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**PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:**

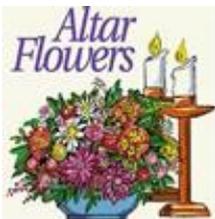
**We pray for;**

All young people preparing for exams.  
For the Confirmation Group.

**For the residents of;** Holmwood Drive,  
Holmwood Close and Harington Close

**For the sick;** Alastair, Anita, Betty, Ethel,  
Irene, Kate, Louise, Pat, Simon, Trevor and  
those in hospital and our parishioners who are  
housebound or living in Care Homes.

**For the recently departed;** Hollick Matthews,  
Mary Kent, Christine Calcutt, Bryan Andrews,  
and those whose anniversary of death falls at  
this time.



This Sunday's altar flowers have  
been sponsored by  
Eleanor & Heather Gibson  
in loving memory of Bob Gibson.  
Beloved husband and father.

**Parish of St Peter, Formby**

**Pentecost**

**28<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**Service for Today:**

**8.30am Eucharist (CW)**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist**

*This service will be live streamed*

**Prelude:** Bach *Komm, Gott, Schöpfer, heiliger Geist*

**Gathering**

**242** Come, Holy Spirit come!

**Gradual**

**236** Breathe on me, Breath of God

**Offertory**

**257** O Spirit of the living God

**Motets:** Attwood *Come, Holy Ghost*

**Post Communion:**

**261** Spirit of holiness, wisdom and faithfulness

**Organ:** Gigout *Toccata in B minor*

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**

*This service will be live streamed*

**Prelude:** Thiman *Sarabande*

**Introit:** Tallis *If ye love me*

**Hymns:**

**260** Spirit divine, attend our prayers

**246** Holy Spirit, come, confirm us

**250** Holy Spirit, truth divine

**Anthem:** Attwood *Come, Holy Ghost*

**Psalm 104: 24-35 page 260**

**Readings:** Joel 2:21-32 / Acts 10: 34-38

**Readers:** Sue Jacques and Ken Ward

**Voluntary:** Purcell *Rondo*

Please ask for a children's puzzle sheet or help yourself to children's books and toys.

**Please take this bulletin home for your diary and prayer**



## **The Collect**

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;**

### **Epistle Reading;**

**Acts 2: 1-21**

*Our reading today is read by;*

**Beverley Smith**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "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.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### **Gospel Reading;**

**John 20:19-23**

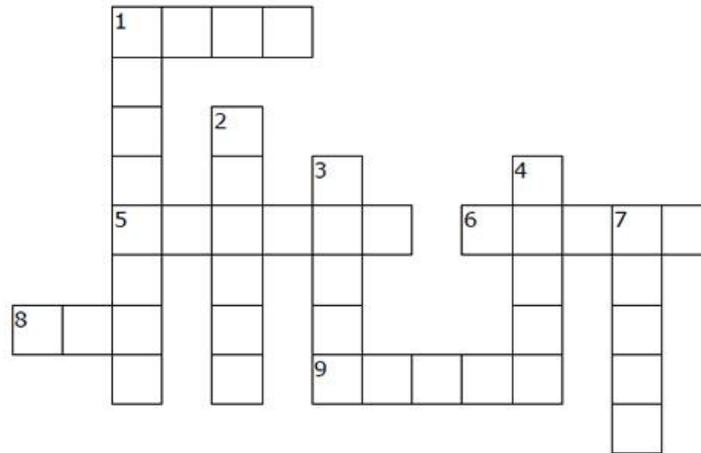
**Shena Edwards**

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.'

**Post Communion Prayer**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises 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. **Amen.**

**Crossword Puzzle**



**ACROSS**

- 1. An entrance into a building or room
- 5. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
- 6. To be in a state of pleasure or delight
- 8. Breaking a religious or moral law
- 9. The body parts at the end of the arms

**DOWN**

- 1. Unwilling to believe that something is true
- 2. Not open
- 3. To believe in something for which there is no proof
- 4. A pointed and headed fastener designed to be pounded into wood
- 7. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war

NAILS	PEACE	DOOR	DOUBTING	HAPPY
THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	HANDS	FAITH

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**Saturday Crew** would like to thank the members of the congregation for supporting the Pop up stall last Sunday. We raised £70.70; enough money to build and ship approx 20 shoeboxes. So far this year 150 shoeboxes have been dispatched with a further 50 almost ready to go! With your continued help and support we are optimistic that we will manage to exceed the challenge to improve on last year's total of 310 boxes. Grateful thanks, Anne Scarrott.

