

John 7: 37-39

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.' By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

Collect for the Day of Pentecost

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Happy JUNE Birthdays to:

David Allen; John Briers; Christine Duffin; Adam Edwards; June Edwards; June Hamilton; Karen Hancox; Edna Leighton; Penny Pallett; Janet Pegg; Shirley Phillips; Irene Prideaux; Howard Turner; Lee Watson; Jackie West; Robert West and anyone else in the church family who celebrates their birthday in the coming month.

Prayers for our Parish

For God's healing love:

Denise Crampsie & Julia
Irene Prideaux
Roy Edwards
Andy Burton
Vince Taylor
June Plumb
Jan Leivers
Barry Richardson
Edna Leighton
Sharon Neale
Nan Bellew
Anne Hammonds
John Hartshorne
Pauline Skelcher
Maureen Mason
Lara
Shirley Phillips

For those who mourn:

Irene Davis
Majorie Dobson
Daphne Crutchlow
Jenny Tedds
Dorothy Ford
Joyce Elliott
Margaret Wagstaff
John Simmons
John Rowlands
Shannon Beck
Keith Morris
Mary Jephcott
Anita Gordon
Anne Gay
Mary Richardson



HOLY SPIRIT

Prayers for the World

On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit was given to the first believers in a new way. The members of the Church were transformed by it and they communicated this to the world around them and the people understood in their own language. Pray that our Church will continue the work started by the first Christians.

As Christians we are called to love our neighbour and stand together with our brothers and sisters in need. Right now millions of people around the world are facing extreme challenges due to the coronavirus and climate change. Pray for God's intervention.

Pray for our politicians and scientists as they grapple with the coronavirus that they will make the right decisions for the benefit of the whole nation. Pray that the work towards developing a vaccine will be successful. Pray for the people struggling with the lockdown, especially those living alone that we and others may help them at this difficult time.

Pray for those who are ill at this time and for their relatives and friends who are unable to visit them to hold their hand.

Pray for those who have recently died and for those we recall and miss at this time. Pray for those who are bereaved.

St Giles Church – Together in Spirit at Pentecost

Sunday, May 31st 2020

Acts 2: 1 -21

The Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit

enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own

language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites;

residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, 'What does this mean?'

Some, however, made fun of them and said, 'They have had too much wine.'

Peter addresses the crowd

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

“In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the

Lord.

And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Spirit Vision 2020 – Pentecost Praise

On Sunday 31st May at 6 pm, tune in to 2020 Spirit-vision, a Pentecost praise service. The service will include features on Open Heaven and how to cope with the lock-down. Join hundreds of believers from churches across Coventry and Warwickshire to praise God and give thanks during this uncertain time. The service will include a sermon by Bishop Christopher and a time of ministry led by Bishop John.

You will be able to find the service from 5.45pm, allowing time to be ready for the start at 6pm on Coventry Cathedral's Facebook page and on the diocesan YouTube Channel. For more details and easy links to the service click on the link below:

<https://www.coventry.anglican.org/church-online/2020-spiritvision/>