

# ST. BENEDICT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Ministry District of Lower Yorke Peninsula  
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PEW SHEET  
23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2010



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## **PENTECOST [Whitsunday]**

Today Jesus promises that the Holy Spirit will be with us forever! What a wonderful gift, this Spirit who teaches us and reminds us of all that Jesus has said. Today, let us remember with gratitude all who have taught us, or reminded us of the words of Jesus. Let us praise God for the work of the Spirit in the Church and in our lives today.

- When do I feel the Spirit working in my life? When have I seen the Spirit at work in the Church?
- Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, giving thanks for its work and witness in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and New Caledonia. *Anglican Board of Mission Pew Reflections 2010*

## **PENTECOST MIGHT HAVE BEEN A TERRIFYING TIME**

Nothing in the disciples' experience could have prepared them for what happened in that upper room behind their locked doors. Something completely unexpected took hold of them, something changed them. Something hurled them out into the world. Once it started, they couldn't stop it. They had no choice.

Reading about it, some 20 odd centuries later, we usually think of Pentecost as a wonderful, exciting, exhilarating experience. Maybe it was. But it may also have been terrifying. Look, after all, at what they faced. The same forces that had callously, carelessly, crucified Jesus were still in power. The disciples had spent seven weeks in fear, isolating themselves behind locked doors. And suddenly, something, an irresistible force – the best they could do was describe it as a mighty wind, as tongues of flame – was driving them outside. Driving them outside, not to skulk in the shadows, but to attract attention. To draw crowds. Just like Jesus. And they all knew what had happened to Him! Wouldn't you be scared? But they didn't have a choice. Whatever it was – that wind, those flames – it flung them right through their locked doors and into a hostile world. God's holy spirit still has that effect. Or it can. Frightening thought, isn't it?

*Jim Taylor*

**Readings 23<sup>rd</sup> May HC**

Acts 2.1-21

John 14. 8-17

**Reader: G. Illman****Sidesmen:****A. Litster/R. Kidd****Readings 6<sup>th</sup> June HC**

1 Kings 17. 8-16

Ps. 146

Galations 1. 11-24

Luke 7. 11-17

**Reader:****Sidesmen:****D. Walton/B. Edwards**

**Prayer of the day-** O God, who in smoke and fire upon Mount Sinai gave the law to Moses, and who revealed the new covenant in the fire of the Spirit: grant, we pray, that, kindled by that same Spirit which you poured forth upon your apostles, we may fulfil with joy your commandment of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**Southpark Hostel - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 9-30amMelaleuca Court - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 11amElanora - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 11amSt. Benedict's - every Wednesday at 9am MP

**WELCOME!** Especially to family and friends of our congregation, other visitors, or newcomers. If you receive Holy Communion in any Christian tradition, you are very welcome to receive the sacrament with us. We invite you to join us for morning tea afterwards in the hall. It is our custom to not pass the offering plate during the service, but there is a plate at the door if you would like to make a donation to our church.

**Prayers** are requested for Felicity Corlett [*Dawn Parsons' Daughter*], Clarence Cook [*Jeff's brother*], Christopher Pullin, Connie Hosking [*Joan's friend*], Rosemary & Bob Nicholls, Alison Clark [*friends of Michael & Anne*], Laura Illman

**Year's Mind:** Sophie Park, Derek Faggotter, Thomas Cook, Daisy Snook, Millicent Roberts, Dorothy Martin, Harry Glazbrook, Gertrude Elson, Sydney Hoyle, Iris Smith, Mona Beswetherick, Helen Cleland, Sarah Butler

## THE CALENDAR

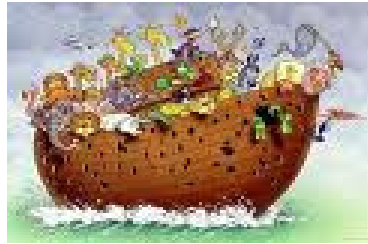
May 25 St. Benedict's Council 7-30pm  
30 Ministry District Service at Warooka 10-30am  
Lunch at the Warooka Hotel

June 9 Mothers Union Luncheon

**PLEASE CHECK THE NOTICE BOARDS EACH WEEK**

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*If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito.*



### TWO BY TWO

The long voyage was finally over. Noah set down the ramp and proceeded to usher the animals off, two by two. Each time a pair left the ark he would say the same thing: "God bless you. Now go forth and multiply."

It was quite a job, but he finally got the ark emptied out, or so he thought, until he came across a pair of snakes coiled up in the corner.

"Well, what are you two waiting for?" he asked. "God bless you. Now go forth and multiply."

"That's the problem," said one of the snakes. "We're adders."



### 'FADS'

The clerk in a shoe store was trying hard to persuade his customer that a pair of uncomfortable shoes fit her.

"I'm telling you, these shoes are too pointed and too narrow," argued the customer.

"But, madam," replied the salesman, "everyone is wearing narrow, pointed shoes this season."

"That may be," countered the customer, "but I'm still wearing my last season's feet."