**Sunday 24th May 2015**

**Pentecost Sunday**

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Hymns: ***English Hymnal***

Mass Setting: *Gregory Murray.*

Motet:

Entrance Hymn: *152* Sequence: *155*

Offertory Hymn: *393* Communion Hymns: *598 & 153*

Recessional Hymn: *396* Voluntary:

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The departed: Winifred Hurrell, Frank Josey, Kathleen Lovett, Betty Miller, Ralph Searle (Priest) and Ethel Whitehouse.



**The Feast of Pentecost**

Pentecost is sometimes called the “birthday of the Church”,

for it was from that upper room where the disciples were

assembled that the Good News went forth into all the world

They had been equipped with wisdom beyond their natural

ability to fulfil our Lord’s last instruction to “go into all the

world and make disciples”. This gift of wisdom is one that we should also earnestly desire “for as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God” (Rom. 8.14). The love we have for God and man, the wisdom to make it known, these are the gifts of Pentecost. May they be ours today and always, “Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire; and lighten with celestial fire”.

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**Psalter Week 4**

**Sunday Readings: Year B. Weekday Readings: Year 1.**

**TODAY AT**

**S GILES**

Monday

25 May

Tuesday

26 May

Wednesday

27 May

Thursday

28 May

Friday

29 May

Saturday

30 May

**Sunday**

**31 May**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**10.00 Mattins**

**10.30 Parish Mass &**

 **Sunday School**

**17.30 Evensong**

**18.00 Low Mass**

S Bede the Venerable

No Services

S Philip Neri, Priest

09.00 Mattins

17.30 Evensong

18.00 Low Mass

S Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, Apostle of England

10.00 Mattins

10.30 Low Mass

18.00 Evensong

Thursday of Week 8 of Ordinary Time

09.00 Mattins

18.30 Evensong

19.00 Low Mass

19.30 Sinners & Saints talk

Friday of Week 8 of Ordinary Time

11.00 Mattins

11.30 Bible Study

12.30 Low Mass

16.30 Evensong

Saturday of Week 8 of Ordinary Time

09.30 Mattins

10.00 Low Mass

16.30 Evensong

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**10.00 Mattins**

**10.30 Parish Mass &**

 **Sunday School**

**17.30 Evensong**

**18.00 Low Mass**

**NOTICES & EVENTS**

*We welcome any visitors here this morning and hope that you will stay for refreshments after the service.*

We welcome Timothy Hora who is playing the Organ.

**Sinners and Saints**The next Sinners and Saints lecture is scheduled for **Thursday 28 May at 7.30pm**.  The talk will be on the very influential American journalist, social activist, and devout Catholic convert, Dorothy Day. She advocated the Catholic economic theory of distributism. In the 1930s, Day worked closely with fellow activist Peter Maurin to establish the Catholic Worker Movement, a pacifist movement that continues to combine direct aid for the poor and homeless with nonviolent direct action on their behalf. She served as editor of the Catholic Worker newspaper from 1933 until her death in 1980.  The talk and discussion will be led by Angela Wills.

**Fr Sam's ordination to the priesthood** is scheduled for Saturday, 27 June at 3pm.  His first mass will be the following day, Sunday 28 June at 6pm.  We will have a low mass that morning at 10.30am, and encourage all to come to the evening parish mass.

*If you have any notices that require adding to the sheet, please contact Anne or Geoff Canterbury at canterbury@ntlworld.com or 0118 961 0525 by Wednesday of the previous week.*

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

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

***or***

***The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.***

**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, one God, for ever and ever.

***Amen.***

**THE FIRST READING** (Acts 2: 1-11)

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and

began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. "Surely," they said, "all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us

hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God."

*The Word of the Lord*

**THE GRADUAL PSALM** Psalm 103: 1-2; 11-12; 19-20:

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

***or***

***Alleluia!*** ***Alleluia!*** ***Alleluia!***

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are.

How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came.

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

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord.

**THE SECOND LESSON** (Galatians 5: 16-25)

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians.*

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law

can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,

goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

*The word of the Lord.*

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

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

***Alleluia!***

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** (John 15: 26-27; 16: 12-15)

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth,

since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why l said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine."

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**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.***

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

***They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.***

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**
O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

***Amen.***