

ST MARY'S HOLY COMMUNION 23 May 2021

GREETING:

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

HYMN

O day of joy and wonder!

Christ's promise now fulfilled.
The coming of his Spirit
The Father's love has willed
Our Lord in human body,
To mortal eyes is lost,
Yet He returns for ever
At blessed Pentecost.

The world in sheer amazement
The truth must now declare,
That men who once were
cowards
Are brave beyond compare,
And tongues which could not
utter
Their faith in Jesus name,
Defy all persecution,
His glory to proclaim.

We too may know thy power,
Thy courage makes us strong,
Thy love, thy joy, thy patience,
Can all to us belong,
If thou wilt dwell within us,
A Comforter divine;

Come to our hearts we pray
thee,
And keep them ever thine.

INTRODUCTION and

CONFESSION: invitation

**Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your
sight. We are sorry and
repent.**

**Have mercy on us according
to your love.**

**Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within
us and restore us to the joy
of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

COLLECT: Day of Pentecost

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.

READING Acts 2 v 1-17

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues^[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?"

SONG:

Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,

GOSPEL: read by president:
John 15 v 1-8

¹⁵ "If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[c] in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

²² Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?"

²³ 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. ²⁴ 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.

²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

ADDRESS: Kevin Durban
Jackson

SONG:

Colours of day dawn into the mind,

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS:
Andy Harris

THE PEACE:

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.
The peace of the Lord be always with you:
And also with you.

HYMN

**Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
and kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.**

O let it freely burn, til earthly
passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat
consuming;
And let thy glorious light shine
ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while
my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward
vesture be,
and lowliness become mine
inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart, which
takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of
human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
till they become the place
where-in the Holy Spirit finds a
dwelling.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

The Lord is here:

his Spirit is with us

Lift up your hearts:

we lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the

Lord our God:

**it is right to give thanks
and praise.**

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 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,

for ever praising you and

saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of**

**your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,

and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,

took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming in glory,

we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,

we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**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 forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD:

We break this bread to share in
the body of Christ:

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

INVITATION to communion

POST-COMMUNION:

**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.**

BLESSING

FINAL HYMN:

Breathe on me, breath of
God, Fill me with life anew;
That I may love what Thou dost
love
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until my will is one with Thine
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly Thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect
life Of Thine eternity.

NOTICES

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace to love serve the
Lord

**In the name of Christ.
Amen.**

