

**Day of Pentecost
(Whit Sunday)
20th May 2018**

I am sure you will be aware that Pat's mother died last week and she had no alternative but to withdraw from running the Market Stall. Please remember Pat in your prayers, particularly as Pat's brother died earlier this year as well.

Given that there were no other volunteers to help with the market stall, the decision was made to cancel the stall and redouble our efforts for the Summer Fete. So this is a loud call to all who do not have a role to volunteer now or commit to helping in some other way – even if it is by turning up and spending money!

Today we celebrate Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit was sent down upon the disciples in Jerusalem. That gift of the Holy Spirit was characterised by flames dancing above the heads of those who had received the Spirit.

The dancing flames of the Spirit are more often to be found dancing within our hearts than over our heads but our receiving the Spirit is no less valid than it was all those years ago in Jerusalem.

As we receive communion today, let us reflect on the sacrificial work carried out by Jesus Christ upon the Cross so that we might be able to receive the Holy Spirit, and be thankful.

May you all receive the Holy Spirit afresh this Pentecost.

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TODAY: PENTECOST 20 MAY 2018

St Nicholas' Chapel, Pilley: 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
St Mary's South Baddesley: 9.30pm Holy Communion CW
St John's Boldre: 10.30am Family Service & Children's Club
St Luke's Sway: 6.30pm Choral Evensong

For Prayer This Week

For all who are recovering from illness, accidents and Operations including Mel who is currently in hospital **Rest in Peace:** Hugo du Plessis, Russell Nicholas, Marguerite Mennie

Activities This Week

Tue 22 May - 10.30am Vintage Fitness. Seated exercise to music at St Nicholas' Pilley & refreshment
Wed 23 May - 10.30am Communion St Nicholas' Pilley + coffee
Thu 24 May - 10.30am Vintage Fitness. As on Tuesdays

NEXT WEEK: TRINITY SUNDAY 27 MAY 2018

St Nicholas' Chapel, Pilley: 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
St Mary's South Baddesley: 9.30pm Matins BCP
St John's Boldre: 10.30am Holy Communion & Children's Club
St John's Boldre: 6.30pm Choral Evensong

SERVICES

Funeral for Marguerite Mennie
Wed 23 May 2018 at 1.30pm

**BI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION WEEK
18—24 June 2018**

We want your ideas. Please talk to Pat or Andy

Sat 2 June 2018

St Marys Garden Fete 2—5pm at Pylewell Park
See Churchwardens or Rachel Smith
help always needed!