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CORONATION
KING CHARLES
III
2023**

**Ewell Village Coronation
Celebration
Sunday 7th May 2023
At St Mary's Church
London Road, Ewell.**

8:00 said Holy Communion
9:30 Sung Holy Communion
12:00 Coronation Picnic
(bring your own lunch)
at the Vicarage
14 Church Street, Ewell



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Fr Mark Stafford writes

We are all in the same boat!

I'm sure you've all heard the expression 'charity begins at home'.

I'd like us to think about this but from a slightly different point of view. What happens when charity stays at home?

Like many charities the church is reliant upon the generosity of others. The money given to the church helps to support the church here in Ewell, provide stipends for our clergy and provides for and supports the numerous other functions of the church in different parishes across our diocese.

At St Mary's we are very fortunate that many members of our congregation donate by standing order or direct debit and have kindly continued to generously give to the work of the Church through the pandemic and our current cost of living crisis. Thank you all so much for this generosity.

This year's Lent appeal was for the work of the Epsom and Ewell Refugee Network. Often the most vulnerable in our society are the ones who lives are most affected by illness, lack of resources and fluctuations in the economy and often charities that provide for the most vulnerable in society are the first to be hit by a crisis.

It is important that we don't forget our charitable giving, even though things may be difficult for us, we are likely to be in a far stronger position than many people.

Maybe as we pray, "give us our daily bread", we can think of those who have less than we do and consider how we can support them. Maybe we can volunteer, maybe make a cash donation to a charity, maybe buy some extra tinned food, and donate it to the food bank. There is collection box at the back of Church. Please speak to Emily Larkin if you would like to know more about the foodbank. Emily provides a regular article about the foodbank in each month's EPN.

In recent years, I am sure we have all heard the expressions, "we are all in this together" or "we are in the same boat", the more I think about these the more I realise how untrue and unhelpful they are.



I saw this image online recently and it really struck me that during the pandemic and especially now as we feel the effects of the war in Ukraine and the cost-of-living crisis that we are not all in the same boat, but in the same storm. Some of us are

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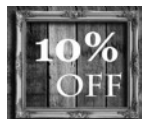
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in the storm in luxury yachts and can weather the storm in relative comfort, while others are clinging on to lashed together planks of wood. The storms of life are most likely to have a greater impact on those who had less to start with, so let's keep those who most need our help and support in our thoughts and prayers and also on our giving lists!

We are not all in the same boat, but we are all in the same storm.

WHAT'S ON IN MAY

Coronation Celebrations

We will be holding a bring-your-own Coronation picnic in the Vicarage Garden after Church on 7 May, it would be great to celebrate this wonderful and historic time with you all.

Lunchtime Bach Tuesday recital

9 May - Come and join us for our Lunchtime Bach Tuesday recital from 1.05pm – 1.35pm featuring the major Preludes and Fugues. Tea, coffee and refreshments to follow.

Put out the Flags.

Our next church dinner will be held in Ewell Hall on Saturday 13 May at 6.30 for 7.00pm. Join us for a three-course dinner and entertainment. Tickets cost £15 and are on sale after Sunday services. We regret we cannot reserve tickets in advance. Buy your tickets early as they sell out very quickly.

Bereavement café

Thursday 18 May 2.45– 3.45pm at Ewell Hall (opposite the Church). Bereavement Café offers a chance to meet with others who understand the experience of loss. Bereavement Café is a space to talk about the pain of bereavement, and find mutual support and encouragement, when you need it most.

Spring Market.

We will be holding a Spring Market on Saturday 20 May. This popular event is well known for its wide variety of bedding plants and homemade cakes. There will also be bric-a-brac and books for your perusal. Tea and coffee will be available. The sale will be held between 10.00am and 12.00 noon in Ewell Hall. Admission is free and all are welcome!

