

## 12th May 2024: Seventh Sunday of Easter

A warm welcome to our worship services today.

If you are new or visiting today, please make yourselves known to the clergy, churchwardens or sides people.

## **SERVICES TODAY:**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)10.00am Holy Communion6.30pm Evensong

### 10am Service

**Reader:** Gwen Zanzottera Intercessor: Hilary Capron Hymns: 137, 428, 12, 332 during Communion 436, 716 & 212

The Listening & Prayer Team are available after the 10am Service

## 6.30pm Evensong

**Reader:** Margaret Cox **Reading:** Isa. 61 **Hymns:** 140 (omit v2), 141, 142 (omit vs 2&4) & 238

### INTRODUCTION

Chapters 13-17 of John's Gospel are an extended body of teaching as Jesus prepares the disciples for life after his death and resurrection. In chapter 17 we are reminded once again that God is a God who sends: the Father has sent the Son into the world, and the Son now sends the disciples (John 17.18). The purpose of the Son being sent into the world was to 'dwell among' (John 1.14) or to 'be with' us. That 'being with' is continued through the disciples' ministry and, by extension, through each of us, called to 'be with' others in Christ's name.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For those in need of our prayers: Jill & Simon Yarwood, Penny Rayner, Daphne Lowther, Dorothy Unitt, Peter, Ruth, The Henbest family, Luke, Michelle, Mia & Reece, Sarah Edwards, Geoff McLoghry, Melinda, Denise Kelly, Kate Snowden, John Livingston, Paul Woolner, Ann Kinchin & Pat Wade.

For those who have recently died: Sheila Godfrey.

Year's Mind: Michael Reddington.

**Please pray for the residents of:** Montgomery Close, Mount Crescent, Mountbatten Close, Otters Holt and Packhorse Road.

## **SERVICES THIS WEEK**

Holy Communion: Tuesday at 7.30pm & Thursday at 10am.

Next Sunday, 19th May 2024: Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Holy Communion

11.30am APCM

5.30pm Atrium Café

#### **NOTICES**

# The Charity Giving this week will be for Christian Aid.

**TODAY**: Fairtrade Stall in the hall after the 10am service.

**Mothers' Union** meets tomorrow at 2pm, Monday 13<sup>th</sup>, when we shall welcome Rev John and Mrs Elizabeth Horton. Behind the Wire is the title of the book they have created from war time letters found following the death of John's parents and we look forward to hearing excerpts from it and the story behind it. Visitors most welcome.

**Coffee morning**: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 10am – 12 noon.

The Romans Course is a ten-session programme from The Bible Society which helps you explore Paul's letter to the Romans - arguably the most important single letter ever written and one that has changed countless lives, from St. Augustine to Martin Luther, John Wesley and David Suchet! Each session includes a video talk by Dr. Andrew Ollerton as well as discussion of the relevant passages of Romans. It will be both exciting and challenging, tackling the big themes found in the book of Romans which are key to understanding the Christian faith and growing in relationship with God through Jesus our Lord. The Wednesday afternoon Bible Group will be starting The Romans Course on 15th May and we'd love you to join us. Contact Nick or Alex Cutler nickcutler59@gmail.com

**Prayer Shawl Meeting:** Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2pm at 2 Bell lane.

Atrium Café: Sunday, 19th May at 5.30pm in the Parish Centre.

**Annual Parish Church Meeting**: Sunday, 19th May after the 10am service. Any questions for the APCM need to be submitted to David Millington **by Friday, 17**<sup>th</sup> **May.** Please note **no** questions will be taken on the day.

**Contemplative Prayer Group**: Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 2pm.

**Chocolate BINGO!** – Friday, 31st May at 7pm, raising funds for Church. Tickets: Adults £10, Under 16s £2.50. Includes bingo card, chocolate counters, hot dog, chocolate dessert. Tickets available at church coffee mornings, after 10am service or by calling 07921 774404. Booking essential. More details in May Searchlight.

Bank Holiday Monday : 27<sup>th</sup> May – office closed. Revd Craig on holiday: 25<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June

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