



Notices for 19<sup>th</sup> of May 2024

## Day of Pentecost

*A warm welcome to everyone;  
please come into the hall for refreshments after the service.*

**Collect:** Please refer to the OOS

### Hymns:

- 191** O thou who camest from above
- 175** Come down. O love divine
- 2** Christ whose glory fills the skies
- 182** Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost
- 174** Breathe on me, breath of God

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

### Readings:

#### Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered,

because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, 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 Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"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.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### **John 15.26-27**

'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

## **John 16.4b-15**

But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

**Post-communion prayer:** Please refer to the OOS

### **Vacancy Notices and Dates**

On Weds 17<sup>th</sup> April, the PCC held what is known as a "Section 11 Meeting". In this meeting it was agreed that the Parish Profile is now finalised, we will proceed to advertise the position in the Church Times during May, and Dan and Peter are now elected as the parish representatives for the interview process. Dan and Peter will meet with Revd Alex Stevens, Archdeacon Martin Breadmore and Bishop Paul Davies in early June to consider applications for interview in early July.

### **Sharing of the Peace**

Following discussion in PCC, and consultation with the area dean, it is agreed that we will evolve our guidance for the exchange of the Peace. Our policy of

asking everyone simply to wave was introduced during the Covid pandemic, and we still want to respect social distancing for those who chose to retain this. For now, we are asking everyone to remain in their pews, and to shake

hands only where it is mutually agreeable between those sitting next to one another.

**8am SERVICES will be held only once a month** on the first Sunday of each month. Any questions please talk to Dan or Peter.

**Epsom & Ewell foodbank - Top 5 requirements needed for:**

1. Tinned meat 2. Cooking sauces 3. Custard 4. Pulses 5. Jam/Spreads

### **Used Stamps**

Please remember to put your used stamps into the red box at the back of church. Once trimmed, these go to the Princess Alice Hospice shop with sale proceeds to the Hospice. ***Enquiries Jean Ryall Lucas***

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **Saturday 22nd June 3pm - Midsummer tea party**

Tickets are now on sale for the midsummer tea party on Saturday 22nd June at 3pm. If you would like a ticket, please see Sara, Daphne or Annie, or email Sara on [sarablairtomlin@gmail.com](mailto:sarablairtomlin@gmail.com)

### **Saturday 22nd June 7:30pm – Summer Concert 2024**

Kingston and Malden Scout and Guide band performing at St Mary's church. Adult Entry £7:50, under 16 Free. ***Enquiries Karl Nicholas.***

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June** St Mary will be taking part in this year's Big Day Out in Shadbolt Park. It will be good to have a strong presence for the event to promote the church in the community.

If you are able to help out, please contact David Eames.

### **Looking Forward...**

Sunday 24th November - Sunday Christmas Homemade Sunday

Also - parish barbecue in September - date to be arranged  
additional homemade Sundays - dates to be arranged.