Mark Dancer on the 'Father' Willis organ

20 May at 7.30pm Mark is organist at Petersfield Parish Church, he was once the organist at St Mary's, and we frequently sing his popular Mass in G. We look forward to welcoming him back to St Mary's.

Church APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is on 21 May after the 9.30am service. This is the meeting where our annual reports are presented and sidesmen and PCC members are elected. The meeting is preceded by a separate meeting for the election of churchwardens. If you wish to attend the APCM, you must be on our electoral roll. Application forms for membership of the electoral roll are available at the back of the church and must be completed and returned by 6 May.

On-line Quiz

Our next on-line quiz using Zoom is on 24 May at 8.00pm. If you have not joined one of our on-line quizzes, then do consider it this month. Our quizzes really are great fun. You will need to register using a link that will be given in the Weekly Notes nearer the time, or you can email zoom@stmarysewell.com.

Apart from the items mentioned above, do check the Calendar on the back page for the full list of services and events happening in May.

Every blessing

Fr Mark



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We continue to seek volunteers to learn how to operate our AV/sound desk and to join the team helping with livestreaming/videos at our services.

This is a vital part of our outreach so if you think you may be able to help, please contact the churchwardens, our clergy or John Larkin.

APRIL BRAINTEASER SOLUTION



Find two unequal numbers whose difference is the same as the difference in their squares

There is an infinite number of solutions!

The answer is any two numbers whose sum is equal to 1

For example $1/3$ and $2/3$ or 2 and -1

ST. MARY'S ON-LINE QUIZZES



We hold monthly on-line quizzes using Zoom

These are very popular and fun for all the family. Why not join us?

Our next quiz will be on Wednesday May 24

As always, you will need to register beforehand. You can use links provided in the Weekly Notes or you can also register by emailing zoom@stmarysewell.com.

MAY CONCERTS

May 9 at 1.05 pm

Free Tuesday lunchtime Bach organ recital

Jonathan Holmes

May 20 at 7.30pm

Mark Dancer on the 'Father' Willis organ

Mark is organist at Petersfield Parish Church. He was organist at St Mary's, and we frequently sing his popular Mass in G. We look forward to welcoming him back to St. Mary's

Admission to the Saturday Concerts is a £10 suggested donation for over 18s. The Tuesday concerts are free and are followed by afternoon tea. Every penny raised goes towards restoration of the Willis organ.

St Mary's Toddler Group

Thursday mornings in term time

10-11.30 in Ewell Hall

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Prayers for May



This Springtime, we pray -

Creator God, fill each one of us with love for the whole of your creation. As we see the beauty of trees and plants all around us springing back to life, more than ever, awake in us a thirst and energy to work tirelessly to maintain the world as you would wish it to be. Teach us not to squander earth's precious resources but help us to value its many and diverse habitats: the seas, deserts, forests and seek to preserve this world in all its diversity.

Help us to find ways to use earth's resources wisely and to find a path to good, sustainable living in peace and harmony with all that populates this world, both humankind and all living things around us.

Lord, help me to truly think about the words that I pray.
Help me to mean the words that I pray. Help me to live the words that I pray. **AMEN**



GARDEN PARTY SAVE THE DATE

The next garden party organised by our Social Committee will be held in the Vicarage Garden on **Saturday 24 June** from 2.30 to 4.30 pm.

Do join us to enjoy a delicious cream tea.

Tickets cost £5 and will be on sale in church from the end of May.

ORGAN CONCERT

Saturday 22 March

Despite the dreary weather, a sizeable audience turned out to hear the Willis organ being put through its paces in a programme of lesser-known works. Thanks are due to Julia and Liz, assisted by Rev Sue Ayling, for running the box office and refreshments table respectively.

