

"The Counselor,
the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send
in my name,
will teach you
all things
and will
REMINDE YOU
of everything
I have said to you."

John 14:26

Connect

Your Weekly News from St Leonard's & St Mary's
Sunday 22nd May 2022 Easter Week 6



Easter Week 6 — Holy Spirit

I know its not yet Pentecost but this week we begin to hear and receive our Lord's promise that he will not leave us drifting aimlessly but will send the Holy Spirit to come and be alongside us as we walk in faith and seek God's ways.

What is the Holy Spirit? Firstly the Holy Spirit is not a what as if we were describing an item, but is the third person of the triune God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all equal and all one in the same. Just as the Father is a person and the Son is a person so too is the Holy Spirit. We can have a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit who is gifted to us. Yes it can be confusing at times, however a better question to ask might be what has the Holy Spirit come to do for us? In John 14:26 we are given a glimpse of just some of what the Holy Spirit's work is about.

We read in John 14:26

“the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”

We can deduce from this that one of the roles of the Spirit is to be a teacher and a reminder of Jesus words. Students of Jesus need to be learning. To be a disciple of Jesus is about our growth and transformation to be more like the people that Jesus calls us to be. Nevertheless we also need to be proactive in our learning and development and put what we have learned into practice. We are to work in partnership with the Holy Spirit, who will lead and guide us as we pray and read God's word and seek to know more about our faith and put it into action. We don't do it alone, we have not been left adrift or like orphans but have the presence of God with us.

There is so much more to learn but let us begin by praying “Come Holy Spirit, come and rekindle in us the fire of your love. Come and deepen our desire to know the Lord, to worship Him and make Him known. Amen.”

Welcome

Grace and peace to you
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

God, may the nations praise you.
May all the people on earth praise you.
May the nations be glad and sing for joy.

You rule the people of the earth fairly.
You guide the nations of the earth.
O God, may the nations praise you.
May all the people on earth praise you.

(from Psalm 67)

Hymns

AS WE ARE GATHERED Jesus is here;
One with each other, Jesus is here.
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,
Part of the body, the church of God.
As we are gathered Jesus is here,
One with each other, Jesus is here.

FATHER GOD, I WONDER how I managed to exist
Without the knowledge of Your parenthood and Your loving care.
But now I am Your son, I am adopted in Your family,
And I can never be alone,
'Cause Father God, You're there beside me.

I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises, Forever more.

I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
Forever more.

Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are his children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because he loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.**

We are truly sorry.

**Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect

**Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
blessings beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love towards you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Hymn

TO BE IN YOUR PRESENCE,

To sit at Your feet,
Where Your love surrounds me,
And makes me complete.

This is my desire, O Lord,
This is my desire.
This is my desire, O Lord,
This is my desire.

To rest in Your presence,
Not rushing away;
To cherish each moment,
Here I would stay.

Gospel

John 14.23-29

When it is announced: **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

Jesus replied, 'Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

'All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

'You heard me say, "I am going away and I am coming back to you." If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

At end:

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Intercessions *Prayer is offered*

Peace

We meet in Christ's name.
Let us share his peace.

Hymn **LET YOUR LIVING WATER FLOW over my soul.**

Let Your Holy Spirit come and take control
Of every situation that has troubled my mind.
All my cares and burdens on to You I roll.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.
Father, Father, Father.
Spirit, Spirit, Spirit.

Come now, Holy Spirit, and take control.
Hold me in Your loving arms and make me whole.
Wipe away all doubt and fear and take my pride,
Draw me to Your love and keep me by Your side.

Give your life to Jesus, let Him fill your soul.
Let Him take you in His arms and make you whole.
As you give your life to Him He'll set you free.
You will live and reign with Him eternally.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Offering

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.
**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own we give you.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.
Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.
You are unceasingly at work from chaos bringing order
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope,
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power
to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose,
freed by him who burst from the tomb
and opened the gate of life,
we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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.**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.
In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.
From the Garden the mystery dawned
that he whom they had loved and lost
is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known
in the breaking of the bread,
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,
welcoming weary fishers on the shore,
he renewed the promise of his presence,
and of new birth in the Spirit
who sets the seal of freedom
on your sons and daughters.

