



Pentecost
Sunday 24th May 2026
Parish Eucharist
Mass of St Thomas - Thorne



Processional Hymn

please stand

**Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,
Till 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 he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

The Greeting

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Please sit.

Words of introduction may be said.

As we worship you in majesty, **Fill us with your Spirit.**
We long for our refreshing, **Fill us with your Spirit.**
We seek your renewing, **Fill us with your Spirit.**
We need your equipping, **Fill us with your Spirit.**
As we long for your empowering, **Fill us with your Spirit.**

Prayers of Penitence

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.

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

Absolution

The God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria *please stand*

Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

**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.
*Refrain***

**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.
*Refrain***

**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.
*Refrain***

The Collect

Let us pray.

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.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:1-21

At the end the reader may say

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

- 1. O thou who camest from above,
the pure celestial fire to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.**
- 2. There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer, and fervent praise.**
- 3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up thy gift in me.**
- 4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make my sacrifice complete.**

Gospel Reading John 20: 19-23

please stand

We all stand and turn to face the Deacon as they prepare to read the Gospel.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

A sentence from the scripture is sung and then we respond singing:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

please sit

The Creed *please stand*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession *please sit*

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

At the end:

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Peace *please stand*

The children return and gather at the Chancel steps.

God has made us one in Christ and has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

Alleluia, Alleluia, the peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The children invite us to share a sign of peace

‘Let us offer one another a sign of peace’.

Offertory Hymn

A collection plate will be passed around during this hymn. Alternatively, please use our contactless card reader in the entrance lobby, or the QR code



**Holy Spirit, living breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see,
Give me passion for your purity:
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.**

**Holy Spirit, come abide within,
May your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude:
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.**

**Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth,
Cause your church to hunger for your ways.
May the fragrance of our prayers arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.**

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed on it. The president takes the bread and wine and says:

Be present, be present Lord Jesus,
make yourself known in the breaking of the bread.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

The president praises God for his mighty acts:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the Last Supper, and we use this acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

The prayer continues and at the end we all say:

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

please sit

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

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.

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.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Communion

If you would like to receive Communion you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not normally have communion but you would like a blessing, please come to the altar holding this service book as a sign. A sidesperson will show you when to come up.

Anthem *please sit*

Come, Holy Ghost - Gibbons

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promise 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.

**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.**

Notices and Banns of Marriage

Words of Commission

As part of God's Church here in Streatham, let us live out the faith we proclaim.
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to trust God our Father and follow in the
way of Christ?

By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to open your hearts to God and to one another and grow together in
love?

We will.

Will you dare to pray until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

We will.

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

We will.

The Blessing

May the boldness of the Spirit transform you,
May the gentleness of the Spirit lead you,
May the gifts of the Spirit equip you to serve and worship the risen Christ
now and always;
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn *please stand*

**We have a gospel to proclaim,
Good news for men in all the earth,
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
We sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall,
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**Tell of his death at Calvary,
Hated by those he came to save,
In lonely suffering on the cross:
For all he loved, his life he gave.**

**Tell of that glorious Easter morn,
Empty the tomb, for he was free:
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share his victory.**

**Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
By all creation glorified:
He sends his Spirit on his Church,
To live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim;
We sing his glory, tell his worth.**

Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

Please join us after the service for refreshments!
Our service this evening is Informal Worship at 18.30