It is always good to meet some young composers. One of these is **Iain Farrington** who is among those commissioned to write music for the Coronation this year. It was his *Lay my Burden down* that opened today's programme. This work is a series of reflections based on African-American spirituals and traditional songs. These are as follows: *When I lay my burden down*; *Sometimes I feel like a motherless child*; *Amazing Grace*; *Steal Away*; *Every time I feel the spirit*. Equally young is **Kristina Arkelyan** who has established herself as a leading figure among modern women composers. One of her compositions is a short piece for organ called *Star Fantasy (Alleluia: vidimus stellam)* and it brought us to the interval.

It could be argued that **Charles-Marie Widor** was unfortunate to live when he did. Born less than twenty years after Beethoven, he was active pretty well up to the year of his death in 1937; by that time, the conservative style of his music had been left far behind. A whole new generation of French composers had grown up, too young to be engulfed in the cataclysm of the Great War. One example will suffice. Darius Milhaud had been a composition pupil of Widor's in 1908. The latter duly lost his temper when he found out that Milhaud's Brazilian-inspired ballet 'Le Boeuf sur le toit' was to be France's contribution to the 1922 Salzburg Festival.

Though the Toccata has become one of the best-known of all organ music, Widor is far from a 'one-trick pony'. He composed many things including songs, chamber music and ballets. Yet it is for his organ symphonies that Widor's name is still kept before the public. Perhaps the time is right for a complete reappraisal of his music.

The last of Widor's organ symphonies took up the second half of Jonathan's recital today. This is the symphony *Number 10 in D, 'Romaine'*. By the time he came to write it, in 1900, Widor had left his earlier style - such as the famous Toccata - far behind. He now found himself being drawn to the idea - new at the time - of plainchant in the context of public worship. The instrument he had in mind for the new symphony was the full-blooded Romanesque organ that Cavaille-Coll had built at Toulouse in 1889 and Widor dedicated his new symphony "ad memoriam Sancti Saturnini Tolosensis" or, in English, 'to the church of St. Sernin, Toulouse'. This is a Romanesque church, hence the work's title. The Easter plainchant 'Haec dies' or 'This is the day the Lord has made' permeates all four movements. Jonathan was at pains to explain the close resemblance between the sound of our Willis organ and that of both Toulouse and Widor's own church, Saint-Sulpice in Paris.

GRAND DRAW TICKETS

As many of you will know, we will be holding a Grand Draw at the Ewell Village Fair. Tickets will be on sale at the Spring Market on May 20 and two books of tickets are included in this edition of the Ewell Parish News in the hope that you will be able to sell some tickets on our behalf.

The draw will take place at the Ewell Village Fair on Saturday 15 July 2023. We have cash prizes, tickets for days out, vouchers for meals out and lots of other exciting prizes. If possible, cash and counterfoils should be returned by Saturday 8 July 2023 to either your EPN distributor or direct to the promoter (name and address are on the tickets) or placed in the blue box at the back of Church. We understand that not everyone will be able to buy or sell tickets, but we will be most grateful if you can help with this fund raising project.



ST. MARY'S ECO GROUP

How can we reduce our food waste?

During the Covid pandemic, UK households took measures to conserve food and reduce waste. Probably this was because of a shortage in shops and a reluctance to venture out. Unfortunately, food waste has risen to pre-pandemic levels as we have returned to our previous behaviours. This means that 70% of food waste (post farm gate) comes from households in the UK, has a value of over £14 billion a year and uses 200 million tonnes of greenhouse gases (source: Food Wrap survey 2022). This is not just wasted food. To get the food we have had to use valuable resources. Animals have been transported and slaughtered, dairy producers have used electricity. Almost everything we buy uses plastic to keep it fresh and petrol to transport it. We may feel pride about recycling our food, by making sure the council bin is filled. However this in turn uses energy to transport and turn into fuel which just adds to the cost to our environment.

