

A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church



Sunday 23rd May 2021

Today we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. It was an outpouring so strong that it drove the apostles out from hiding into the streets to proclaim the good news of God's love. Their witness was so strong, that on that same day 3000 people were added to their number and the Church was born.

Through the prayer of the Church, the Holy Spirit comes to us today, and just as it marked a new chapter in the life of the apostles, so too those who dispose themselves to the power of the Spirit will be empowered to witness in their lives the wonderful deeds of the Lord. If we are ready for that today, then ask the Holy Spirit to come to you, but be warned, your life may never be the same again.

Opening Sentence

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

Greeting and Entrance

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

Alleluia Christ is risen
He is risen indeed Alleluia

Call to Confession

My brothers and sisters,
to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries,
let us first call to mind our sin.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring
us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we
worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of
God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive
our prayer.**

**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 Liturgy of the Word

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.**

First Reading (Sit)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2:1-11)

When Pentecost day came round, they 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 all 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.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (103)

R. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (12:3-7,12-13)

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John,(20:19-23)

Glory to you, Lord.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.’
After saying this he breathed on them and said:
‘Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.’

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon (Sit)

Creed (Stand)

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 men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He 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 world to come. Amen.

Intercessions (sit)

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Peace

Priest: Christ is our peace he has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross; we meet in his name and share his peace!
The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offertory Prayers

Priest: Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
People: **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer over the Gifts

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.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Lift up your hearts,
we lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Preface

Father, all powerful and ever living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.
Today you sent the Holy Spirit
on those marked out to be your children
by sharing the life of your only Son,
and so you brought the paschal mystery to its completion.

Today we celebrate the great beginning of your Church
when the Holy Spirit made known
to all peoples the one true God,
and created from the many languages of man
one voice to profess one faith.

The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world,
while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
Who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying.
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
In the same way after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying.
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of all,
rejoicing at his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate the memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Holy Mary mother of God, St
Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Communion

Our Father

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour gave 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.

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

Breaking of the bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one Body,
because we all share in one Bread.**

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World.
Happy 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

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit,
and they spoke of the great things God has done, alleluia.

If watching the Mass online, we would encourage you to join in with the liturgy. At the point at which the clergy who are present receive Holy Communion you may wish to make an act of spiritual communion by using the following prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my

death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. **Amen.**

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.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

This day the Father of light
has enlightened the minds of the disciples
by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
May he bless you
and give you the gifts of the Spirit for ever. **Amen.**

May that fire which hovered over the disciples
as tongues of flame
burn out all evil from your hearts
and make them glow with pure light. **Amen.**

God inspired speech in different tongues
to proclaim one faith.
May he strengthen your faith
and fulfil your hope to see him face to face. **Amen.**

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended, Go in peace Alleluia Alleluia
Thanks be to God! Alleluia Alleluia!!

Regina Coeli

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven! Alleluia.
He whom thou was 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 has risen indeed, Alleluia.

Let us pray: O God, who by the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has been pleased to fill the world with joy, grant, we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may receive the joys of eternal life, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

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Bounds Green food bank – wish list: -

Urgently needed food items include tinned fruit/meat/fish/ sauces.

tea bags, dried pasta/Rice uht milk, condensed milk.

breakfast cereal, jam, honey, sugar and cleaning products.

Thank you to all who have given so far, it is much appreciated. We are pleased to accept any donations and pass them on to the food bank.

Thank you for the support it really is appreciated especially as we are feeding over 250 families each week. Revised opening days
Tuesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm

We pray for all who are ill, that God may grant them health and peace:

Georgia Cordell, Naomi Brown, Francis Ng Yu Tin, Milan, Baby Naira, Mildred, Kathleen, Eric, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Jean Bjork, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Christopher Gibbons, Jazzmine Grimes, Androulla & Fannos Hadjiordani Ray and Pam Bennett , Emmanuel Kuye, Doreen Lelliot, Bob Wood, Krystyna Hammil, Cicely Blalock, Amy Harris, Jerry Moran, Daniel Sintin, Sally Sintin, Amie Samura, Victor Snaith; Marcus Cullen, Jennifer Douglas, Alexandra F Assis, Joshua Rattray, Victorine Clarke, Thomas Hewitt, Geri Thompson, Mary Thompson, Sarah Reggerie, Ian Lennon, Kathleen Wale, Serena Forni, Derek Ogden, Lawrence Barrett, Dominic Swift, Peter John Clements, Patience Mafunga, Jereline Simoms, Ayo Dumbuya, , Dorren Norine, Beverley Pownall, Shola Adebawale ,Una and Pat Murphy , Andrea Negri, Shane Claridge, Francis Burniston, James Ighodaro, Theresa Naish, Loiuse, Anastasia, Allen, Jean Bromley, Angela Whyte, Josephine Baker, Saman Joseph, Myrtle, Brenda la Rose, Joe Donkor, Dorothy, Brandon, Ronald, Edna Noel, Anita Atherley, Evelyn Baker, Vincent Booth, Rita Thompson, Mark, Ogbonna Quarcoopme-Harper

for those who have died recently

Malachi Watson; Toby Eddington

and for all whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

17 th May	William D England
18 th May	Ella Scoones
22 nd May	Eric Ofori-Kuragu

St Michael's Candle: Is burning in loving memory of
Tylemay Vythelingum

The Blessed Sacrament Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Liline Ng Yu Tin

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Guy Ng Yu Tin