

# News Sheet for Sunday 28 May Pentecost

## **WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!**

Dear Friends,

Today is the feast of Pentecost when the Church celebrates the sending of the Holy Spirit as God's gift of himself to the church. The Spirit guides and empowers us in all we do in the service of Christ. The Spirit teaches us, guides us, empowers us, defends us, corrects us, heals us, and emboldens us. There is nothing we can do or achieve effectively without the Spirit, but with Spirit we can do anything! Today we celebrate Pentecost together at 10 am at P&J. At this service we will be offering the chance to receive communion wine from the chalice for the first time since lockdown. This will be an option, for those feel comfortable with it – intincted wafers will be available as usual for those who are not ready for this yet. Please note that dipping a wafer in the chalice will not be permitted! Please pray for those from our congregations who are on Pilgrimage to the Iona community today. Please pray also for the future of our Parish office. We said goodbye to Chantelle Gardner this week after 12 years of extraordinary service to the parish. Chantelle has been a key member of our team through all the challenges and changes of the past decade and has been a dear friend to us all. She has now moved on to a new job and we wish her every blessing, but we will miss her terribly. We are in the process of appointing a new administrator, and we are grateful to Shauna who will be serving in the office for the next few weeks. Please be patient however if we find we are unable for the time being to deliver our usual service from the parish office. May God bless you, Mark

#### THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm

Sunday 28 May - 10.00am Parish Eucharist, Ss Philip & James Church

Tuesday 30 May - 11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church

Wednesday 31 May - 9.30am Holy Communion, Ss Philip & James Church

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

Thursday 1 June – 7.30pm All Saints Ladies Group Ss Philip & Ss James Church

Saturday 3 June – 7.00pm Calling Your Bluff Ss Philip & Ss James Church

Sunday 4 June - 8.00am Holy Communion Ss Philip & Ss James Church

10.00am Parish Eucharist, All Saints Church

10.00am Morning Worship Ss Philip & Ss James

Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer Wednesdays 11.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.

# **READINGS FOR SUNDAY 28 MAY**

Acts 2.1-21

John 20.19-23

#### **PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 28 MAY**

**TODAY'S COLLECT** 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.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK . . .

**Those in urgent need of our prayers including**: Alona Beauchamp, Jean Belgrove, Xander Coleman-Day Ann Mann, Carol Paton, Peter Rogers, John Simson, Tyler Thompson, Lucy Tyler, Phillip, Garth and Judy Kellett, Peter, Louise, Chris and Diana, Jack and Joel,

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers: Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Melanie Brant, Alan Brown, Marion Brown, Yvonne Dunk, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Tony Holbeche, Giorgia Laughton, Bonnie Lewis, Barbara Main, Sheila O'Connor, Gill Page, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Molly Wilson, Clare and family.

Those who have died recently: Jean Hutchings, Looba Durrant, David George Price.

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: Agnes Ambrick, Sandra Harris, Grace Gidney, Ronald Westlake, Dorothy Beale, Mavis Stevens, Harold Waller, Kay Thake, Marjorie Peasley, Leslie Boothroyd, Doris Grainger, Joyce Woodward

#### PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 29 MAY

**Meditation**: Meditation: 'Jesus did not say, 'You will never have a rough passage, you will never be overstrained, you will never feel uncomfortable', but he did say, 'You will never be overcome.' – Julian of Norwich.

We give thanks for musicians, artists and writers who enrich our lives with their work.

# Please pray....

**Mon** – For families in conflict or difficulty of any kind.

**Tues** - For the people of Zimbabwe

**Wed** - For young people on half term holiday.

**Thurs** - For those who are in pain.

**Fri** – For the Holy Spirit to raise up from among us people to serve him in the ministries of leadership, administration and pastoral care.

**Sat** – For those in our community who encourage and train others in sport and physical activity. That we may all honour God with open bodies, open minds and open hearts.

**Sun** (Trinity Sunday) That the whole creation might worship God in awe and wonder

**ALL WEEK** – For those who live in Magnolia Way, Maples Drive, Marlborough Close, Marrow Meade, Marwell Rd, Mattingley Drive.