So how can we reduce our food waste? There are several things we can do:

- be mindful of food dates as we were during the pandemic
- grow your own food where possible
- eat seasonal foods to cut down on transport wastage
- plan a weekly menu and buy only what you need for the week (this will save you money as well)
- shop from a list and ignore "must have" bargains - they are not a bargain if you don't eat them
- download the Olio food app which advertises fresh food collected by volunteers for free from retailers instead of them throwing it out
- use the Too Good To Go app which sells Magic Bags from retailers at much reduced prices instead of wasting it
- use vegetable peelings and bones to make broths, these can be canned or frozen for future use.

These are just a few ideas we can use. I am keen to find out your own ways of reducing food waste in your household. Please email me (donovandenise9@gmail.com) your own ideas or habits on food waste reduction to be included in a future article.

If you have an ECO tip or would like to join our ECO Group we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch with Sue Ayling at: assistantpriest@stmarysewell.com or 020 8337 6347.

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www.acts435.org.uk/our-mission/how-we-work/

SPRING MARKET

The ever popular Spring Market will be held on Saturday 20 May between 10.00am and 12 noon in Ewell Hall.

Admission is free and all are welcome. Tea, coffee and cold drinks will be available for your mid-morning break and there will be an extensive selection of plants, cakes, books and bric-a-brac on sale.

Donations of home-made cakes, home grown plants, books and bric-a-brac are always welcome. Non-perishable contributions for the stalls can be left in church from Sunday 14 May and any other items for sale can be brought to the Church Hall on Friday 19 May from 6.30pm - 8pm or from 8.30am on the day. Alternately a list of stall-holders is shown below to enable specific arrangements to be made.

There will be a raffle - for which any donations will be gratefully received - and Grand Draw tickets for the Ewell Village Fair will be on sale.

Please come along with your family and friends to enjoy this social occasion.

All proceeds from this event are put towards the running expenses of the Ewell Village Fair which will be held on 15 July in the grounds of Ewell Castle School, Glyn House.

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Refreshments	Rosemarie Henson	020 8224 2713
Raffle	Gill Bird	01372 277436

EPSOM & EWELL FOODBANK

Our foodbank relies on your goodwill and support, and your food donations are vital. We have run out of lots of things – please help if you can.

Urgently needed: Tinned Fruit, Pulses, Long Life Fruit Juice, Savoury Biscuits, Noodles, Powdered Milk, Cooking Sauces, Shaving Foam / Gel, Shampoo / Conditioner, Toothpaste (adult), Washing Up Liquid.

Please no more of these items as we are fully stocked: Pasta, dog / cat food, Tinned soup.

We would also appreciate any bags for life/very strong bags!

You can donate at St Mary's Church Ewell, Sainsbury's Kiln Lane, Waitrose Epsom and Banstead, Asda Burgh Heath and Tesco, Leatherhead, or directly to Epsom & Ewell Foodbank, Good Company Hub, (Behind West Ewell Primary School), Ruxley Lane, Ewell KT19 0JG. Open Monday to Friday 9am - 2pm excluding Bank Holidays.

You can sign up to the Foodbank newsletter on their website at www.epsomewell.foodbank.org.uk

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REPORT FROM PCC MEETING 28 MARCH

The meeting began with a talk from guest speaker, Stella Wiseman, Surrey ambassador for Inclusive Church. She defined what is meant by inclusion and why some people may not be coming to church - difficulty with access, having a learning or hearing difficulty, having dementia, because of their gender, their ethnicity or their sexuality or even thinking church is 'too posh' for them. Members were asked to read a leaflet given out by Stella, in order to help them make an informed decision at the next meeting, about joining the organisation.

Fr Mark reported that there had been 60 responses to the recent questionnaire. The Mission Action Planning Group met to analyse the responses and comments. Forums have been set up to look more closely at the data and comments pertaining to various areas of responsibility. Dates have been arranged for these forums to meet and decide the way forward. At the end of this process all information will be shared at a meeting for the whole congregation.

The PCC voted in favour of requests which had been received from two families to have memorial benches placed in the churchyard.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2 May 2023.

