let your glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and make my pathway clear, by your illuming.

Let holy charity  
my outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become my inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart  
which takes the humbler part,  
and for its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong  
with which the soul will long  
shall far surpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace  
till we become the place  
in which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

*V:* In the name of the Father, and of the Son✠and of the Holy Spirit.

*R:* **Amen.**

*V:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*R:* **And with your spirit.**

*After the greeting, the Priest stands with a vessel containing the water to be blessed before him, he calls upon the people to pray in these words:*

Dear brothers and sisters, let us humbly beseech the Lord our God to bless this water he has created, which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism.

May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

*After a brief pause for silence, he continues:*

Lord our God, in your mercy be present to your people's prayers, and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our creation and the still greater work of our redemption, graciously ✠ bless this water. For you created water to make the fields fruitful and to refresh and cleanse our bodies. You also made water the instrument of your mercy: for through water you freed your people from slavery and quenched their thirst in the desert; through water the Prophets proclaimed the new covenant you were to enter upon with the human race; and last of all, through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan, you have renewed our corrupted nature in the bath of regeneration. Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism we have received, and grant that we may share in the gladness of our brothers and sisters who at Easter have received their Baptism. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

*The Principal Celebrant sprinkles himself and the ministers, then the clergy and people, moving through the church while this song is sung.*

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
trusting his promise, heirs of salvation,  
faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
thankfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our King:  
born of one Father, we are his children,  
joyfully now God's praises we sing.

*The Principal Celebrant concludes the rite:-*

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,  
and through the celebration of this Eucharist  
make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom.

**R. Amen**

## **The Gloria**

Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

We worship you,

**Glory in the highest.**

Give you thanks,

**Glory in the highest.**

Praise you for your glory.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins 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.**

Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Amen. **Amen**

## **The Collect**

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation,

pour out, we pray, the gifts of the holy spirit

across the face of the earth

and, with the divine grace that was at work

when the Gospel was first proclaimed,

fill now once more the hearts of believers.

Through our lord Jesus Christ, your son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the holy spirit,

God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

## **First Reading** (*Reference: Acts 2:1-11*)

*Theme: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost arrived, the Apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.'

*V.* The Word of the Lord.

*R.* **Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul!  
O Lord my God, how great you are!  
How many are your works, O Lord!  
The earth is full of your creatures. **R.**

You take away their breath, they die,  
returning to the dust from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit, and they are created,  
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!  
May the Lord rejoice in his works!  
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I will rejoice in the Lord. **R.**

**Second Reading** (*Reference: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13*)

*Theme: 'In one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.'*

A reading from the First Letter of S Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and Sisters: No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 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. For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

V. The Word of the Lord

**R. Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

**Sequence Hymn** [NEH 139]

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:

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

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.

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.

On the faithful, who adore  
And confess thee, evermore  
In thy sevenfold gifts descend:  
Give them virtue's sure reward,  
Give them thy salvation, Lord,  
Give them joys that never end.

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

Gospel Acclamation

**R. O sing a new song giving praise to the Lord, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Gospel** (Reference: John 20: 19-23)

*Theme: 'As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you. receive the Holy Spirit.'*

V. The Lord be with you

**R. And with your spirit.**

V. A reading ☩ from the holy Gospel according to John

**R Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

**R Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please sit for the Address and then stand for the Creed and Prayer of the Faithful*

**The Creed**

**I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
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.  
I 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 adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **The Prayer of the Faithful**

V. Father, hear our prayer  
R. **and renew us in your spirit.**

### *Those in Need:*

Fr Keith, Charlie Banks, George Browne, Valerie Clarke, Elle Deveson, Denise Edmunds, Emily Glass, Adrian Gorman, Sue Korth, Minna Lucas, John Mason, Jen and Jez McAteer, Terry Roberts, Chris Swetman, Julie Swetman, Dorothy Valder, Alex, Amy, Christine, John, Rachel, Ray, Rita, Timothy,

### *The Recent Departed*

Val Daly

### *Year's Mind:*

(24) Kathleen Tullett, Leonard Brooker  
(25) Alfie Way  
(26) Arthur Ingram (Bp), Peter Cobb (Pr)  
(27) Charles Simons (Pr), Margaret Tyrie, Doris Cove, Jan Richardson  
(28) Frederick Betson, Percy Philcox, Lilian Craven  
(29) Lilian Young, Annette Walton, Theresa McSorley  
(30) Percy Buden

### **Offertory Hymn** [NEH 142]

Sing to him in whom creation  
Found its shape and origin;  
Spirit, moving on the waters,  
Troubled by the God within;  
Source of breath to all things breathing,  
Life in whom all live begin.

Sing to God, the close companion  
Of our inmost thoughts and ways;  
Who, in showing us his wonders,  
Is himself the power to gaze;  
And his will, to those who listen,  
By a still small voice conveys.

Holy men, both priest and prophet,  
Caught his accents, spoke his word;  
His the truth behind the wisdoms  
Which as yet know not the Lord;  
He the love of God eternal,  
Which in Christ was seen and heard.

Tell of how the ascended Jesus  
Armed a people for his own;  
How a hundred men and women  
Turned the known world upside down,  
To its dark and furthest corners  
By the Wind of Whitsun blown.

Pray we then, O Lord the spirit,  
On our lives descend in might;  
Let thy flame break out within us,  
Fire our hearts and clear our sight,  
'til, white hot in thy possession,  
we, too, set the world alight.

