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'Love one another as I have loved you', says the Lord.



Churchwardens: Ms Lavern Ford & Mr Andrew Taylor

Organist: Mr William Parkinson with S. Paul's Singers



**THE FEAST OF
PENTECOST
24th May 2026**

**THE PARISH MASS
CHORAL
10.30am**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

Mass Setting: Mass for Four Voices (1592-3)

by **William Byrd** (c. 1540-1623).

Hymns in CAHON (orange book) Please join in with the Bold Type

¶ THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Choir sings the Introit, O Lord give thy Holy Spirit

Composed by **Thomas Tallis** (c.1505-1585), a setting of a prayer included in *Christian Prayers and Meditations*, a foundational Elizabethan devotional collection compiled by **Henry Bull** and first published in 1566, and known as "Lidley's Prayers".

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit
into our hearts,
and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name,
all the days of our life,
that we may know thee,
the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Stand.

Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains
all things understands what is said, alleluia. *Cf. Wisdom 1: 7*

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Processional Hymn: 163

Father, Lord of all Creation (Tune: Abbot's Leigh)

The Greeting

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

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

Alleluia, Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

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.
Today, with Christ's earliest followers,
we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people,
through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water

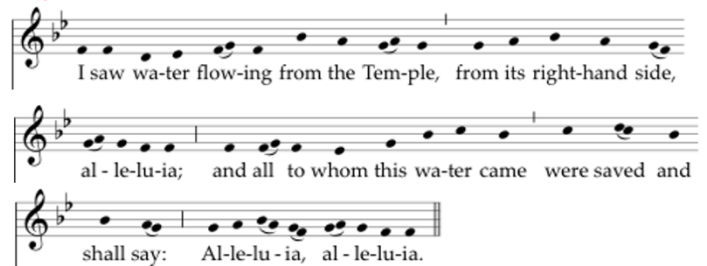
replaces the Penitential Act

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 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 during Eastertide have
received their Baptism. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Afterward taking the aspergillum, the priest sprinkles himself then the people,
moving through the church, whilst we sing the Vidi Aquam.*

Antiphon



The choir sings The Kyrie Eleison

Kýrie, eléison. Christe, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

Gloria in Excelsis

et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o
/ Laudámus te, benedícimus te,
/ adorámus te, glorificámus te,

/ grátias ágimus tibi / propter magnam glóriam tuam,
/ Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, / Deus Pater omnipotens.
/ Dómine Fili unigénite, / Iesu Christe, / Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
/ qui tollis peccáta mundi, / miserére nobis;
/ qui tollis peccáta mundi, / súscipe deprecationem nostram.
/ Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, / miserére nobis.
/ Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, / tu solus Dóminus,
/ tu solus Altíssimus, / Iesu Christe, / cum Sancto Spíritu:
/ ✠ in glória Dei Patris. / Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

*We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,*

*we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.*

*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 Father. Amen.*

The Collect

Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives
to bring Christ to the world.

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.**

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the readings.

First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2: 1-21)

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³ But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, 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.²²

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: 104: 24-35 is sung by the choir

Benedic, anima mea

²⁴ O Lord, how manifold are thy works :

in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

²⁵ So is the great and wide sea also :

wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

²⁶ There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan:

whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

²⁷ These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

²⁸ When thou givest it them they gather it :

and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

²⁹ When thou hidest thy face they are troubled :

when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

³⁰ When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made :

and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

³¹ The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever :
the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

³² The earth shall tremble at the look of him :

if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

³³ I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live :

I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.

³⁵ As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

Second Reading from the New Testament

A reading from the First Letter of S. Paul to the Corinthians (12: 3b-13)

³ No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to 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. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹² 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. ¹³ For 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.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand & turn to face the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

♪ **Alleluia!** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!** ♪

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

✠ A reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ **John (20: 19-23)**
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹ It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

Stand

Niceno-Constantinopolitan 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,

(Genuflect) was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made human. (Rise)

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 age to come. Amen.

Remain standing

Prayers of Intercession

Celebrant

Let us now unite in prayer, as the disciples did on the first Pentecost, and open ourselves to receive the very same Holy Spirit.

We pray to the Lord, saying ... **Lord have mercy.**

Intercessor 1

That the Church on this Day of Pentecost may be renewed by the gifts of the Holy Spirit and reach out to all people with faith, hope and love.

We pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 2

That the Holy Spirit of Peace may unite and reconcile the peoples and nations of the earth, bringing an end to war, hatred, and discrimination.

We pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 3

That the Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life, may renew the face of the earth and make it a common heritage for all creatures where justice and peace embrace, the poor are fed, strangers are welcomed, the oppressed are liberated, and all live in dignity. We pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 4

That the Holy Spirit may bring hope, healing and strength to all who are sick, bereaved, or in any other kind of need.