Liz Divall, PCC Secretary

VICARAGE GARDEN PARTY ON EASTER SUNDAY



On Easter Sunday the morning services were followed by an Easter Egg hunt in the churchyard and a bring-your-own picnic in the Vicarage Garden. We were blessed with a sunny day and our thanks go to Mark and Lucy our generous hosts who proved fizz for those attending.

PUT OUT THE FLAGS



Our next church dinner will be held in Ewell Hall on Saturday 13 May at 6.30 for 7.00 pm.

Come and join us for a delicious three course dinner with entertainment between courses.

Tickets cost £15 and are on sale in Church after Sunday morning services.

Our church dinners are organised by the Social Committee and are always very popular. We regret that we cannot reserve tickets in advance so please buy your tickets early as they sell out very quickly.



Saturday 15 July 2023

Planning for EVF is well underway. Thank you to all those people that have volunteered to help with the fair. A meeting is happening very soon to plan the help - we will then be in contact.

The Golden Retrievers are back as are the Paladins of Chivalry and Punch and Judy. The Army reserves will be there as we hope will be the Nordic Walkers (you will have to attend on the day to find out what this is!).

Plenty of food and drink are organised so that you can be fed and watered all day.

Chris Grayling is coming along to open the fair, meeting the Morris Men at the Green Man then coming to the main arena. The Mayor of Epsom and Ewell is attending in the afternoon to visit the stalls etc and to draw the winners of the Grand Draw

If you're interested in helping, please email me at fair@stmarysewell.com or let Fr Mark know.

Many thanks - not long now!

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*Florie is a Jazz-pop singer who fuses 1940's
vocal Jazz singing with Beatlesque melodies*



THANK YOU FROM ST MARY'S FLOWER TEAM

On behalf of the flower team, I would like to thank so many of you for your generosity in contributing to the Easter flowers in our church, either by sponsoring a lily or making a general donation. We were overwhelmed by your support. I know that the flowers are loved and appreciated by a great number of you and it is always a pleasure for the flower team to meet up and fill the church with displays, especially whilst we enjoy a cup of tea and a hot cross bun together!



As many of you will know, the price of flowers in the shops has gone up considerably in the last year (as with all things), and the same is also true of the wholesaler we use. Previously we have been able to keep a small amount of funds aside from weddings in church but alas, this year so far, we only have one wedding. Therefore, if we wish to continue to have a new weekly display of flowers we will have to rely more and more on more donations from the congregation.

We are very grateful to all those of you who regularly give money towards our church flowers but if you have not previously done so, would you please consider whether you would like a pedestal one Sunday to be in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special occasion like a birthday or anniversary? Contact Lucy or Sybil or email flowers@stmarysewell.com to book a slot or learn more.

I would like to thank every member of our hard working team for all their efforts over the last year. We are always looking for new members, so if you have some limited experience in arranging flowers and would like to consider joining us occasionally, please do get in touch and perhaps join us one Friday morning to see what we do.

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ROGATION SUNDAY (SUNDAY BEFORE ASCENSION)

In the Anglican Church, Rogation is celebrated on the fifth Sunday after Easter. Rogation means an asking of God for blessing on the seed and land for the year ahead. It is appropriate in any emergency, war, plague, drought or foul weather.

The practice began with the Romans, who invoked the help of the gods Terminus and Ambarvalia. In those days a crowd moved in procession around the cornfields, singing and dancing, sacrificing animals, and driving away winter with sticks. They wanted to rid the cornfields of evil.

In about 465 the Western world was suffering from earthquake, storm and epidemic. So Mamertius, Bishop of Vienne, aware of the popular pagan custom, ordered that prayers should be said in the ruined or neglected fields on the days leading up to Ascension. With his decision, 'beating the bounds' became a Christian ceremonial.

