## **GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY**



#### Over to Us

The disciples who for weeks had hidden away for fear of the Jews suddenly started behaving in an astonishing way. They came out of hiding and started teaching in many languages. What had got into them? Quite simply, the Holy Spirit had got into them as Jesus had promised. Those previously terrified people were suddenly filled with courage, energy, inspiration, purpose and conviction.

What is truly exciting about the Pentecost story is that we too have been given that very same Spirit in our baptism. So, if we have received the same Spirit as was breathed into those first disciples, why can't we rush round doing amazing things too? One answer might be that we haven't really tried yet. One answer might be that to date we haven't really been tested? Another answer perhaps is that we can't quite place our faith in it. How sad though if the Pentecost story is simply a story contained by the past. How sad if we don't believe the men and women of our own time whose inspirational lives and huge courage point to the work of the Holy Spirit ... men and women who far from being super human were born just the same as the rest of us.

The Holy Spirit is given to all of us, and with it comes the power to transform the world ... the first disciples knew it ... now it's our turn.

#### **REGINA COELI**

Queen of heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.

For he, whom you did merit to bear, Alleluia,
Has risen as he said, Alleluia.
Pray for us to God, Alleluia

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.
For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech you, 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



PARISH PRAYER - Father, pour out your Spirit upon our parish. Grant us a new vision of your glory, a new faithfulness to your Word, and a new consecration to your service; that your love might grow among us and your Kingdom come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Useful links: Diocesan Safeguarding - https://www.rcdea.org.uk/safeguarding/

Diocesan Website: <a href="http://www.rcdea.org.uk">http://www.rcdea.org.uk</a>

Notre Dame High School, Norwich: http://www.ndhs.org.uk

Daily liturgy website: www.universalis.com

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#### 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday Masses [Parish Mass Book p286]		Intentions
Saturday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00 pm	Josephine Goodwin
Sunday, 20 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	Holy Souls

**Music for Sunday Masses -** *Setting: New People's Mass (Dom Gregory Murray)* 

Entry: 6pm – Regina Coeli (said). Hymn 302 – Breathe on me, Breath of God ...

**Psalm Response:** (11am sung) – Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of

the earth.

**Offertory:** Hymn 303 – Come down, O love divine ... **Communion:** *Instrumental Interlude/Sacred silence ...* 

Recessional: 11am - Regina Coeli (said). Hymn 846 - Amazing Grace! ...

# Confession/Reconciliation: Saturday at 5.30pm - or by request/appointment

<b>Weekday Masses</b> [7 <sup>th</sup> week of the year - Psalter Wk. 3]		Intentions	
Mon.	10.00 am	Feria	Gaye Davidson
Tues.	No Mass today	Feria	-
Weds.	No Mass today	Feria	-
Thurs.	10.00 am	Feria	Betty Murphy (McCarthy)
Fri.	10.00 am	St Bede the Venerable	Kath Davis & Family (Fdn.)
Sat.	No morning Mass	St Philip Neri	
		Altar Servers' Mass at 12 noon at the Cathedral	
	6.00 pm	TRINITY SUNDAY	Michael Murphy

Fdn. = Foundation Mass

The Parish Newsletter (incl. back copies) is available to view on the parish website from Friday onward each week

**Anniversaries this week:** Margaret Shelock, William Reavey, Mary & Gerard Ring-Davies, Michael McErleane, Florence Sayer, Thomas Eden, John Joseph Nally and Annie Murtagh. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.* 

**Hospital Visits** – If you or family members are admitted to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital (NNUH) or Queen Elizabeth II Hospital (QEII), King's Lynn, and would like a visit from the Roman Catholic Chaplain, please call either St John's Cathedral, Norwich (01603 624615) for visits to NNUH, or Fr Peter Rollings (01553 772220) for visits to QEII. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick before going to hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan on 01362 694066.

**Sick List - Please pray for:** David Peek, Robert Nicol, Shirley Liebenhals, Sarah Chaudri, Anne & Derek Williams, Rita Smith, Eileen Brockleby, Kathleen (Jenny) Rudd, Ellen Flood, Margaret Leggett, Robert Anderson, Carole Whitesides, Janet Yardley, Mary Cawley, Ken Summerford, Anna Thompkins, Andre Kanssen and Francis Buxton.

Money Matters – The collection last weekend for the maintenance of our parish amounted to £433.60 and Standing Orders/Direct Debits received during April amounted to £497.00. The retiring collection last weekend for the Catholic Communications Network came to £107.11. Additionally, £3.47 in donations to the Diocesan St. Edmund's Fund has been received. Thank you very much.

Diary Dates for the week 21 <sup>st</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> May			
Tues. 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	7.30pm	Queen of Peace Prayer Group, in Emmaus Room	
Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Saturday Club is on half-term holiday until 9 <sup>th</sup> June.		

**Ministry to Priests at Clare Priory** – I will be away overnight at Clare Priory this week and so there will not be a Mass on Wednesday morning.

**Altar Servers' Mass** – Please note the annual Mass at St John's Cathedral will take place on **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May at 12:00 noon**, followed by a BBQ in the grounds of Cathedral House. All our servers and their families are invited. Servers, please bring your cassock and cotta with you to the Mass.

**UCM Cake & Produce Stall** – An appeal to all UCM members and other generous souls, for cakes, jams and other produce to be sold on our stall next weekend, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May, after all Masses. The proceeds of this sale will go to charity. Mary Shutt will be in the church from 4.45pm on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May, to receive any donations, or you can just bring them before the Mass you attend. Many thanks in advance for your kind generosity.

**Easter Communion** - Next Sunday is Trinity Sunday and is the last day for Easter Communions.

### Forthcoming Youth Events -

- Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham, Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May See the poster at the back of church for details.
- Celebrate East Anglia, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> June at Bury St. Edmunds Faith-filled, fun weekend for all ages, combining contemporary Christian music, inspirational speakers, workshops, celebration of Mass, children's and youth ministry and much more. Come and celebrate your faith! See <a href="https://www.celebrateconference.org">www.celebrateconference.org</a> and click on 'East Anglia' for more information or see the poster at the back of church.
- ▶ Diocesan Summer Camp 2018 See the poster at the back of church for details. Application forms available. Email: diocesansummercamp@gmail.com

National Grandparents Pilgrimage, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018, led by Bishop Alan Hopes. See the poster at the back of church for more details.

Boarbank Hall Convent Guest House, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria LA11 7NH — Boarbank Hall Convent Guest House has been running a variety of retreats & courses for over ten years and welcomes individuals, families and parish groups, schools, student groups, religious societies etc. for courses, holidays and days of recollection. Visit the website <a href="www.boarbankhall.org.uk">www.boarbankhall.org.uk</a> for more information or see the leaflets and poster at the back of church.

Irish Referendum on the Eighth Amendment, 25 May 2018 - In their Spring Statement, the Irish Bishops wrote, "Article 40.3.3 is a declaration of equality and respect for human life. It represents, at the very foundations and substructure of our laws, a conviction that all human life is worth cherishing equally. To repeal this Article would leave unborn children at the mercy of whatever permissive abortion laws might be introduced in Ireland in the future. We invite people of faith to pray earnestly that Ireland will "choose life" and that the lives of all women and their unborn children will always be loved, valued, welcomed and respected in this country. "For more information visit http://www.chooselife2018.ie

**Bitesize** - 'We all have the extraordinary coded within us, waiting to be released.'

~ Jean Houston