(Fr Paul adds: We especially remember ...), We pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 5

That each baptized Christian may develop more fully their response to all the gifts which the Spirit bestows for the service of the Body of Christ. We pray to the Lord.

Celebrant

That the Holy Spirit, who purifies us of sin and raises the dead, may bring all our departed loved ones into the fullness of God's presence.

We pray to you for the recently departed, *especially...*

and for all those whose anniversaries fall at this time *especially...*

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

✠ May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

The celebrant invites us to offer our personal intentions, and then leads us in asking for the Prayers of our Lady & the Saints.

Mary, the Mother of Jesus, was with the disciples on the Day of Pentecost. We ask her prayers: **Hail Mary...**

S. Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles, **Pray for us.**

S. Joseph of Nazareth, S. Peter, Prince of the Apostles

S. Paul the Apostle, our Patron, S. Augustine and S. Monica

S. Benedict and S. Scholastica, S. Francis and S. Clare of Assisi

The Venerable Bede, S. Aldhelm, S. Augustine of Canterbury

S. Philip Neri, S. Lanfranc, All you angels and saints.

Most merciful God and Father, bless us with the sevenfold gifts of your Holy Spirit and let our lives show forth the fruits and harvest of the same Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Remain standing.

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared.

The Offertory Hymn: 127

Come, thou Holy Spirit, come (Tune: Veni, Sancte Spiritus)

Remain standing.

Orate Fratres

Pray my sisters and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours 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.

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Celebrant sings **the Preface** in which God is praised for his mighty acts,
& the choir sings the **Sanctus & Benedictus**:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excélsis.

✠ **Benedíctus** qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

*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 celebrant recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is said:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:

AMEN.

¶ THE COMMUNION RITE

Remain standing.

The Lord's Prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.**

The celebrant adds:

*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 distress
as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.*

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Peace

Lord Jesus Christ, you 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 grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those immediately around us,
a sign that expresses peace, communion, and love.*

*The choir sings **Agnus Dei**
during which the president takes the host and breaks it over the paten,
placing a small piece in the chalice.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin 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.**

Communion Antiphon

The disciples were all filled with the Holy Spirit,
and they spoke of the great things God had done, Alleluia! *Acts 2: 4, 11*

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople.

The Body / Blood of Christ.

*The communicant replies
Amen.
and then receives.*

*** At home, make an Act of Spiritual Communion ***

As you imagine yourself receiving the Bread of Heaven, be still and rest in the love of God. Thank Him for entering beneath the roof of your soul.

O Sacred Feast! Wherein Christ is received, his Passion is remembered, our souls are filled with grace and the pledge of eternal glory is received.
O Sacrum Convivium, 13th century (attributed to S. Thomas Aquinas)

After receiving Holy Communion read & pray quietly in thanksgiving.

THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. (x10)

THE TRISAGION (Thrice Holy)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (x3)

Choir sings the **Communion Motet, Veni creator spiritus.**

Composed (1581) by Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

Text by Rabanus Maurus (776-856), Hymn at Second Vespers on Whit Sunday

O Veni Creator Spiritus
Mentes tuorum visita,
Imple superna gratia,
Quae tu creasti pectora.

Qui Paraclitus diceris
Donum Dei altissimi,
Fons vivus ignis caritas,
Et spiritalis unctio.

Tu septiformis munera,
Dextrae Dei tu digitus,
Tu rite promissum Patris,
Sermonem ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus,
Infunde amorem cordibus:
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpeti.

Hostem repellas longius,
Pacemque dones protinus:
Ductore sic te praevio
Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem
Noscamus atque Filium,
Te utriusque Spiritum,
Credamus omni tempore.

Gloria Patri Domino,
Natoque qui a mortuis
Surrexit ac Paraclito,
In saeculorum saecula. Amen.

Come Creator Spirit,
visit the souls that are thine;
fill with heavenly grace
the hearts thou hast created.

Thou art severally called Paraclete
gift of God most high,
fount of life, fire, love
and the soul's anointing.

Seven gifts are thine to give;
finger of the Father's right hand art thou;
clear promise of the Father;
grant the grace of speech to men's tongues.

Kindle a light in our minds;
infuse our hearts with love;
and sustain our bodily infirmity
with thy unailing strength.

Scatter our foes afar;
grant us always the gift of peace;
ever guide us so that
we may avoid all that is sinful.

Grant that through thee we may
know the Father and the Son;
and may ever believe thee to be
the Spirit of both.

Glory be to God the Father and
to the Son, who rose from the dead,
and to the Paraclete
for ever and ever. Amen.

No Kneeling during Eastertide in order to commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord.

"Since there are some who kneel on Sunday and during the season of Pentecost, this holy synod decrees that, so that the same observances may be maintained in every diocese, one should offer one's prayers to the Lord standing."