Rogation-tide arrived in England early in the eighth century and became a fixed and perennial asking for help of the Christian God. On Rogation-tide, a little party would set out to trace the boundaries of the parish. At the head marched the bishop or the priest, with a minor official bearing a Cross, and after them the people of the parish, with schoolboys and their master trailing along. Most of them held slender wands of willow.

At certain points along the route - at well-known landmarks like a bridge or stile or ancient tree, the Cross halted, the party gathered about the priest, and a litany or rogation is said, imploring God to send seasonable wealth, keep the corn and roots and boughs in good health, and bring them to an ample harvest. At some point beer and cheese would be waiting.

In the days when maps were neither common nor accurate, there was much to be said for 'beating the bounds.' It was still very common as late as the reign of Queen Victoria. Certainly, parish boundaries rarely came into dispute, for everyone knew them. (Do you know where ours is?)

OBSERVATIONS ON LIFE

Don't worry about what people are thinking of you. They aren't thinking about you, they are thinking about themselves.

If I had known how wonderful it would be to have grandchildren, I'd have had them first. - *L Wyse*

When you talk, you only repeat what you already know, but if you listen you may learn something. - *Amish school proverb*

Every path has its puddle.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst, for they are sticking to their diets!

If you want the rainbow, you've got to put up with the rain.

Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

Born again in Christ

26 March Alexander William Attenborough

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**And now, Lord, what is my hope? Truly
my hope is even in thee
(Psalm 39, used in the BCP Burial rite)**

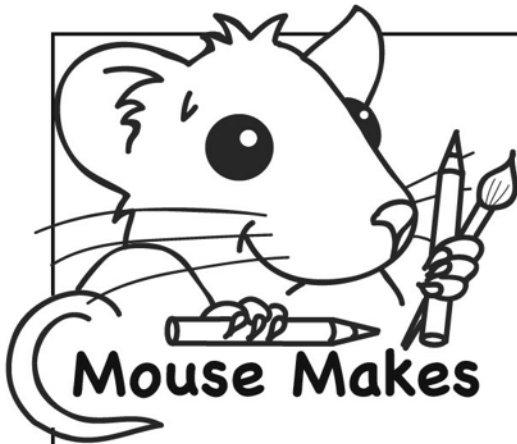
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18 March John Wharton, aged 94

18 March Eleanor Jean Wharton, aged 93

13 April Clive Michael Ralph Dibben, aged 74


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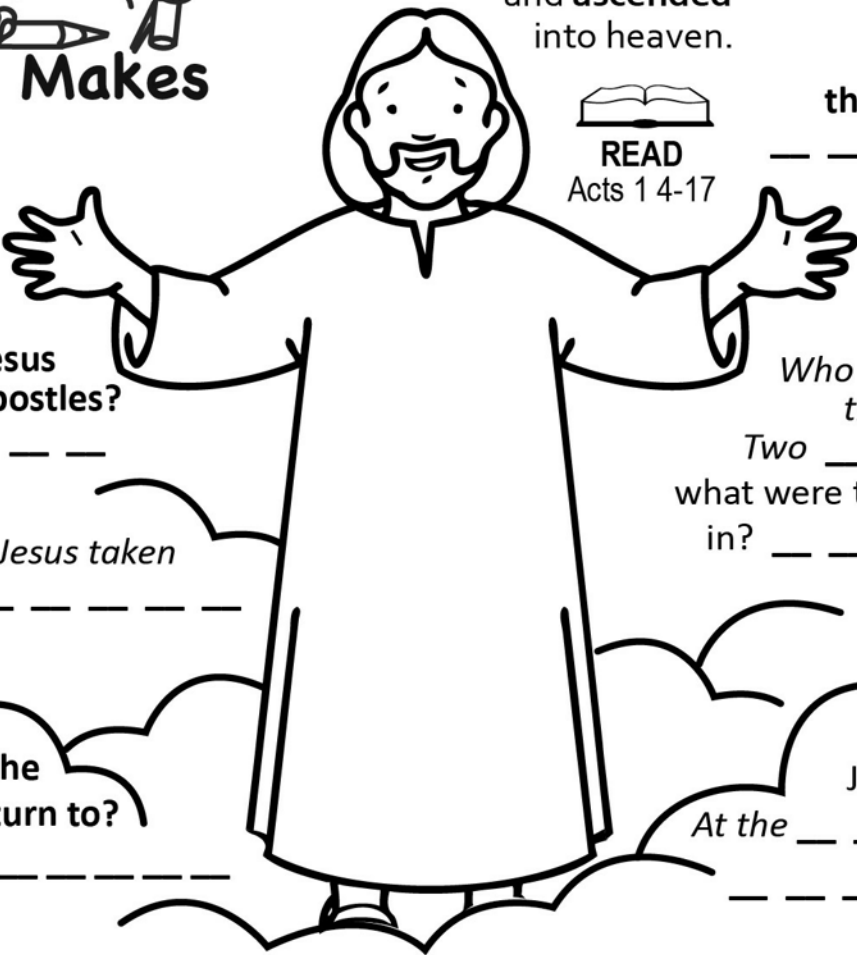
Forty days after His resurrection Jesus appeared to the Apostles one last time. He told them that the Holy Spirit would come, then He blessed them and **ascended** into heaven.



