

*St Mary's  
& St Luke's  
Wistaston & Willaston*

# Weekly Information Sheet

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### Pentecost Sunday



*Holy Communion is distributed as follows: to receive a wafer dipped in the wine, hold out two hands, or you can receive a wafer only, or a wafer and the Chalice, by holding out one hand. Hands by your side for a blessing. Please let a Sidesperson know if you need to have **communion brought to you in the pew.***

**Gluten Free** wafers are available at Communion.

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Pentecost Sunday

9am at St Luke`s – Morning Prayer

10.40am at St Mary`s – All Age Holy Communion

*Acts 2.1-21 & John 15.26-27:16.4b-15*

**Wednesday - 10am Holy Communion at St Mary`s  
followed by Refreshments**

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Trinity Sunday

9am at St Luke`s – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary`s – All Age Worship

*Romans 8.12-17 & John 3.1-17*



There is a Loop System installed in both of our churches.

At St Mary`s we have an accessible toilet available in the Choir Vestry (the door opposite where you came in) with baby changing facilities.

At St Luke`s there is an accessible toilet available via the church porch.

There is a Defibrillator at both churches – see the signs in the porch for the location

To help us to cut down on paper use and printing why not download Service Orders using the QR code or at [bit.ly/serviceorders](https://bit.ly/serviceorders)

This Weekly Sheet can be viewed online at [stmaryswistaston.blog](https://stmaryswistaston.blog)

### Online Worship

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

[YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1](https://YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1) & Facebook: [bit.ly/facebookstmarys](https://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](https://bit.ly/930mp)

9:30am Tuesday & Thursday this week

## First Reading: Acts 2.1-21

### A reading from the Book of Acts

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, 'What does this mean?'

Some, however, made fun of them and said, 'They have had too much wine.'

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions,  
your old men will dream dreams.

Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below,  
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood  
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading: John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

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

**Glory to you O Lord.**

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father – the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father – he will testify about me. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, “Where are you going?” Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

‘I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

### Post Communion

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### The Collect

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## News & Information

**Christian Aid Week is 12–18 May:** Thanks for all the support from our collectors this week. If you have an hour to spare on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> to help count, please come to the Rectory for 6pm. You can still give if you would like to in the following ways:

- ❖ complete an envelope available at both churches
- ❖ Scan the QR code give securely online via our e-envelope or go to: [bit.ly/caw2024stmarys](https://bit.ly/caw2024stmarys)



**On the Sunday 2 June Bishop Sam, the Bishop of Stockport,** will be joining us at St Mary's at 10:40am. During his visit he will be receiving Rachael Rivers into the Communion of the Church of England. This is required before she is licensed as a Reader at Chester Cathedral on Saturday 12 October. Do come and meet Bishop Sam and support Rachael. **There will not be a service at St Luke's on 2 June.**

**Diary Date - Saturday 9.30am- 1st June.** We are planning a working party to Spring Clean St Mary's church and the Choir Vestry in preparation for the Bishop's visit on the Sunday. We'll do the jobs which need doing, dependent on how many turn up to help! We will provide refreshments. Thanks in advance.

**Ladies Afternoon Group:** Our next meeting is on May 23rd, when Jeremy Herbert will be talking on Sustainable Nantwich. **We still have spaces for our trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on July 11th.** MEN do not be put off, this trip although it is Ladies Afternoon Group is open to all!! Please see Pam or myself if you would like to join us. Looking forward to seeing you later on this month. Frances.

**Men's Group - 7.30pm Friday 7 June.** Please join us at the Leopard [London Road, Nantwich] for beer [non-alcoholic options are available] afterwards we will go for an Indian or Thai meal [or we could eat in the Leopard]. Open to all men over 18. Feel free to bring male family & friends. No need to RSVP – see you there! Howard

**Rose Queen News!** We are pleased to announce that our Rose Queen (RQ) for 2024/25 will be Lucia Kemp and her attendant will be Cerys McKeown. Our RQ Sunday is on 9 June at St Mary's when our current RQ, Sophie, will let us know about her year as RQ and Lucia will make her RQ Promise ahead of the Wistaston Village Fete on Saturday 15 June when she will be crowned. For her stall at the Fete Lucia is asking for unwanted teddies, they can be dropped into church or the office. She will be raising money for Cancer Research.

**The St Mary's May & June Rota is in the porch.** If you would like to join the Rota, but are not sure about it, please speak to Rachael or Mike.

**St Mary's Cleaning Rota** is in the porch of the church.

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