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## Gospel Acclamation

### Alleluia, alleluia!

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

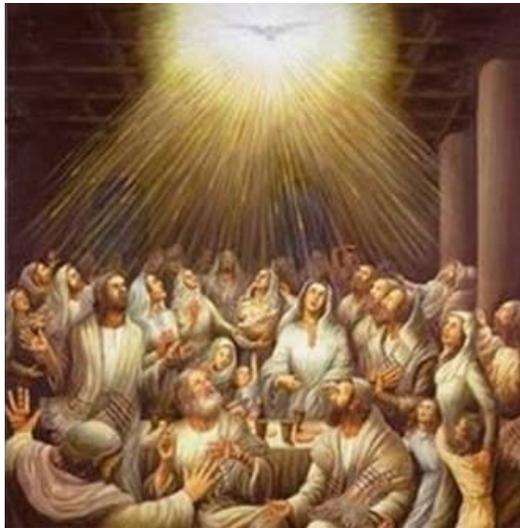
**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

John 20: 19-23

*Theme: As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.*

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.'

# Welcome to All Saints' Parish Church

31st May 2020



## Today we pray for:

**those with birthdays:** Sandra Gait & Oliver Barber (13)

**the sick:** Claire Wood, Sandra Gait & Louise Pike

**the anniversaries of death of:** Stanley Ransom,  
Bessie Nevada Dobbs, Geoffrey Hart Woodcock,  
Jim Pollard, Brenda Mitcham, Eric Rhodes  
& Douglas Martin



## Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## 1st Reading

Acts 1: 12-14

*Theme: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.*

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles 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.

## Responsorial Psalm

℟ **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. ℟

You take back your spirit, they die,  
returning to the earth from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit, they are created;  
and you renew the face of the earth. ℟

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!  
May the Lord rejoice in all his works!  
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I find my joy in the Lord. ℟

*Psalm from The Psalms: a New Translation, published by HarperCollins Publishers Ltd © 1963 by the Grail (England)*

## 2nd Reading

1 Corinthians 12: 3-7. 12-13

*Theme: In the one Spirit we were all baptised.*

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.

