

Salvation Army Sunday 28th May 2023



A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today, especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday.

May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am. Also Sunday worship is livestreamed on YouTube

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army Web page www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate

For a fresh anointing,

Lord, for service

Come we now in Jesus' precious name;

For the blessed Pentecostal fullness,

Every heart with heav'nly love aflame.

Send a new touch of fire on our souls, Lord,

Send it now, Lord, send it now, Lord;

Touch our lips today with the living coals,



Send a new touch of fire on our souls.



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What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 28th May 10.00 Prayers

10.30 Pentecost celebration

6pm Youth Event

This week includes a Bank Holiday (Not Spring Bank Holiday as government would have you believe but **Whit Monday**!!) and half term holiday so many of our activities are not taking place. Jacqueline is on holiday this weekend and Carl and Heather are visiting Ezra (and his mum and dad) in Macclesfield during the week.

Monday to Friday (6.30am-9am) Breakfast Drop-in (Not M&T)

Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am) No Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group)

No ACES 1pm

No Membership classes

Tuesday No Prayers 9.30am

No Food Parcel preparation No The Well 10.30 – 12 No Light Lunch 12 noon

No Bible study 1pm

No ZOOM bible study 7pm (8651865167)

Wednesday (from 11 am) No Friendship club and Lunch club

Speak-Up using community hall.
No Kids Club Music Lessons

Adult Music Practices (7pm-9pm)

Thursday Forward Trust at Hall

Friday (10am - 12 noon) Food Bank

Ukrainian Language Class 1.30pm

No Kids Club 6pm to 7.30pm

Saturday 3rd June CTiR Prayer Breakfast – **St Ethelbert's** (9am)

Ukrainian Drop-In (11am to 1pm)

Sunday 4th June 10.30 Sunday Worship, Sunday School

Songs of Praise

4.30pm Café Church

Thanks for all who supported the minimarket yesterday – we raised £312

Holy Spirit, you are like a rushing wind.

A strong wind blows things around, breaks and smashes things, throws them up in the air. Things are out of control and can be quite scary.

Dare we allow God's rushing wind into our lives?

It might change our plans, challenge us to see things with new eyes, push us into new situations, or show us a new path.

Lord, help us to be brave enough to say, 'Come Holy Spirit.'

Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, you are like tongues of fire. Fire burns and cleanses. It can destroy and new growth can come. The disciples were set on fire with God's love.

Dare we allow ourselves to be set on fire with God's love?

It might make us welcome the stranger, walk the extra mile, be extra generous, offer our time, or speak of God to others whom we meet.

Lord, help us to be brave enough to say, 'Come Holy Spirit.'
Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, you are like a dove.
Doves are symbols of peace and reconciliation. With peace comes a sense of acceptance, a letting go of conflict, forgiving others and accepting forgiveness. Dare we allow ourselves to find that peace? It might lead us to speak to the person we avoid, it breaks down walls, to be a reconciler and a healer in difficult situations.

Lord, help us to be brave enough to say, 'Come Holy Spirit.'
Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, you are like water poured out. Water cleanses. It can be still or

turbulent. It can refresh dry places and bring new growth. It can quench our thirst and longing.

Dare we allow ourselves to be drowned in the water of the Spirit?

It might restore and refresh us. It might toss us around so we briefly lose our footing, but then pick us up again and throw us back onto dry land. As the psalms say, it might bring us to a place of still waters, or we might be washed whiter than snow.

Lord, help us to be brave enough to say, 'Come Holy Spirit.'

Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, you are like a healing touch. Your touch can change everything, transforming, blessing and holding. Dare we ask for that healing touch?

We name the five we have been praying for...

May they know the Holy Spirit's healing touch.

Come, Holy Spirit, renew your Church and stir up your people.

In place of fear, give us courage to go where you call us.

In place of apathy, give us a passion to proclaim.

In place of shyness, give us the right words to speak.

In place of reticence, motivate us to deeds of love.

Send us out as labourers in the harvest that, through our words and lives, our nation may hear afresh the Gospel of salvation.

Amen.



Flowers this week are thanks to Maggie, given in memory of her parents wedding day

We pray for **Claire Harden** as she recovers from her recent operation today. This will take up to six weeks We pray for **Debbie Smith** after her recent operation.

We pray for John McCairn, family and friends following

the recent death of his **mum**. We continue to pray for **John** and his ongoing health problems. We pray for **David Richards** who is home after some time in QEQM following a fall.

Our prayers continue for Marilena's father **Vasily** who is recovereing from an emegency leg amputation. Prayers for Carol Pratt.

We remember in prayer Angela's sister **Teresa** whose health has deteriorated significantly in the last few days.

We pray for Nick's father, John who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

We continue to pray for for **Douglas** and thank God for on-going improvement this week. May God give Him healing, strength and wisdom he needs. Prayers for **Douglas** and **Pauline** as they are both now suffering from the effects of Covid 19. This has delayed the expected move for Douglas for recuperative care.

Our prayers continue for **Major Kathryn Blowers** and for her family as they care for her. We pray for Captain **Jan Penfold** that she might soon be back to full health.

We pray for clarity over the youth worker post.

Lord, help us to be brave enough to say, 'Come Holy Spirit.'

Come, Holy Spirit.



What about Pentecost?



What does it mean?

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Pentecost comes from the word for FIFTY.

The celebration gets its name because it comes fifty days after Easter Sunday.

From the Greek: Perie Koste meaning fiftieth.

Who was there?

In Acts 2, we read that the Holy Spirit came to the disciples as they were gathered together. They would have been gathered to celebrate the Jewish festival Shavuot - a festival to celebrate the firstfruits of the Harvest.

What happened?



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Pentecost marks the first outpouring of the Holy Spirit. "Suddenly a sound like _ came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be _____ separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to _____ as the Spirit enabled them." Acts 2:1-4 NIV After the Holy Spirit came to the disciples, Peter preached to the crowds: "Repent and be _____ every one of you, in the name of _____ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of _____ "The promise is for ____ and ____ and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."" Acts 2:38-39 NIV how could you celebrate the church's birthday Why is it important? Pentecost is seen as the birth of the church as we know it today, and tells us the truth that we too can recieve the Holy Spirit as the disciples did: "Every day they continued to ______ in the temple courts. They _____ in their homes and _____ with glad and sincere hearts, praising _____ and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord those who were being saved."

Acts 2:46-47 NIV