

24 May 2026—PENTECOST (*Whitsunday*)

Welcome to our services today

* Trinity Fair and Open Day * **This Saturday!** *

Our Fair and Open Day is **this coming Saturday (30th) from 11 am to 3 pm**, with stalls from the church as previously advertised plus other local organisations, together with a range of other attractions including Bouncy Castle, Ice Cream van, Sandhurst Silver Band ... Please make sure it is publicised as widely as possible – and of course be sure to come along yourselves!

Harry Neale

Harry's funeral will be in Holy Trinity this Tuesday (26th) at 12:30 pm, followed by the Committal at Easthampstead Park Crematorium at 2 pm. Please continue to pray for his soul, and for the family.

Wednesday Mass

The usual Mass on Wednesday is cancelled this week.

Darren Neve

Most of us will remember Darren, a congregation member and one of our organist team prior to Covid. Following a battle with cancer, Darren died last Sunday. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Gift Aid Declarations

We are updating our Gift Aid records to make sure our paperwork is complete. Pre-completed Gift Aid declaration forms have been prepared and are at the back of the church. Please sign and return your form, even if you think you have signed one before, so that we can continue to claim Gift Aid properly. Completed forms should be returned to Jan Reed, Stella Nettleton, or any sidesperson.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The sick and infirm: June Anderton, Janet Dadson, John Darcy, Peter Gardner, Ian McRea, Janet Murton, Dave Powers, Mike Reed, Pat Rorison, Lauren Scammell, Shirley Whiteley, Dennis, Jack & Rosemary, Jill, John, Kirk & Karen, Mark, Pete

The recently departed & their family: Darren Neve

Anniversary of death: Edith Black, Jim Connal, Doreen Hartfield, Maud Lusted, William Spence

THIS WEEK

- All events at Holy Trinity—*unless shown otherwise* •
Weekday Readings: Week 8 in Ordinary Time, Year II

Tuesday *St Philip Neri, Priest*
12.30 pm: Funeral of Harry Neale

N.B. No Wednesday Mass

Thursday *Christ the Eternal High Priest*
11.00 am: Bible Study group

Friday
11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R: *The Lord comes to rule the earth.*
2 – 4 pm: Tea at Two—*All Saints Hall*

Saturday
11 am–3 pm: **Trinity Fair and Open Day**

Next Sunday—TRINITY SUNDAY
9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*
11.00 am: Sung Mass

Annual Meetings: Election and Ballot results

At last Sunday's meetings, the following were elected:

Churchwardens: Diane Brown, Phil Popay

Deanery Synod: Rita Davies

PCC: Derek Bangs, Keith Blanchard, Allen Brown, Susan Brown, Carol Carter, Mike Gunston, Jim Rapley, Lorna Wilkinson

Many thanks to all who have been willing to serve in any capacity, and to those leaving office for their past support and work on our behalf.

In our Parish Charitable Giving ballot, the charities chosen for us to support in 2026 were: The Children's Society, Naomi House, Anglo-Catholic Ordination Candidates Fund, Camberley Night Café, Wheels for the World, College of St Barnabas. These are in addition to the four to which we standardly give every year: Additional Curates Society, Forward in Faith, St Francis Outreach and The Triangle Bookshop.

'Tea at Two'

We meet every Friday from 2 – 4 pm in All Saints Hall. Come and join us for great cake, tea/coffee and conversation. We look forward to seeing you!

Weekly news sheet

Please send any items for inclusion on the sheet to Fr William by the end of Wednesday each week.

Acts 2: 1 – 11

At Pentecost we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to empower the Church in ways not previously available. Often, we do not consider the immensity of the power God has provided for the task: our lives can betray spiritual slackness, and we can underestimate the reality of the Third Person of the Trinity living and working in us. The context for this event is important: Luke makes clear that Jesus's public ministry begins with his announcement of the Spirit's empowerment (4: 18 – 19, quoting the prophet Isaiah), so the Church's service begins with the announcement of her Spirit empowerment in Acts 2: 17 – 21 (quoting the prophet Joel). St Luke's Gospel moves from the Jerusalem Temple, to Galilee, and back to Jerusalem, but Acts will move from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. The promise of the Holy Spirit is not only about recreating us spiritually, it is about inspiring believers to speak of God, of his hope and salvation, as St Peter demonstrates later in Acts 2. The power of the Holy Spirit is seen visibly, in wind, fire and speaking in tongues. Each of these has meaning and significance: wind is about the lifegiving power as seen in Ezekiel the prophet whereas the fire recalls the judgement of God and his burning presence on Sinai. Speaking in tongues empowers the Church to proclaim salvation to all nations: every culture, tongue, and nation is to hear the Good News of Christ.

Because of Pentecost, God will accomplish his purposes through the Church, not because we are powerful in ourselves, but because he will show his power through us.

Sunday 24th May 2026

Pentecost

Gospel: John 20: 19 – 23



It is at Pentecost that the Church receives in immeasurable abundance the fuel she needs to undertake her work, and to perfect her life. The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Holy Trinity. He is, as the Creed teaches us, 'the Lord' (i.e. God) and 'the giver of Life'. He is the love that spirits forth from the Father who eternally beholds the Son in love, and from the Son who eternally beholds the Father in love. The life-giving, life-changing heat and fire of the Holy Spirit is given to the Church at Pentecost so that we might participate fully in God's Trinitarian life, in God's inner life of love. That is why such dynamic power is given on the Day of Pentecost to the Apostles gathered around the Mother of God. They receive the spiritual energy and outward orientation the Church needs if the Saviour's urgent command to continue his reconciling work is to be fulfilled. They are given the power to proclaim a new life for all in Christ.