

Benefice of Christ Church and St Mary's, Frome

Diocese of Bath and Wells

# Sixth Sunday of Easter – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) at Christ Church10.30am Parish Eucharist St Mary's6.00pm Choral Evensong at Christ Church

Next Week: 9.00am Parish Eucharist at St. Marys 10.30am Parish Eucharist at Christ Church 12.30pm Baptism at Christ Church

#### **Prayers:**

**RIP:** Steve Legge, Shirley Wheeler, Jean Corben, Becca Chivers, Diana Macdonald

**Sick:** Judy Kirkham, Alan Charlesworth, Suzanne, Arthur, David Fielden, Reg Garrett. Koji Saki, Jean Boucher, Jonathon Aburrow

Years Mind for May: Esther Jane Edmonds, Beatrice Farnish, Barrie Hewitt, Dennis Jefferies, Reginald Taylor, William Walls, Connie Gurattidge, John Watson, Bryan Chapman, Paul Francis, Molly Parmakis, Arthur Maxted

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## The Week Ahead

Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am Staff Meeting at Lottes
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am Holy Communion at St Mary's
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm Ascension Eucharist at Christ Church
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm Bereavement Journey at St. Mary's Hall
	4.00pm Scallop Shells at Christ Church
	5.15pm Choir Practice at Christ Church

## 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.

## First Reading: Acts 10 44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

## Psalm 98 – Christ Church

O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.

- With his own right hand and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
- The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
- He hath remembered his mercy and truth, toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord all ye lands: sing rejoice and give thanks.
- Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
- With trumpets also and shawms: o shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.
- Let the sea make noise, and all that therein is: the round world and they that dwell therein.
- Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.

## Second Reading: 1 John 5 1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

## Gospel: John 15 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

## **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.

#### **Notices**

Help needed: Can you offer transport to a lady at Longleat Court who would like to attend services at Christ Church? Speak to Revd Liz

Spring Fair at St Mary's Saturday May 11th Our Spring Fair is fast approaching. Please start bringing donations of goodies to sell. The usual lovely things: Plants and garden related items Raffle and Tombola prizes, jewellery, fashion accessories, toys, books, bric a brac cakes and preserves Collection boxes at the back of church and sign up sheet in the hall

#### Christian Aid Week begins on May 12th.

There will be collectors in the precinct during this week. If anyone can help please contact Jean Fraser on jeanvobe@gmail.com or speak to churchwardens after the service

#### New Sound System at Christ Church

After a long process we now have a new and improved sound system installed at Christ Church, which will enhance the worship experience for all of us. This has cost a significant amount of money and if any members of our congregation would like to make a donation to contribute towards the cost of installation this would be very welcome. Please talk to either Rev Liz, Peter or Alan.

**Saturday 18 May at 3pm Trio Con Brio** play one hour of piano, violin and cello trios by Haydn and Beethoven. Free admission. Tea and homemade cakes. Retiring collection for the Church Roof!

#### Saturday 25 May at 4pm. Organ Recital by Stephen Binnington.

40 minutes of music. J S Bach, Prelude& Fugue in F minor; Stanford, Old Irish Melody; Maria Theresa von Paradis, Sicilienne and more. Free admission. Tea and homemade cakes. Retiring collection helping church funds!