WALTHAM ST LAWRENCE CHURCH

20 May 2018

Day of Pentecost



10.30 am Service

Collect of the Day (from Additional Collects, 2004)

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bible Reading: Matthew 6.24-34

²⁴ Jesus said, 'No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" 32 For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

Anthem: 'Come, Holy Ghost' - Thomas Attwood (1834)

The text may be found at Hymn 93

Words: Latin ? St Rabanus Maurus (c 776-856)

Paraphrase translation John Cosin 1627

Next Sunday 27 May

Trinity Sunday

8.45 am Holy Communion 10.00 am Parish Communion

Parish Giving Scheme

The Scheme is now 'live' in this parish. It is based on regular giving by Direct Debit, and offers an easy way to 'inflation proof' your donations if you wish. If you haven't yet joined the PGS, you may do so at any time (whether you currently give by standing order, envelopes, or loose cash). There are explanatory leaflets and gift forms at the back. If you are in the PGS and want to put something in the offering, you may take a plastic token when you come into church.

<u>Preaching Programme</u>: The leaflet for May to August is now available

Data Consent Form

New regulations about the use of personal data come into force next Friday. So that we can still keep in touch with you, please complete and return a Data Consent Form (available at the back of church) if you have not already done so; it is a quick and simple exercise. Thank you very much.

Lord Carey of Clifton, Archbishop of Canterbury 1991–2002, will be our preacher at Evensong next month (3 June, 6 pm). All are most welcome to the service and to stay for wine and light refreshments afterwards.

Advance notice of changes in June

Because of the Village Fête, next month there will be St Lawrence Café and Morning Worship (10.30) on 10 June, and Parish Communion (10.00) on 17 June. All other services, including Messy Church, as normal.

Any items for inclusion in this weekly sheet to reach Charles by noon on Thursday, please. Email: revdcom@btinternet.com Tel: 0118 934 1054