



24 MAY 2026

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST
WHIT SUNDAY

PARISH MASS

GUEST PREACHER: CAROL MILLER (USPG)



Welcome to St Thomas the Apostle Church, Hanwell for our Parish Mass.

We hope you enjoy your time with us. Do join us for refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards.

The hymns are in the Green New English Hymnal Books.

The Mass Setting for this Service is the Mass of St. Thomas by David Thorne.

Please do take this Service Booklet away with you for your own prayers and reflections this coming week.

The Gathering

The Processional Hymn 347 Come gracious Spirit heavenly Dove.

The Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.

We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

As we wait in silence,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we listen to your word,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,

Fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,

Fill us with your Spirit.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Invitation to Confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

(cf S. John 3.16)

Let us therefore receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

The Kyrie Eleison

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

The Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis

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.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the Highest.

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.**

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

**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.**

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

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

The First Reading

(Read by Rowland Linder)

A reading from Acts of the Apostles.

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

Praise ' thou the ' Lord : O my ' soul ' praise the ' Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Psalm 104. 26-end (Benedic, anima mea)

The Second Reading

(Read by: Sue Cunningham)

A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and 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. To 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

(1 Corinthians 12:3-13)

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 431 O Thou who camest from above.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

'Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people : and kindle in them the fire of your love.'

Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠✠✠ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(John 20.19-23)

Praise to you O Christ

The Sermon or Homily

The Motet

'Come Holy Ghost'

Music: Eric H. Thiman (1900 -1975)

Words: ✠ Bishop Cosin - 'Veni Creator Spiritus'

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:

Thy blessèd unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace:
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but One;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song,

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

The Prayers of Intercession

(Led by: Alison Baxendale)

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

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

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

(cf. 2 Corinthians 1.22)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn 137 Come down O Love divine.

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry, who raises the poor, who fills our praise.

Amen.

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.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and singing:

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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ✠

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. ✠

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, Virgin Mother of God, St Thomas the Apostle and our Patron, and all the Saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen. ✠

The Lord's Prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The 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.**

The Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

The Prayer of Humble Access

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.**

The Invitation to 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.**

**✠ Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Holy Communion is offered in both kinds, but you are free to receive in one kind only. If you wish to receive in both kinds, please do not dip (intinct) the Eucharistic wafers into the wine. If you are baptised and receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive communion here. You are welcome to receive a blessing instead of communion. If you wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Communion Hymn 138 Come Holy Ghost.

Prayers after Communion

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.

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.

Parish Notices & Junior Church

Final Hymn 140 Holy Spirit, come, confirm us.

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives.

Amen.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

Amen.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power; go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Parish Prayers of Intercession

The Church: We pray for the Church throughout the world, for

✠ Bishop George Dawson-Ahmoah (Nkoranza); Pfr. Jens Oehme (Lütherkirche, Chemnitz); and Revd Canon Clement Francis (Christ the King, Carriacou).

We pray for the Church of England: ✠ Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury;

✠ Emma, Acting Bishop of London; ✠ Lusa, Bishop of Willesden; Catherine, Archdeacon of Northolt; and St Paul's Cathedral.

Parish and Community: We give thanks for this church of St Thomas the Apostle: for Julia our Priest, our Churchwardens and PCC, and all who serve. For Rowland, Pastoral Assistant and Youth Intern and Nilesh Patel, preparing for ordination. We pray for Hanwell, for our schools, and all who live and work here.

The World: We pray for the world, especially Gaza and Palestine, the Middle East, Lebanon, Yemen, Iran, Iraq, India and Pakistan, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, the D.R. of Congo, and Ukraine. Grant justice to those in authority, and peace to all peoples.

The Sick: We pray for the sick, the housebound, all who are in hospital or in care, and all who are in need of healing, especially: John Ball, Paul Ball, Caroline Baxter, The Brooks Family, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Jenny Cornwell, Patrick Dennerly, Leo and Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Andrew Everard, Geraldine, Celia Griffith, Tim Hall, Darren Hancock, Valery Hobbs Alison Johns, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Nick Lunn, Jane Marland, Arda & Joe Metcalf, Dermot Molloy, Stuart Minty, Cynthia Noel, Nicholas Robinson, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Gill Shaw, Keith & Sara Spillet, Colin Spooner and Kris Wilson.

