

# KEEP PRAYING



## PENTECOST— SPIRIT OF LOVE, LEADING US OUT

*'Breathe on us, breath of God; fill us with life anew.'*

Holy Spirit, Comforter and Life-giver:

- Stir within us, tending the wounds we bare and bringing our dead places to life.
- Flow between us as we seek to grow into ever more loving, welcoming communities of faith.
- Ignite within us the joy of hearing others' stories and of telling our own story.
- Spread your wings of justice and healing over communities torn apart by conflict.
- Gift wisdom and creativity to those co-ordinating healthcare and vaccination programmes in nations hardest-hit by Covid.
- Disrupt our preconceptions and thrill our hearts as you reveal to us where you are already at work.





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**Holy Spirit, flame of unstinting love,  
Warm our hearts and soothe our pains through  
this long journey of pandemic.  
Stay our fears and renew our joy,  
That we may be eager to share our faith  
And energised to reach for hope.  
Amen.**

In the weeks and months after Pentecost, the early church did their praying in the temple courts – the market place of their day. In this Pentecost season, what if we prayed blessing in our public places? You could take your Bible and pray in a coffee shop, do a prayer walk around your local neighbourhood or offer to pray for someone you chat to in a queue.

Pray words of blessing wherever you find yourself, then see what the Spirit does next.

For more information about Keep Praying, visit [canterburydiocese.org/keep-praying](http://canterburydiocese.org/keep-praying).

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