READ
Acts 1 4-17

What did Jesus say that the Holy Spirit would give the Apostles?

_____ to be Jesus' witnesses.
Acts 1:8



What did Jesus say to the Apostles?

a _____
Acts 1:9

Where was Jesus taken up to? _____
Luke 24:51

Where did the Apostles return to?

Acts 1:12

Who appeared to the Apostles?

Two _____ and what were they dressed in? _____
Acts 1:10

Where is Jesus seated?
At the _____ of God.
Mark 16:19

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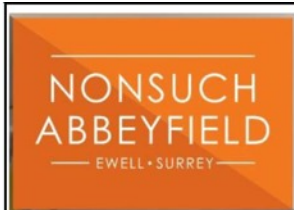


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Calendar for May



Morning Prayer will usually be celebrated at 0900 Monday to Saturday and shown online

EASTER 4

- T 02 1000 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
1930 PCC Meeting (Parish Room)
Th 04 1000 St Mary's Toddler Group (Hall)

S 07 EASTER 5

- 0800 Said Holy Communion (BCP) (Lady Chapel)
0930 Jesus and Me (JAM) (Hall then Church)
0930 Sung Holy Communion
1200 Coronation Picnic (Vicariate)
T 09 1000 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
1305 Lunchtime Bach Organ Recital
Th 11 1000 St Mary's Toddler Group (Hall)
S 13 1830 for 1900 Spring Dinner 'Put out the Flags'

S 14 EASTER 6 - Rogation Sunday

- 0800 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
0930 Jesus and Me (JAM) (Hall then Church)
0930 Sung Holy Communion
1115 Choral Mattins
T 16 1000 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)

Th 18 ASCENSION DAY

- 1000 St Mary's Toddler Group (Hall)
1445 Bereavement Café
S 20 1000-1200 Spring Market (Hall)
1930 Mark Dancer on the 'Father' Willis organ

S 21 EASTER 7

- 0800 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
0930 Jesus and Me (JAM) (Hall then Church)
0930 Sung Holy Communion
1100 APCM
1730 Choral Evensong
T 23 1000 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
W 24 2000 Quiz on Zoom
Th 25 1000 St Mary's Toddler Group (Hall)

S 28 PENTECOST (Whit Sunday)

- 0800 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)
0930 Sung Holy Communion
1115 Holy Baptism
T 30 1000 Said Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)

WORDS AT THE START OF A SERVICE

At a local church the Vicar was having some technical problems and right at the start of the service he began with "There is something wrong with my microphone". The congregation responded "and also with you".



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