

St Mary's News

Sunday 2 May 2021

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Today

5th Sunday of Easter

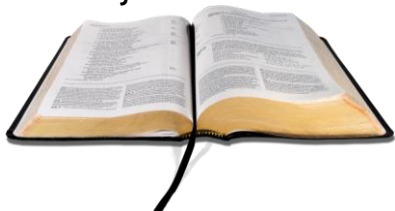
8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion in church
and via Zoom

Readings:

Acts 8: 26-end

John 15: 1-8



The Collect for the 5th Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Next week

6th Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion in
church and via Zoom

Readings:

Acts 10: 44-end

John 15: 9-17



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who live in
Palmers Brook & Lonewood Way

We pray for those who have recently died:

Dr Margaret Robinson
Bishop Colin

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Mary Grace Kemp (1st May)

Lara Pragnell (1st)

Keith Edwin Vanns (5th)

Violet Mary Bucknall (5th)

Frederick Donoghue (6th)

Betty Calvert (6th)

This Week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
6pm Compline (F)

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am-12.30pm Church open
for private prayer and Food
Bank
6pm Compline (F)

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

F = services via Facebook Live

Ascension Day

Thursday 13 May

6pm Holy Communion Service

Are you a UK taxpayer?

For every pound you Gift Aid to St Mary's, the government will add 25p. It can also be claimed retrospectively. Gift Aid envelopes are available for one-off cash donations. You can also gift aid donations to charity appeals.

Parochial Church Council (PCC)

Thank you to Cathy Brill and Mike Harvey who joined the PCC at our Annual Parochial Church Meeting last week, also to Barry Wheeler who will be representing St Mary's on the Deanery Synod, and to Michael and John who will be staying on as Church Wardens. We are especially grateful that all our PCC and other 'church officer' roles have been filled, And, of course, a big thank you to Julia and Nicola who have now stepped down after their three years on the PCC.

For those who were viewing the APCM on Zoom, apologies for the break in the Zoom link during the last item on the agenda – the vicar's reflection. This can be found on St Mary's website or [here](#).

Kneelers & Inserts

Just a reminder that, due to the restoration of a number of kneelers by Christine Davies, we now have some inserts left over. If anyone would like to take one home for gardening, household chores – or personal devotion, please feel free to pick one up from the back of church.

Olive Baldock

We have learned this week of the sad news that Olive Baldock died in January in a care home near her family in Canterbury. Many members of St Mary's will remember that Olive, who lived in Hadlow, was Deputy Head of Bennett Memorial School and, after her retirement, for many years was a Reader at St Mary's.

Bishop Colin

We have also heard that Bishop Colin, a long-standing member of the Delhi Brotherhood has died this month from Covid-19 at the age of 75. Rt Rev Colin Theodore was Bishop of Rajasthan Diocese of the Church of North India from 2001-2011, but after his retirement he lived among the Brothers at Brotherhood House in Delhi from where he led the Delhi Chapter of the National Council of Churches in India (NCCI). Bishop Colin visited St Mary's on a couple of occasions.

Several other Brothers have also been struggling recently with Covid which has particularly affected the poor in India including those among whom the Delhi Brotherhood work.

Lent Appeal 2021 in aid of the Delhi Brotherhood

Reminder: If you have raised funds for from giving up something in Lent, Martin Massy would love to receive your collection.

Children's Society Box Collection

Offering of Children's Society boxes will take place at the 10am Service on Sunday 20 June. If you do not have a Children's Society Box and would like one for collecting your loose change, please ring Kirsty on 850404.

Needed: Volunteers to Tend the Brasses

We would be very grateful for several more volunteers to join the rota to polish the brasses in church. If you might be interested, or would like more information, please contact Linda Moore.

Hospital Car Service

If you would like transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881.



Lord we would Grow with You

Lord, we would grow with you
New shoots reaching out
Hands stretched upward
Like leaves newly formed
Soaking up your light and
warmth

Lord, we would grow with you

Lord, we would grow with you
In sunshine and rain
In darkness and light
In cold days and summer days
From Springtime to Winter
Lord, we would grow with you

Lord, we would grow with you
And bring forth fruit
That is pleasing to you
Fed by your living water
Giving sustenance to others
Lord, we would grow with you

Contemporary Welsh prayer



Who's who at St Mary's?

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Honorary Treasurer

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Janice Massy (07570 941809)
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PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information:

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell & Barry Wheeler (Deanery Synod reps.); Cathy Brill, Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Mike Harvey; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt.

PCC Secretary:

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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.