

## Notices

### **“Thy Kingdom Come” 25<sup>th</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June 10am-5pm**

St Mary's is joining in with this national prayer initiative for the days from Ascension Day to Pentecost Sunday to pray for the renewing and empowering presence of the Holy Spirit to 'make Christ real in our midst'. 'Thy Kingdom Come' will give people time and space outside their normal worshipping patterns to come closer to God. In St. Mary's we are focusing on two initiatives:

**The Lord's Prayer – prayer stations.** There will be seven interactive prayer stations covering the Lord's Prayer where you can just sit and focus on one phrase at a time, or experience the suggested activity if it helps you to pray.

**“Pray for Five”** Commit yourself to praying for five friends or family that you would like to help know Jesus. Use a piece of leather provided and tie five knots in it to represent each of the five people you have committed to pray for. You could carry the knotted string in your pocket, tie it round your wrist or place it somewhere that you'll see it regularly. Use the knots to remind you to pray for each person on your list of five. There will be a card available with a prayer to help.

#### **Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come**

*Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world*

*To preach the good news of your kingdom;*

*Inspire us with your Spirit, and fill our hearts with the fire of your love,*

*That all who hear your Word may be drawn to you,*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

For more information go to [www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global)

**Rotas** The coffee and duty rota can currently be found on the cupboard doors in the kitchen whilst there is no noticeboard.

#### **Plates and cake tins**

A number of plates, cake tins etc have been left in church following the teas in church. Please could you collect any that belong to you before they are recycled. Many thanks.

St Mary's Church, Charlbury with  
All Saints Church, Shorthampton

# *The Messenger*

*28<sup>th</sup> May 2017*

*Welcome*

*Sunday after Ascension*

Risen, ascended Lord, as  
we rejoice at your  
triumph, fill your church  
on earth with power and  
compassion, that all who  
are estranged by sin may  
find forgiveness and  
know your peace, to the  
glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**



If you are new to our church please take a welcome leaflet  
which you will find by the door.

Please stay for refreshments after the service.

**Large print service books and sheets available.**

There is a loop system in our church.

*Please ask before the service if you need a gluten free  
communion wafer.*

## Services

### Services today

8am Holy Communion  
9.45am Parish Communion

### Services on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June Pentecost

8am Holy Communion  
9.45am Parish Communion  
6pm Evening Prayer

### Weekday services:

Every Wednesday 9am Holy Communion

## This Week's Diary

### Other events and meetings:

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
10am Font Café  
12.30pm Jesus Prayer in Charlbury

## Prayer for the Week

### Praying for the Parish

The Police

### Praying for those being baptised

11<sup>th</sup> June – Jacob Hutchings  
18<sup>th</sup> June – Lucas Williams

### Praying for the monthly cause

Christian Aid and its work in tackling the causes of poverty

### Praying for the Deanery

St Nicholas Heythrop. Please pray for Ginny Thomas and the Church Warden John Sword.

### Daily Prayer

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/join-us-in-daily-prayer.aspx>

**The prayer team is usually available under the tower after the Parish Eucharist. We offer prayer with careful, confidential listening.**

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