



## Please Pray for

...those who have died, including:

**Bill McDowell, John Daniels, Ruth Solomon** (Wellow Wood),

**Sylvia Flood** (Nick's brother's widow), and **Tony Bell** (funeral 1.30pm 29<sup>th</sup> May)

...those who are unwell, including: **Debbie Arthur, Debbie Matthias,**

**Jeanine Stewart, Lawrence Nash, Liz Bellingham** (dtr of Roy Perry),

**Margaret Harden, Mavis Eastwood, Nick Turner** (in hospital, making progress),

**Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell, Richard** (Liz Holton's brother) & **Simon Bell**

Today we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, 'the giver of life': Pentecost (Greek *Pentecoste* - fiftieth) was a Jewish harvest festival occurring 50 days after the Passover. It marked the occasion when, with signs of wind and flame, the Spirit came upon the first disciples. Now they were empowered to bear witness to Christ. 'Whit Sunday' refers to the white robes usually worn by those baptized on this day.

### Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Acts 2:1-21	<i>The Holy Spirit comes</i>
Monday	Joel 2:18-29	<i>God will pour out his Spirit</i>
Tuesday	Ezekiel 39:7-8,21-29	<i>The Spirit is promised</i>
Wednesday	Acts 4:5-21	<i>Peter and John give witness</i>
Thursday	Acts 4:23-31	<i>The believers pray for boldness</i>
Friday	Acts 8:14-25	<i>Samaritans receive the Spirit</i>
Saturday	Psalms 33:12-22	<i>The Lord is our help and shield</i>
Sunday	Matthew 28:16-20	<i>Baptism in the Triune Name</i>

**A Morning Prayer:** Spirit of God, please work in us today. Help us use our gifts to bless others. Amen. (1 Corinthians 12:6-7)

**An Evening Prayer:** Send your Spirit upon us, Lord. Give us new life, so that we may praise you forever. Amen. (Psalm 104:30,33)

**A Blessing to Give:** May the Lord Jesus give you his peace, fill you with his joy, and breathe into you his Spirit. Amen. (John 20:19-22)



### Readings for 31<sup>st</sup> May – Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 40:12-17,27-end; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-end; Matthew 28:16-20

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**Thorngate &  
Blackwater**  
BENEFICE

## News & Notices - 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May



*Pentecost – Artist Unknown*

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Pentecost

8.15am	Communion (BCP) in Wellow
From 9am	Online Service <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches">www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches</a>
9am	Matins (BCP) in West Tytherley
9.15am	Sung Matins (BCP) in Wellow
1030am	Eucharist in Lockerley
11am	Morning Prayer in Sherfield English
1145am	Lockerley Annual Meetings in Church
6pm	Evensong (BCP) in East Dean
9pm	Online Night Prayer <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches">www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches</a>

### 24<sup>th</sup> May – Pentecost

Numbers 11:24-30 Psalm 104:26-36,37b	Acts 2:1-21 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13	John 20:19-23 or 7:37-39
The Spirit of God falls on Eldad and Medad, as well as the chosen elders. Moses recognises that prophecy cannot be contained by human regulations or expectations.	<b>Acts 2:1-21</b> The Holy Spirit gives new power to the disciples, enabling them to share the good news of Christ with a wider audience. <b>1 Corinthians 12:3b-13</b> The Holy Spirit is the giver of gifts, given by God for the building up of the body of Christ.	<b>John 20:19-23</b> God the creator brought Adam to life by breathing into his nostrils. Now Jesus breathes new life into the disciples, giving them the Holy Spirit. <b>Or John 7:37-39</b> Jesus connects the life-giving power of the Holy Spirit, who is to come

*# Acts must be one of the readings for the day (replacing OT or NT Reading)*

**Monday to Saturday**

9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer [www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches)

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

9am Eucharist in Lockerley  
3pm Wellow PCC Meeting

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

1.30pm Funeral of Tony Bell at Test Valley Crematorium

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Trinity Sunday**

From 9am Online Service [www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches)  
1030am Benefice Communion (BCP) in East Dean  
3pm Baptism of Jimmy Cooper at Lockerley  
9pm Online Night Prayer [www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches)



	7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	14 <sup>th</sup> Jun	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun
<b>East Dean</b>	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	6pm (BCP) Evensong
<b>East Tytherley</b>	-	9.30am Short but Sweet	-	-
<b>Lockerley</b>	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist
<b>Sherfield English</b>	11am Communion	11am Morning Prayer	11am Family Service	11am Morning Prayer
<b>West Tytherley</b>	9.45/10am Breakfast Church	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist	9am (BCP) Matins
<b>Wellow</b>	9.15am Sung Eucharist 4pm Messy Church	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Sung Eucharist	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins

**Charity of the Month - May 2026**

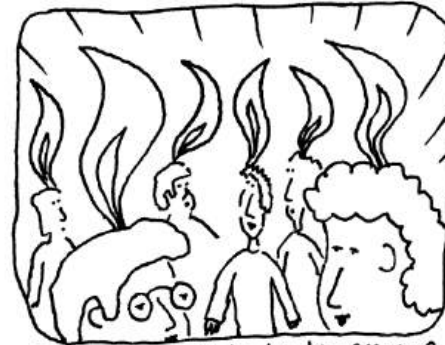
In May, the Charity of the Month is Christian Aid. An agency of the churches in the UK and Ireland, Christian Aid works wherever the need is greatest, irrespective of religion. It works with some of the world's most vulnerable communities in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and Latin America and the Caribbean. Christian Aid believes in strengthening people to find their own solutions to the problems they face. It strives for a new world transformed by an end to poverty and campaigns to change the rules that keep people poor. More details from [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)



(Collection Baskets in Churches or send donations to the Vicar at Crispins, Lockerley)

**PENTECOST**

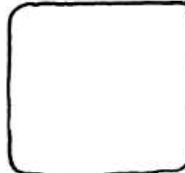
Reading from the Bible  
Acts chapter 2



What seemed to be tongues of fire came to rest on each of them... a sound like a violent gale... they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in languages from all around the world...

LANGUAGES I CAN SPEAK

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
(CONTINUE OVERLEAF)



FIRE

Things that fall over when it's windy

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
5 \_\_\_\_\_

Why the hurricane sound, fire and different languages?  
your ideas here



OR



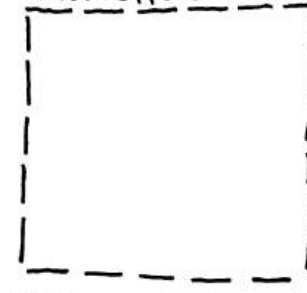
How do you imagine the scene?

I spend time listening to \_\_\_\_\_ but I would prefer to listen to \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to speak to \_\_\_\_\_

what happened before this story?

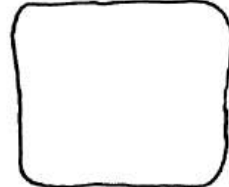
what happened next?



My name is \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer:

- Flying a kite
- sailing
- chasing leaves



My hair on a windy day

MARKS OUT OF 10

- Ornate fireplace
- Fire alarm going off
- Fire engine
- Firefox
- Bonfire night

I would like it if the spirit helped me to...