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Following the advice and guidance provided by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York services of public worship are suspended until further notice

SUNDAY 31 MAY (PENTECOST)



THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

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.



These are the readings appointed for today

THE FIRST READING 1 Corinthians 12: 3b to 13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 80 one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body Jews or Greeks, slaves or free and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

THE GOSPEL READING John 20: 19 to 23

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need: Geraldine Wright, Jean Hovey, Alison Stagg, Esther Lyons, Yvonne Powell For those living in Wray Common Road For Redhill Counselling Centre For anniversaries falling at this time: Antony Waterlow, Geoffrey Devereux, Frances Phillips, Nancy Webster

FOOD BANK

We have set up a collection point outside the Vicarage (every day from 8.30am to 9.00pm) for donations of:

Tinned veg, meat, fish, soup, baked beans; rice, pasta, pasta sauce, breakfast cereal; UHT Milk, Long-life fruit juice; biscuits, jam, tea, coffee, dried ready meals; toothpaste, shower gel, etc.

These will be given to St Matthew's Food Bank which is seeing increased demand at the moment. Thank you for your generosity.

THE HOLY LAND

Chris and I will be leading a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land **next year**. The dates are **5 to 14 January 2021.** The cost, which includes flights, coach travel, a local guide, entrance fees and all gratuities, and staying in comfortable 3^* and 4^* hotels on a **full-board** basis is £1,995 per person. Brochures and forms are available. If you have any questions, please ask.

Fr Martin

PARISH ELECTORAL ROLL

The Annual Meeting (APCM) has now been postponed until the autumn, so there is no imminent closure of the Electoral Roll. However, if you are not on the Roll, are 16 or over and either live the Parish or have habitually worshipped at St Mark's for six months, and would like to be included, please ask me for the simple application form and return it to me. I will be happy to answer any questions you may like to ask about the Roll. During the present emergency I am quite happy to receive forms at 46 Ridgeway Road, Redhill RH1 6PH as I can always process these at home.

> Terrence Hancock Acting Electoral Roll Officer 01737 761178

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The Churchwardens and I wish to hear from anyone who would like any help or a chat. Also, we want to hear from anyone who may be able to offer some help to those in our community who have been advised to self-isolate. Please contact the office 07979 788601 or email help@stmarksreigate.co.uk

If you would like copies of these or would like to be included in future email updates, please contact the Parish Office. Also please pass on this information to any others who may not have received this information.

WORSHIP

Although no Public Worship is being held at this time, every Sunday you will be able to participate in worshipping with me via our website. There are links on our website to other Church of England worship materials including the Daily Prayer App which I use every day. Perhaps you might like to use this with me every morning?

I will continue to pray for the parish every day and so I will be praying for all of you.

PARISH OFFICE

Alexia, our Parish Administrator, is working from home until further notice. She has the office computer and can complete all the administrative tasks needed. Alexia is also a vital part of the help we are giving to members of our community.

As she is working from home, the contact number has changed. Please call Alexia on **07979 788601** for anything connected with the office. The email address remains the same. Alternatively, Fr Martin can be contacted on 01737 241161.

PENTECOST MESSAGES

Bishop Christopher, Bishop Jonathan and the Archdeacon of Reigate, Ven Moira Astin, have all recorded messages for Pentecost. These can be found on our website where you can also access all our past services:

www.stmarksreigate.co.uk/video

GIFT DAY 2020

The appeal remains open if you haven't yet donated. To make a contribution, please contact our Treasurer, Brian Rowbotham on 01737 244860.

Please send any items for the News Sheet to Terrence Hancock № 01737 761178 or by email to t.f.hancock@btinternet.com_at the latest by **8.00am** on Thursday