

St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet

Sunday 14th May 2023 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Worship & Prayer in church & online for Sunday and the coming week
Holy communion will be distributed at Communion Rail with 'Priest intinction'

In Church Worship

Sunday 14th May 2023 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

9.00am at St Luke's - Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary's - All Age Worship

Acts 17.22-31 & John 14.15-21

All readings are taken from New Version – UK edition



Every Wednesday 10am - Holy Communion
at St Mary's followed by refreshments

Ascension Day - Thursday 18th May at 7pm

Holy Communion Service at St Mary's

Acts 1.1-11 & Luke 24.44-53

Next Sunday 21st May 2023 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

9.00am at St Luke's – Morning Prayer

10.40am at St Mary's - All Age Holy Communion

Acts 1.6-14 & John 17.1-11

All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

Online Worship

The 10:40am service is streamed from St Mary's each Sunday

[YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1](https://www.youtube.com/StMarysWistaston1) & Facebook: bit.ly/facebookstmarys

You can also join in by phone: just before 10:40am Call: 0203 051 2874

Meeting ID: 838 7878 9259 Participant ID (if asked): # Passcode: 567119

Morning Prayer

on Zoom bit.ly/930mp, 9:30am Tuesday & Thursday this week



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First Reading: Acts 17.22-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: ‘People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship – and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

‘The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. “For in him we live and move and have our being.” As some of your own poets have said, “We are his offspring.”

‘Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone – an image made by human design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.’

This the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

It’s Christian Aid Week: 14-20 May 2023

Thanks to those who have offered to deliver/collect envelopes this year around the local area.

If you would like to give via our E-Envelope this year, then please click here: bit.ly/caw2023stmarys or scan the QR Code

We need help to count the envelopes on Sunday 21 May, if you can help, please join us at the Rectory at 5pm, it should take no more than an hour.



Scan to give



Gospel Reading: John 14.15-21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you O Lord.

If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[a] in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

The Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

News & Information

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It's Rachael Rivers final Sunday with today. I'm sure you will join with me in thanking Rachael for her ministry amongst us during her placement. Our best wishes go with her as she completes her Reader Training and is licenced next year to serve as a Reader. Revd Mike.

Thanks to all those who helped us, in so many different ways, to celebrate the Coronation at both of our churches, especially to those who decorated our churches with flowers and bunting.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) is next Sunday 21 May 2023 at 12 noon in St Mary's Church followed by a Bring and Share in the Church Hall.

The Trustees' Report & Financial Statement 2022 is available at both churches and online via the link below. The APCM is open to anyone on the church's Electoral Roll. At the APCM we will be electing 2 Church Wardens, 5 Members to the PCC and 4 Deanery Synod Members. The Revision of the Electoral Roll was completed on 30 April. Nomination forms for are available at both churches and can be found bit.ly/apcminfo

Morning Prayer continues on Zoom, from this week, we will usually meet on a Tuesday & Thursday at 9:30am. Click bit.ly/930mp Check the online Church diary for weekly variation here bit.ly/stmcal

The Knife Angel is in Crewe until 30 May. More info: bit.ly/knifeangelcrewe It is located in Memorial Square, well worth a visit.

The Tuesday Bible study group will next meet on the 16th May at 10.15am. The monthly Prayer group on Thursday 1st June at 7pm. Both groups meet at 56 Bowness Rd. All welcome. Thank you, Jenny V.

The Ladies Afternoon Group -We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on 25th May when Nim Devi will be giving us a demonstration on "Simple Indian Cookery". Thank you, Frances.

Help support St Mary's by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. Raise donations whenever you shop online over 7,000 brands incl John Lewis, eBay, Argos, M&S & more. Once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it! Sign up today - it will make a BIG difference to us this year: bit.ly/stmaryseasyfundraising

Psalm 27 Garden at RHS Tatton Park (July 19-23). The Bible Society are sponsoring Ollie Pike (aged 24) to create a garden based on a Psalm 27 Garden at RHS Tatton Park Here's a link to the web page: bit.ly/psalm27garden Tickets are less than £30 for a wonderful day out: bit.ly/tattontickets

Prayer for Ukraine Blog: bit.ly/weprayforukraine