Before he was given up
to suffering and death,
recalling the night of Israel's release,
the night in which slaves walked free,
at supper with his disciples
he gave thanks for the bread
then he broke the bread,
and gave it to them, saying:
'Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks,
and gave it to them saying:
'Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you,
and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him,
we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised
into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say:

**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.**

Distribution of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Come for all are welcome

Songs during Communion

Holy Spirit, living breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord,
Come renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see,
Give me passion for Your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,
May Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin,
In each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth,
Cause Your church to hunger for your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.
And his mercy endures for ever.

Prayer after Communion

**Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death.
May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to
do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.**

Blessing

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Hymn

ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER,

All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

I surrender all, I surrender all.

All to Thee, my blessed Saviour, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Saviour, wholly Thine;
Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

***We warmly invite you to stay for a time
of fellowship and refreshments***

Word Search

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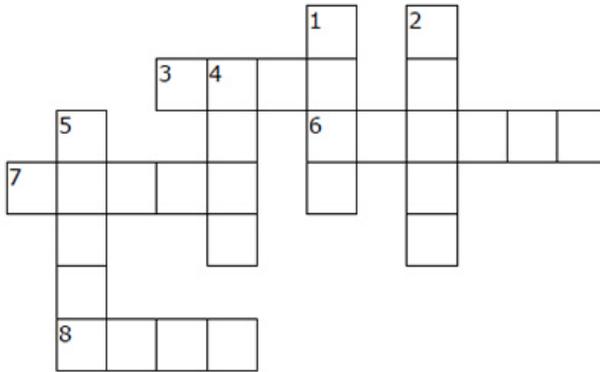
HOME
OBEY
PEACE

GLAD
HOLY
COME



John 14:27

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. To have a deep feeling of affection toward a person
6. Have a feeling of fear
7. A time when people live and work together happily without violence
8. A place where someone lives; a residence.

DOWN

1. To receive a sound using your ears
2. Parts of a language which can be spoken or written
4. To carry out or fulfill a command, order, or instructions
5. To give instruction to others



Serving one another

Our Jubilee weekend events are being planned to be a wonderful time of celebration with a Flower Festival running from Fri to Sunday. Then on Sunday we invite you to be part of our Afternoon Garden Party.

However, **we need your help** as it is an all hands to the pump affair. Could you help staff the church for an hour or two over the Weekend at the Flower Festival or help set up the Garden Party or even offer to bring some food and help with the refreshments? See Sandiann or Alison if you can help,

thank you



The Storehouse

Philip Meldrum writes

Hi everyone,

+ Thank you so much for your ongoing support to storehouse. Your generosity is such a great help to the neediest people in the community. At present, here are the items that we are currently most in need of ...

- 1) UHT milk (blue lid).
- 2) Bags/boxes of sugar.
- 3) Pot noodles.
- 4) Multipacks of crisps.
- 5) Boxes of coco pops.
- 6) Cans of macaroni cheese.

Once again, many thanks. Philip



May's Messy Church



Saturday 28th May 2-4pm

at St Mary's

Come and try your hand at fishing or even flying a plane



Fill in your Questionnaire

by Sunday 29th May

As part of our visioning process we are looking for your feedback about your church. Looking at what we currently do and any ideas you may have for the future as we look to become a centre of hope in serving the community. Hardcopies can be picked up at the welcome desk or feel free to submit an email response through by writing to vickiaclark@yahoo.co.uk

Thank You



Knitting Group

Join us as we knit and socialise with the residents of Newbyres Nursing Home on

Thursday 26th May at 10am

Open to all - even non-knitters



With thanks and appreciation.

To all who have been involved in cheering up the paintwork at St Leonard's Community Hall. Thank You and Well Done.



Platinum Jubilee Celebration June 3-5th , 2022



Join in with the celebrations

Flower Festival of Thanksgiving

Friday 3rd — Sunday 5th June

St Leonard's Church 10am — 4pm

Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea

St Mary's Saturday 4th June 2.30pm to 4pm

Platinum Jubilee Garden Party

Sunday 5th June, 1pm at St Leonard's

These events are Free and open to everyone

St Mary's Sunday at 9.30am

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St Leonard's Sunday at 11.15am

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Please note that Monday is our Rector's day off