



**Welcome to St Margaret's Church Ifield**  
***Loved as you are***



**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021**  
**Pentecost**

*All are welcome to St Margaret's and we encourage all to take part fully in this service. If you have **mobility issues** that make it difficult for you to come and receive communion, should you want to, then do please notify our sides-people, and we will come to you.*

***Due to the Coronavirus please make your responses in a quiet voice in order to minimise the risk of infection***

**THE GATHERING**

**As we gather together:**

Veni Creator Spiritus. No 8 from Sixteen Chorales

Come, Creator Spirit

*Marcel Dupré 1886-1971*

*We stand at the entrance of the clergy*

Plein Jeux. Premier Couplet du Kyrie No1 from Messe Pour les Couvents

Full Chorus

First Kyrie

*François Couperin 1668-1733*

**THE GREETING**

Celebrant In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen**

Celebrant Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the  
Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All And also with you.**

*'Accept one another, for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.' (Romans 15:7)*

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### RESPONSORY

Celebrant On this feast day of Pentecost – the birthday of the Church – we, like those first disciples, await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, God’s gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

As we wait, so we ask Jesus Christ, our risen and ascended Lord

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we listen to your word

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we worship you in majesty

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we long for your refreshing

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we long for your renewing

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we long for your equipping

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

Celebrant As we long for your empowering

**All Fill us with your Spirit**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Celebrant The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**All            Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call.  
Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew  
that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us  
from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord enrich you with his grace, and nourish *you* with his blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

**All            Amen.**

## THE GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the  
world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy  
Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

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## THE COLLECT

Celebrant: 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 judgment 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. **Amen.**

*Please sit for the readings.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

*Acts 2: 1- 21*

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading

*Romans 8:22-27*

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God**

*Please stand for the Gospel:*

### ***The Gospel Reading***

*John 15:26-27; 16.4b-15*

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*‘Accept one another, for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.’ (Romans 15:7)*

*At the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All       Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please remain standing until the preacher has introduced the Sermon:*

## **THE SERMON**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us declare our faith in God.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father who made all things?

**All   We believe and trust in Him.**

Do you believe and trust in His Son, Jesus Christ who redeemed the world?

**All   We believe and trust in Him.**

Do you believe and trust in His Holy Spirit who gives life to the people of God?

**All   We believe and trust in Him.**

This is the faith of the Church

**All   This is our faith, we believe and trust in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Celebrant: We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.

Generous God,

we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit.

We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better.

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Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit.  
We ask you to make us wise to understand your will.

Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit.  
We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us.

Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit.  
We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness  
where there is division, sickness and sorrow.

Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit.  
We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us.

Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit.  
We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.

Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit,  
given us by the risen Lord.  
We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed,  
in the joy of eternal life.

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Lord, come to bless us  
**and fill us with your Spirit.**

Generous God,  
you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan,  
and upon the disciples in the upper room:  
in your mercy fill us with your Spirit,  
**hear our prayer,**  
**and make us one in heart and mind**  
**to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **The Peace**

Celebrant God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts, Alleluia.

**All** The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
**and also with you.**

Celebrant Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace by looking at those around you and greeting them with a warm smile.

*As the Body of Christ receives its life from God, and offers its life to God, so we, as members of that Body, greet each other in love.*

## The Preparation of the Table

### The Taking of the Bread and Wine

**During the Preparation of the Table: Prelude**      *Gustav Merkel 1827-1885*

Celebrant      Heavenly Father accept these prayers, left this past week, on the fishing net. We pray that you will meet these people at their point of need.

**All                  Amen.**

Celebrant      Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. In your loving care you spread before us the table of life and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All                  Blessed be God forever**

*We sit or stand for:*

### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Celebrant      The Lord be with you  
**All                  and also with you.**

Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.  
**All                  We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All                  It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Celebrant      It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son, our Lord. This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit

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upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore, we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, forever praising you and saying:

**All            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.**

Celebrant    We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in

remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Praise to you Lord Jesus:

**All      Dying you destroyed our death,  
Rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus come in glory.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St Margaret and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All      Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

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## ***The Breaking of the Bread***

*The Priest breaks the consecrated bread*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**All                    Though we are many, we are one body,  
                         because we all share in one bread.**

## ***The Giving 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.

**All                    Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
                         but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Celebrant    Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All                    Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Come, not because you are strong, but because you are weak. Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you any right to come, but because you need mercy and help. Come, because you love the Lord a little, and would like to love him more.

Come, because he loves you and gave himself for you.

**All                    Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
                         have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
                         have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
                         grant us peace.**

*The priest receives the sacrament in both kinds. **When the priest receives communion please join in with the responses below.***

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*This is a statement of identification with the communion you are about to receive.*

Celebrant The Body of Christ

**All                Amen**

Celebrant The Blood of Christ

**All                Amen**

*All who have been baptised are welcome to receive Communion. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople who will guide you in a clockwise direction to ensure social distancing is maintained as you receive your Communion.*

*The sacrament will be administered to the congregation in one kind only, that is the bread. Please remain silent as the priest places the wafer in your hand without speaking.*

**During the distribution of Communion:**

Veni Sancte Spiritus *Come, Holy Spirit*

Christopher Walker b. 1947

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Celebrant 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. **Amen**

**All                Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

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## THE PENTECOST COMMISSION

Celebrant For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

**All By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Celebrant Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

**All We will.**

Celebrant Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

**All We will.**

Celebrant Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

**All We will.**

Celebrant Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

**All We will.**

## NOTICES

## BANNS READING

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## THE BLESSING

Celebrant The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant We go into the world to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love, and to reflect God's glory.

Celebrant Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*The Clergy will recess to the postlude:*

Deo Gratias No XXI from Messe Pour les Couvents

Thanks be to God

*François Couperin 1668-1733*

*In 1689 Couperin became titular organist of Saing Gervais Saint Prottais, Paris following on from his father, and grandfather. He wrote much sacred music including a series of motets completed in 1702. This is from one of two organ masses composed during 1790.*

***Thank you for joining in our worship today.***

*A collection plate has been placed by the west door where you can leave your offering to support the work of St. Margaret's Church. You can also make a donation:*

- via the home page of our website [www.ifieldparish.org](http://www.ifieldparish.org) using the yellow 'DONATE NOW' button.
- by sending a cheque made payable to 'Ifield Parochial Church Council' to: Ifield Church Parish Office, 1 Lychgate, Ifield Street, Ifield, Crawley RH11 0NN.
- or by bank transfer to:  
Ifield Parochial Church Council.  
Sort Code: 40-52-40 Account Number: 00022470

Thank You

***Please maintain social distancing of 2 metres as you  
now leave the church by the west door at the back of the church and avoid congregating.***

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#### Notices

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**Service next Sunday:**  
*Trinity Sunday*

**Said Eucharistic Service (11.00 am)  
and on Facebook and the parish website [www.ifieldparish.org](http://www.ifieldparish.org)**

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