



# PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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## SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Pentecost Sunday, Year C

**Prayer For The SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**



**The SPIRIT OF WISDOM**  
that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal

**The SPIRIT OF KNOWLEDGE**  
that I may know God and know myself

**The SPIRIT OF COUNSEL**  
that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven.

**The SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING**  
to enlighten my mind with the light of your divine truth

**The SPIRIT OF PIETY**  
that I may find the service of God sweet, amiable and irresistible

**The SPIRIT OF FORTITUDE**  
that I may bear my cross with you and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation

**The SPIRIT OF FEAR OF GOD**  
that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way, to displease him, Amen.



### Pentecost

Pentecost literally means 50th. It is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the Passover feast by the Jews and a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by Christians. The Jewish Pentecost was originally a post-harvest thanksgiving feast. Later, the Jews included in it the remembrance of God's Covenants with Noah after the Deluge and with Moses at Mt. Sinai

The event: On the day of Pentecost:

1. The Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary as tongues of fire.
2. The frightened apostles were transformed into fiery preachers and evangelizers and were given the gift of tongues by a special anointing of the Holy Spirit.
3. The listeners experienced a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit through the apostles' gift of tongues: they heard Peter speaking in their native languages.
4. The early Christians became powerful witnesses and brave martyrs for their Faith in Jesus.

Life messages: We need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives:

1. by constantly remembering His holy presence and behaving well.
2. by praying for His daily anointing so that we may fight against our temptations and control our evil tendencies, evil habits, and addictions.
3. by asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading, and talking to Him by personal, family, and liturgical prayers; and
4. by asking the help of the Holy Spirit to do good for others and to be reconciled with God and others every day.

**Confessions** on request either in the Church or the presbytery at any time you prefer.

<b><u>Readers</u></b>	Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
	Jo Williams	Richard Shrimplin	Liz Greaves

If you wish to join the Reader's Rota, please complete the form in the porch.

Sat 07 Jun	6:30 PM	Pentecost Sunday	
Sun 08 Jun	9:30 AM		
	11:00 AM		
Mon 09 Jun	10:00 AM	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	
Tue 10 Jun	10:00 AM	Tuesday in the 10 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	Peace in the World.
Wed 11 Jun	No Mass	St Barnabas, Apostle	
Thu 12 Jun	10:00 AM	<u>Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest</u>	Sanctification of Priests
Fri 13 Jun	6:00 PM	St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church	Vocations
		Holy Hour	
Sat 14 Jun	6:30 PM	The Most Holy Trinity	For the Souls in Purgatory
Sun 125 Jun	9:30 AM		Thanksgiving
	11:00 AM		For the Souls in Purgatory

**Foodbank** As anticipated, the Foodbank has seen an increase in the number of people who are in food poverty. At all times, the Foodbank tries to ensure that its clients receive a parcel that provides a balanced diet. Currently, we are experiencing a shortage of coffee (large and small), long life milk and long-life fruit juice, shower gel and tea bags. tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding and custard. We are always grateful for the support we receive and any help you can provide.

**Weekly Collection** We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish.

Sunday	1 June	-	£373.85
Weekly Standing Orders		-	£112.00

It would help greatly with paying in and processing at the bank if any cheques to the church are made payable to: **"St George Whitchurch"** which is the correct name for the parish account.

**Our parish safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke.**