

NOTICES

Christ Church Songs of Praise



Afternoon Tea



Sunday 26th May 4pm

Tickets £5 (please see David or Bob)

Come along and sing your favourite hymns and enjoy a traditional afternoon tea. A list is located at the back of church for you to vote for your favourites.

St Mary's Fifty Club



Just a reminder that this great fund raiser has started ...

...so please consider giving just £1 per week for fifty weeks to help us raise much needed funds for our Church. Please see Sandra Blackham who will happily collect your money.

Thank you.

Tote numbers

24 Mar - 13 and 30 - 1 winner 31 Mar - 8 and 9 - 3 winners

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3rd Sunday of Easter

Prayer for the Day

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Zephaniah 3.14-end

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

The Epistle:

Acts 3.12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

The Gospel for the Day

Luke 24.36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'

Post Communion Prayer

**Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.**

In Our Prayers at this time

'For those who are unwell'



Robert Jones,
Duncan Winterborn,
Ruth Gibbons, Michael Morgan,
Chloe Cox, Chris, Cath Bell,
Roy, George, Marcus,

Chris Fellows, Lincoln, Julie, Pauline
Bailey, Cynthia Griffin, Irene Padmore,
Barrie & Jackie Silk. Rob Jones,
Pippa Axtell, Kitt Simpson, Iris Turley,
Patricia Grinnell, Mark, Elaine Watkins,
Lynne Jeavons, Mary Wright, Sarah Evans,
Raymond Stanaway, Yvonne Fellows,
Kathleen Lawrance, Kim Ashley,
Beresford Robinson, Lucas, Tracey and
Celia, Edna Price, Gladys Rushton,
Charlie Middleton

'The recently departed'

Michael Whitehouse, Kathleen Hume,
Dave Cartwright, Ronald John Webley,
Susan May Sobratee, Alan Perry,
Maureen Groucutt, David Tedstone

'Our past loved ones'

Christ Church:

Craig Andrew Tudor, Edna Mason,
George Riley, Henry James Lloyd,
Patricia Ann Jordan, Joseph Smith,
Sarah Lucas

St Mary's:

Thomas William Ferguson, Barbara Clarke,
Sarah Jane Johnson, Mary Harrison,
Sarah Mirian Skilbeck, James South,
Wilfred Bryan, Amelia Leith,
Addie Bennett, John Garner,
Deborah Louise Kyte, Wilfred Fullard,
Elsie Beatrice King, Margaret Johnson,
Horace George Smith,
Geoffrey Woodhouse Grainger,
John Tighe

'For those being baptised at St Mary's'

Lennie George Mark Vale



For your diary

- * **Tue 16th Apr**
7.15pm: CC Ringing practice
- * **Wednesday 17th Apr**
1.00pm CC Funeral
6.30pm: CC Choir Practice
- * **Thursday 18th Apr**
9.30am-2.30pm: CC Church
Trust Choir Event
7.45pm: CC Ringing practice

Looking further ahead:-

Sunday 21st Apr

Parish mass

10am: **Christ Church**

10am: **St Mary's**

12pm: **Baptism St Mary's**

Sunday 28th Apr

Joint Parish mass

10am: **St Mary's**

12pm: **Baptism Christ Church**