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St Ann's
Church
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News from St Ann's Pentecost



Pentecost

This Sunday we mark Pentecost, the moment when the promises of Jesus were fulfilled with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the disciples - equipping them for the mission ahead. It is a great irony that we will not be able to gather together physically to celebrate - because the Bible tells us that is exactly what the disciples were doing when the Spirit came. However, God is not confined, and the Spirit is active across the Church today as he was all those years ago.

Maybe lockdown is an opportunity to think about what the Spirit is saying to the churches today.

'Zoom' worship

Our Sunday service is at the usual time of 10.45 am. Please download the Zoom app on your phone, laptop or desktop PC and follow this link: <https://zoom.us/j/94327818064>.

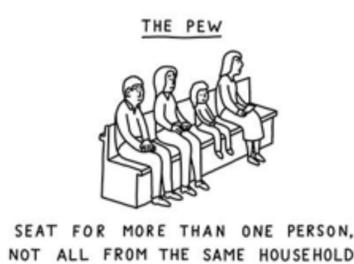
The meeting ID is 943 2781 8064.

You can also call in by 'phone. If you would like to do this please contact William Jeavons on manager@stannsmanchester.com for help to do that.

The Collect for Sunday:

*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 Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.*

REMINDERS OF FORGOTTEN CONCEPTS



Remember 'Going to Church'?

The decisions about re-opening churches, possibly from July, are being considered at a national level led by the Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally. Her official statement says "We are examining what steps we will need to take to do so safely and are actively planning ahead in preparation. We strongly support the Government's approach of continuing to suppress the transmission of the virus and accordingly, we recognise that at this time public worship cannot return in the interests of public health and safety." At St Ann's we will update everyone as soon as we know more.

Please pray

At Pentecost we pray for the movement of God's Holy Spirit upon the Church - so we ask for renewal, the grace to live Christ-centred lives, for wisdom in our thinking and all our work and activity: "Come, Holy Spirit."

Daily Prayer

Nigel and Sydwell are using Zoom to share Morning and Evening Prayer together. If you want to join in please email Sydwell on curate@stannsmanchester.com.

Keep in touch

You can contact Nigel on 0161 235 5206 or by email on rector@stannsmanchester.com. Sydwell is on 07404 265463 and at curate@stannsmanchester.com. The clergy would love you to give them a call. William is on manager@stannsmanchester.com.



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