Praise, O praise the Holy Spirit,  
Praise the Father, praise the Word,  
Source, and Truth, and inspiration,  
Trinity in deep accord:  
Through thy Voice which speaks within us  
We thy creatures own thee Lord. Amen

V. Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.  
R. **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 holy Church.**

## The Prayer over the Gifts

V The Lord be with you  
R **And with your spirit.**  
V Lift up your hearts  
R **We lift them up to the Lord**  
V Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
R **It is right and just.**

### *The Proper Preface*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might:  
Heaven and earth, heaven and earth are full of your glory, your pow'r and might.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns. (Twice)**

**Blessèd, blessèd is he who comes, Blessèd, blessèd is he who comes;  
Blessèd is he,  
Blessèd is he comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna.....**

### *The Eucharistic Prayer*

V. The mystery of faith

**When we eat this living bread, when we drink this saving cup,  
We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in  
glory. Hosanna.....**

### *The Eucharistic Prayer*

**Amen, Amen. Hosanna....**

## The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come;  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

V Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
R **For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

V Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.  
R **Amen.**

V The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
R **And with your spirit.**  
V Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## The Agnus Dei

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Jesus, glorious brightness, flame of love:  
Jesus, filling hearts and minds with life:  
**R. HEAR OUR PRAYER HAVE MERCY;  
HEAR OUR PRAYER HAVE MERCY;  
GIVE US YOUR PEACE.**

Jesus, healing strength, redeeming power:  
Jesus burning out the mark of sin: **R**

Jesus, by whose truth we are inspired:  
Jesus, present here among us now. **R**

Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light:  
Jesus, here in form of bread and wine: **R**

V        ✕ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
R        **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Please be guided to Communion by the Stewards*

*Silence will be kept after Communion*

## The Post Communion Prayer

### Post Communion Hymn     227

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God's Spirit is in my heart,  
He has called me and set me apart.  
This is what I have to do,  
what I have to do.  
**He sent me to give the Good News to the poor,  
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,  
Tell blind people that they can see,  
And set the downtrodden free  
And go tell everyone the news that the Kingdom of God has come,  
And go tell everyone the news that the Kingdom of God has come.**

Just as the Father sent me,  
So I'm sending you out to be  
My witnesses throughout the world,  
The whole of the world.    **R**

Don't carry a load in your pack,  
You don't need to shirts on your back.  
A workman can earn his own keep,  
Can earn his own keep.    **R**

Don't worry what you have to say,  
Don't worry because on that day  
God's Spirit will speak in your heart,  
Will speak in your heart.    **R**

V        The Lord be with you  
R        **And with your spirit.**

V        May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son X    and the Holy Spirit,  
R        **Amen**

V        Go forth, the Mass is ended. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
R        **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The Regina Caeli**

Joy to thee O Queen of Heaven, Alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, Alleluia.  
As he promised hath arisen, Alleluia.  
Pour for us to him thy prayer, Alleluia.

*V.* Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.

**R. For the Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia..**

Let us pray.

O God, by the resurrection of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought joy to the whole world:  
grant that, by the help of his mother the Virgin Mary,  
we may obtain the joys of everlasting life;  
through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

**School Theme for the Week**

**‘Half Term’**

**Mass this Week**

Mon	OL Mother of the Church	12.00
Tue	S Philip Neri	12.30
<b>Wed</b>	<b>S Augustine of Canterbury</b>	<b>17.30</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Christ the High Priest</b>	<b>17.30</b>
Fri	S Paul VI	~::~~
Sat	OL on Saturday	11.00

**Next Sunday**

**The Holy Trinity  
PARISH MASS 10.30**

### **CHANGE OF MASS TIMES**

Please note Mass on Monday is at 12 noon not 10 am and there is no Mass on Friday.

### **WAGNER GROUP MEAL**

Please remember that there is no service tonight before the meal. We meet at Donatello's at 6.45 for 7 pm. Please also remember to bring cash to pay for your drinks, service charge and any extras you may have.

### **CONSULTATION SURVEY REGARDING NEW BISHOP OF CHICHESTER**

If you would like to comment on the appointment of a new bishop, there is an online survey which you can complete at [tinyurl.com/next-bishop](http://tinyurl.com/next-bishop). It is open until 26th May.

### **PCC**

The next PCC will be on Tuesday, 2nd June with Mass at 7 pm followed by the meeting.

### **S BARNABAS PATRONAL FESTIVAL**

This will be held on Thursday, 11th June at 7 pm at S Barnabas Church, Hove. Please see board outside main door of church for further details.

### **SUMMER CELEBRATION**

This is the new name for the Summer Fayre and it will be held on 13th June from 11 am to 2 pm.

We would be grateful for donations towards the following:

- Bottle stall
- Raffle
- Cakes or savouries for the homemade stall
- Small prizes or sweets for the games stalls and children's tombola

The bottle will also be available for any loose change you may like to give towards setting up costs.

Help in setting up and on the day would be most appreciated.

### **OPEN CHURCH DURING MAY AND JUNE**

**12 noon to 2pm**

**Teac/Coffee available**

In lieu of Jumble Sales it has been decided that we will open the Church on a Saturday from the beginning of May to the end of June with refreshments available. We will also set up a bric a brac table outside. Each week there will be a theme for the tables and below is the list of these:

30 <sup>th</sup> May	Games
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Tools
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Left overs from Summer Fayre
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Music and Videos

If you have anything you would like to bring in for these tables please make sure you bring them in on the Sunday before the relevant theme for your items..