First Ecumenical Council of Nicea 325. Canon 20

The Communion Hymn: 84

Breathe on me, Breath of God (Tune: Carlisle)

Missional advice from a Pentecost sermon by S. John Chrysostom

Archbishop of Constantinople from 397 (c.349-407)

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts of the Apostles, 2: 43-47

"It is not for lack of miracles that the church is stagnant; it is because we have forsaken the angelic life of Pentecost, and fallen back on private property. If we lived as they did, with all things common, we should soon convert the whole world without any need of miracles at all."
"For 'mine' and 'thine' - those chilly words which introduce innumerable wars into the world - should be eliminated from that holy Church . . . The poor would not envy the rich because there would be no rich. Neither would the poor be despised by the rich, for there would be no poor. All things would be in common."

¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

Stand.

Postcommunion Prayer

Merciful Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every tribe, language and people 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.**



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Stand.

The Solemn Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives. **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

And the blessing of almighty God,
✠ the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal



I-te, missa est, alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia. R. De- o grá-ti- as,
alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia.

The Recessional Hymn: 231

God's Spirit is in my heart (Tune: Go, tell everyone - Tempo Rubato)

Regina Cæli

(Tune for Ascension until Pentecost: Llanfair)

**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 God thy prayer, alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
For the Lord hath risen indeed, alleluia.

The Bell is rung 33 times,

once for each year of the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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*** **The Paschal Candle** is then carried to the Font. ***

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Organ Voluntary

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THE KALENDAR PENTECOST & 8th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

24th – 30th MAY 2026

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 24th, MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am**, EP 5pm
MON, 25th, The Venerable Bede, S. Aldhelm No Public Liturgies
TUES, 26th, S. Augustine of Canterbury, S. Philip Neri
 MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
WEDS, 27th, Feria MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
THURS, 28th, S. Lanfranc MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
FRI, 29th, Feria MP 9.15am, EP 6.00pm
SAT, 30th, of the BVM MP 9.15am, **Mass 10.00am**, EP 6pm

DAILY OFFICE: MP = Morning Prayer, EP = Evening Prayer

31st MAY 2026: TRINITY SUNDAY

MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am

PARISH MASS SUNG with HOLY CONFIRMATION at 10.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: Bishop Rob Wickham
Asst-Bishop, CEO of the Church Urban Fund

EVENING PRAYER at 5.00pm

THE NOTICES

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)
follows Parish Mass today, 24th May.

Please let Fr Paul know if you are interested in
HOLY BAPTISM &/or in **HOLY CONFIRMATION**

Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω

Thursday, 18th June 8.30-10pm on Zoom.

When we will watch and discuss the film,

'The Flowers of Saint Francis' (1950)

Directed by Roberto Rossellini.

All welcome. Info & login details on Parish website
& the Rector's Weekly Email.



CHURCH CLEANING every Saturday after Mass until 12.30pm.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

'The Lord loves a cheerful giver.'

The Church, based upon biblical teaching, asks every Christian to give a Tithe, 10% of their time, talents & money to God's work, and recommends that members contribute 5% of their income to their church. **E.g. If you earn:**

£5000 a year or, £96 a week = Give £5 a week to S. Paul's.
 £10000 a year, £192 a week = £10 a week. £20000 a year, £385 a week = £20 a week.
 £25000 a year, £480 a week = £25 a week. £30000 a year, £577 a week = £30 a week.
 Over the year our costs run to almost £1,000 a week. We receive no external subsidies, and all monies must be raised from the parishioners, through lettings, or voluntary donations. **Thank you** for all financial contributions which help to pay for: - the: Utility bills of the church, (gas, electricity, water) - Costs of maintaining the worship, (e.g. candles, wine, wafers, incense) - Maintenance, cleaning, & repair of our Grade I Listed church, (substantial costs) - Office costs (e.g. postage, printing, paper) - Monthly Diocesan Parish Share to the Diocese, (80p out of every £1 we give to the Diocese goes towards clergy stipends).

We ask everyone, who can, to please give via Direct Debit, Standing Order, or, via the Weekly Envelope Scheme.

GIVING VIA DIRECT DEBIT: Please see the **PARISH GIVING SCHEME** information leaflet and Direct Debit Form, on the Parish Website

ONLINE GIVING: Our **Give A Little** page is available on our website, via the **Donate** button, or here: <https://bit.ly/spd-giving>

✠ FURTHER INFORMATION & UPDATES ✠

On the **Parish Website, Church Noticeboard** (churchyard forecourt) & **Subscribe to the Rector's Weekly Email**

directly from the link on the website or by sending an email to:

stpaulsdeptford@btinternet.com

sent every Friday via MailChimp (GDPR compliant)