## **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new or updated this week.

**PARISH ADMINISTRATOR VACANCY** - We are seeking to appoint an experienced administrator with appropriate skills to oversee and execute the administrative work of the parish. The successful applicant will be sympathetic to the ethos of an Anglican parish church, effective in dealing with the public, efficient in running an office and in administering inward and outward communications. The post is based at our well-equipped parish office next to All Saints Church, close to the centre of town. The post is for 25 hours per week (9.30am-2.30pm) Monday to Friday. (This post might suit an established job share). Salary negotiable depending on experience. Closing date for applications: 1 June. For job description and further details please contact: <a href="mailto:office@parishoffleet.org.uk">office@parishoffleet.org.uk</a>, 01252 812114.

<u>PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS</u> - The Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday until further notice.

**COFFEE BAR OPENING** - Our Parish Coffee Bar is now open again on Saturday mornings, 10.00am-12.00pm.

**CONCERT** - Wednesday 21 June, 8.00pm, Ss Philip & James Church. Fleet Orchestra with Yateley Choral Society, Midsummer Melodies, **f**eaturing: Bach, Strauss, Lloyd Webber, Mussorgsky. Free entry, retiring collection for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice, see <a href="https://www.fleetorchestra.co.uk">www.fleetorchestra.co.uk</a> for more information.

**PARISH MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTION** - Could you deliver Parish Magazines to Knoll Close, Knoll Road, Fleet Road and Pegasus Court on a monthly basis? There are less than 10 magazines in the round so it doesn't take very long. Please contact the Parish Office or Heather Turner, highturner@ntlworld.com, for details.

CALLING YOUR BLUFF - Four brave panellists\* are putting their brains to the test in front of a very discerning audience, US! Make up a team or come on your own and join us for a fun evening of CALLING YOUR BLUFF. Saturday 3 June, 7.00pm at St. Philip & St. James. Ploughman's Supper, £7.00 per head. Bring your own drink. \*Panellists for the evening are Antony Jones, Kerensa Pearson, Anne Biffin and Richard Wigram. Please book online if you can, by scanning the QR code or going to <a href="https://parishoffleet.churchsuite.com/events/uzhw1nqe">https://parishoffleet.churchsuite.com/events/uzhw1nqe</a>). Enquiries to Karen Kite, 613251, kbudge42kite@aol.com.

**ALL SAINTS SCHOOL** - All Saints School is seeking to recruit more governors. To find out more about this very rewarding role contact Tracey Brunton (Head Teacher), <u>t.brunton@allsaints-fleet.hants.sch.uk</u> or Richard Buller (Chair of Governors), <u>richard.buller@btinternet.com</u>.

**STEP BY STEP** - Did you know that there is a donations box for Step by Step in the narthex, next to the Food Bank box at Ss Philip & James Church? They would appreciate donations of the following items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gel/cream, soap, shampoo/conditioner. They are unable to accept bath products as the centre only has showers. Thank you.

**CHARITY QUIZ** - Saturday 3 June, 7.00pm (for 7.15pm) start, Fleet Methodist Church. Teams of up to 6 people, entry fee £5 per person.. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. Hot drinks will be served later in the evening. If you would like to enter as a team or individual, please email briansexton@virginmedia.com.

**HART FOODBANK** - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for tinned fish, biscuits, tinned meat, packets of rice, tinned vegetables, tinned spaghetti, jams, mashed potato packets, juice and cordials and coffee. Items can be left in the Foodbank containers in the narthex at Ss Philip & James Church and in FPCC.



**MOTHERS UNION** – Christian Care for Families. Can we help you? What is your biggest personal challenge right now? How might we be able to help? Scan the QR code to let us know!



<u>CHURCHES COUNT ON NATURE 2023</u> - Please join us on Sunday 11 June at 11:15 – 1pm after the 10:00 am service at All Saints to take part in this count to record plants and animals in our churchyard. Don't worry if you don't know a daisy from a dandelion as we'll have plenty of books available to refer to. This is part of our commitment to Eco-church. Find out more from Linda or Sarah 07557 665478 mothmad@outlook.com

**GIVING OPTION** - You can now donate to parish funds by scanning this QR code with any smart phone with a QR reader on it - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make a donation.

# **PARISH CONTACTS**

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