Marriage and Confirmation: We pray for Geraint Jones and Gabrielle Brockis, married here, yesterday and for Benedict and Tobias Howson, Leo Hewlett, and Oliver Allen, preparing for confirmation here in September.

The Departed: We pray for the departed, especially: Daphne Dorival, Hamdi & Ibrahim, Valery Hobbs Margaret Raine, David Leech, and Margaret Clarke.

Also those whose year's mind falls at this time: especially, Michael Harrison, Harry Harding-Wyatt, Margaret Cooper, Verna George and Faith Emmeline Gay.



6:30pm: Book of Common Prayer Service of Evening Prayer | Led by: Stephen Brooks

Psalm(s): 67 & 133, The Epistle: Joel 2. 21-end, The Gospel: Luke 24. 44-end.

Throughout the week, The Daily Offices of **Morning & Evening Prayer** are observed in Church at 9am and 5pm.

Monday & Wednesday (MP - Live-Streamed on Facebook) | Tuesday & Thursday (In Person - Lady Chapel)

Friday Morning Prayer is at 8.30am (MP - Live-Streamed on Facebook)

Tuesday 26 May 2026 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

Sunday 24 May: Parish Mass for the Feast of Trinity Sunday

Reader(s): Colin Lomas & Pauline Harrison

Intercessor(s): Steve Purcell | Chalice: Chris Michell & Fade Solanke-Mitterer

Sunday 31 May

10.00: Parish Mass for Trinity Sunday

Thursday 4 June

18.30: Parish Mass for the Feast of Corpus Christi

Sunday 7 June

10.00: Parish Family Mass for Environment Sunday

Sunday 14 June

10.00: Parish Mass for the Feast of Barnabas, the Apostle

Sunday 21 June

10.00: Parish Mass for the Third after Trinity

Sunday 28 June

10.00: Parish Mass for the Feast of Peter & Paul, Apostles

Sunday 5 July

10.00: Parish Patronal Festal Mass for the
Feast of Thomas, Apostle

Sunday 12 July

10.00: Parish Mass for Sea Sunday

Sunday 19 July

10.00: Parish Mass for the Seventh after Trinity

Friday 29 May

18.30-19:15: Youth Choir Club

Wednesday 3 June

12.30: Over 50's Fellowship Lunch

Friday 5 June

18.30-19:15: Youth Choir Club

Saturday 6 June

9.45-12.00: Study Morning with Leslie Pringle
"The Problem of Pain"

19.15 for 19.30: Pictures by the Park
"The Ballad of Wallis Island"

(in aid of St Thomas' Hall Renovation Project)

Friday 15 June

18.30-19:15: Youth Choir Club

Friday 19 June

18.30-19:15: Youth Choir Club

Friday 26 June

18.30-19:15: Youth Choir Club

WHAT'S ON AT ST THOMAS'

Stamps

You can turn your used stamps into vital funds to support USPG partner churches across the world. By sending in your stamps from your daily post, we can recycle these and turn them in to donations which will then help to make a difference to our partner across the world.

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Your stamps should be on a single piece of paper (like an envelope) and trimmed to around 4mm to 8mm.



PENTECOST PICNIC



FOLLOWING OUR MASS SERVICE ON PENTECOST, JOIN US FOR A PICNIC IN THE PARK. PLEASE BRING ALONG FOOD, DRINKS, AND A BLANKET TO SIT ON!

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MASS AT 10 AM
PICNIC AFTER

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Pictures by the Park

Join us for a film night, in aid of St Thomas' Hall Renovation Project! Free nibbles provided. BYOB. Admission £5 (PG-13).

Saturday 6th June 2026

7:15 pm for 7:30 pm start

St Thomas' Church Hall, Hanwell, W7 2AD

Study Morning

The Problem of Pain

with Leslie Pringle

Join us for a discussion on the problem of suffering and pain in our lives.

6 June
in the Hall

9.45am: tea and coffee
10am to 12pm: discussion
12pm: lunch



You're invited to our



Over 50s Bring and Share Lunch

Wednesday 3 June
12:30 pm
St Thomas' Church Hall

We would love to have you join our community lunch group for food, friendship, and fun!

Our Over-50s group convenes for lunch on the first Wednesday of every month at 12:30 pm. Please bring along something to eat or something to drink to share with others!

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