

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. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 2.1-21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in their native language. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Responsorial Psalm 104:26-36. 27b

R: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live



SECOND READING Romans 8.22–27

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.
We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; 23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. 27 And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.
This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Gospel John 15.26–27, 16.4b–15

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

GLORY TO YOU O LORD

Jesus spoke to his disciples:
26 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. 27 You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. 4 I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: 9 about sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; 11 about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 12 I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU O CHRIST**

Closing prayers for Pentecost on the service booklet



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Welcome to church as we celebrate Pentecost today!

Worship in the Benefice today...

PENTECOST Sunday

0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS

1100 Felmersham Parish Communion

1500 Souldrop Parish Communion

1800 Benefice Evensong

(note this is a change to the last big sheet)

Monday-Commemoration-Helena, Protector of the Holy Places, 330

Tuesday—feria

Wednesday-Commemoration-Petroc, Abbot of Padstow, 6th century

0930 Sharnbrook **Holy Communion 4th Wed CW**-Lady Chapel

1930 Souldrop Nativity planning meeting

Thursday—Lesser Festival- John and Charles Wesley, 1791 & 88

0930 Felmersham **Holy Communion CW**

1600 Felmersham Funeral

Friday—Lesser Festival-The Venerable Bede, Monk at Jarrow, Historian, 735

Saturday—Lesser Festival-Augustine, first Archbp of Canterbury, 605

Next Sunday services—Trinity Sunday

0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP

0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion RnS

1100 Felmersham Choral Matins – LLW JaneT

1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Andrea

Benefice Ordination Gift for Andrea:

a collection is started to buy the traditional ordination gifts of an Ordination stole & Preaching Scarf, in your generosity give your donations to the Rector in cash, or cheques payable to "R. Preston" or Paypal to rjp@reubenjamespreston.co.uk or BACS 20-07-82 10181048 Ref 'Andrea'



Sign up to indicate if you are intending to go to the Ordination Service on 1 July

also

Sign up if you want a seat on The Villager bus to go.

Intercessions

The sick and in need: Keri, Maureen, Hazel, Peter, Matthew, Barbara, Sally, Pam, Marjorie, Doreen, Conrad & Cynthia **The Departed:** Bob Lisque, Hazel Worthington Dennehy, Christopher Haydon

Prayer requests for the week:

Pray for pupils sitting exams

Pray for those beginning married life together this year



Christian Meditation Group

meets on Mondays 2000 in SPR—all welcome!



HOLLYWOOD IN SHARNBROOK

Film showing of **Breakfast at Tiffany's**

Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard

Sharnbrook Village Hall

Saturday 16 June 2018

Doors open 7pm (film 7.30pm)

Refreshments available

Tickets £5 from Ian 781721

All proceeds to Friends of St Peter's Church



At 1:30 pm on Monday May 21st in St Peter's Room, we will meet in St. Peter's Room to plan Messy Church arrangements from September.

Everyone is welcome.

Charlotte and Kate, who will be running the Messy Church sessions from September, will tell us about their arrangements for Play, Song and Prayer, and we will then focus particularly on our contribution, - providing Lunchtime hospitality.

We are looking to build a team of around a dozen volunteers, working in pairs, on average just twice per term, on FRIDAY mornings.

If you can volunteer to join the team, please let Janet Norman know, and do also come to Monday's meeting if you can.

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Items for inclusion should be sent to

sharnbrookbenefice@gmail.com by 0900 on Wednesdays.

To make arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rector

Sponsorship: in prayer for a long and happy marriage for Prince Harry & Meghan

If you would like to sponsor this sheet please send you £5 donation to The Rectory along with details of the sponsorship (even if anonymous)