

Do join us for refreshments after Mass today

Are you joining the global prayer movement, *Thy Kingdom Come* this week?
Christians around the world are encouraged to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know the love

and peace of Jesus & our Churches to grow.

Information at the back of Church (blue sheet)

or search - www.thykingdomcome.global

Today at St Paul's:
- 5pm Choral Evensong & Benediction

During the week:

Monday 13th May, 1-3pm St Anne's Crafty Souls Craft Group meets in the Hall.

Wednesday 15th

10.30 Said Mass followed by refreshments

Quiz Night - Friday 17th at 6.30pm Items for Raffle Prizes will be most welcome Posters & flyers are available to help publicise this event and encourage others to join us – please help!

Next Sunday – 19th May – Pentecost 9.30am Parish Mass To help you prepare for our worship why not look up the readings we will use: Acts 2:1-11 Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

Arts & Crafts Fair in the Hall Saturday 6th July- Sunday 7th July

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St Anne in the Grove, Southowram

Sunday 12 May 2024

Welcome to our Parish Mass on Ascension Sunday

A special welcome if you are visiting.

If you require Gluten-free altar bread - please have a word with one of the Welcomers at the door.

Hymns: 453; 744; 228; 456; 612

The Eucharist follows the Order on the coloured sheet and the Service runs largely unannounced

During the week please pray for:

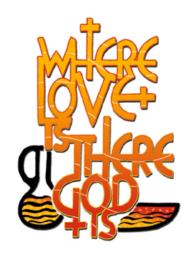
For the people of Church Lane, Clay Royd Lane and the people of King Cross

Monday – Give thanks for the Resurrection
Tuesday – Local shops & Trades
Wednesday – Peace in Ukraine & Middle East
Thurs. – our GPs & local health centres
Friday – Local food banks: staff & all who need them
Saturday – our Welcomers & Sidespeople

Those who are sick or in need:

David Harrison, Frances Norcliffe, Deborah Golding, John Greenwood, Pauline Ackroyd, Graham Firth, Rita Hansom, Tom Hogan, Bernadette Lister-Pollard, Hayley Hanson, Doreen and Stanley Sunderland, Pauline Merrifield, Paula Mead

Recently Departed: Margaret Raynor Anniversaries:



ASCENSION SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (Acts 1:1-11) A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. It is he had said what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.

Now having met together, they asked him, "Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He replied, "It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth."

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, "Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there."

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 46)

R: God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. *R*

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing raise to our king, sing praise. *R*:

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R**:

SECOND READING

(Eph 1: 17-23)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always, yes, to the end of time.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL (Luke 24:44-53)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

