

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	23 rd	2000 PCC Meeting 2100 Online Compline
Tuesday	24 th	1000 Baby Group 1930 Said Eucharist
Wednesday	25 th	1000 Toddletime Playgroup 1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday Ascension	26 th	1200 Thursday Lunches 2000 Sung Eucharist - Ascension Day 2100 Online Compline
Friday	27 th	
Saturday	28 th	
Sunday	29 th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

Having successfully completed their 6 months of initial training, we admit Erin Burke, Matthew Viney, Daniel Roberts, Henry Taunton and Maisie Coe as full members of the choir this morning.

Our warmest congratulations to Rev'd Liz Lavelle:

Liz has been appointed Priest-in-Charge in the benefice of Dunton, Wrestlingworth and Eyeworth in Bedfordshire.

She will be licensed, by the Bishop of Bedford, at the end of July.

Note: Half-term week starts on 30th May and the Platinum Jubilee bank holidays fall on Thur & Fri; 2nd (no Thur Lunches) & 3rd July.

News

Sunday 5th June:

10am Pentecost Sunday - Family Communion Service followed by **11am Platinum Jubilee Bring Your Own Picnic Lunch & Celebrations**

More details on the porch noticeboard.

Saturday 18th June: Summer

Fete from 12 noon to 3pm with BBQ, Pimms, Raffle, Bottle Tombola, Crafts & Activities, Cream Teas, Raffle, etc.

We need volunteers to sign up for the slots on the stalls as soon as the lists are displayed in the porch.

Please sign up to donate hamper contents for the Raffle or other high value prizes eg; electrical/electronic goods, gift vouchers (restaurants, shops or leisure) etc. **Can you DONATE? RAFFLE:** hamper food & drink, **BOTTLE Tombola:** alcohol, drinkables or toiletries but not household cleaning products (please) - These items can be dropped off at the back of church from now onwards.

Homemade **CAKES** (large or small)

Homemade **SCONES**

10 GAZEBOS on loan - these last 3 type of items are to be dropped off in church by Friday, 17th June.

Welcome

Sunday 22nd May 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Services Today

8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - All are welcome.

Youth & Children's Church (YACC)

Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1 & 2, 3 & 4 - Hall

(Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)

Years 5 to 7 - Song School

Year 8 upwards in the Cellar

Congregational setting: Archer

Hymns: 143 449 767 400

Choir: Darke - Collegium Regale

Mudd - Let thy merciful ears O Lord

10:45am

Joint Interment of Ashes— Derek and Jackie Glendinning

6pm

CHORAL EVENSONG

Choir: *Introit* Hurford - Litany to the Holy Spirit *Responses* Reading

Psalms 18 verses 1-15 *Canticles* Howells Collegium Regale

Anthem Faure Requiem - Sanctus

Hymns 148 163

Music

Dismissal Naylor Ferial

This week we pray for all who live and work in Fretherne Road and Flats.

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Sunday 22 May 2022
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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.

Acts 16: 9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.

On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.

A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.

When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.'

And she prevailed upon us.

Revelation 21: 10, 22 - 22: 5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there.

People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations.

But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

John 14: 23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

You heard me say to you, *I am going away, and I am coming to you*. If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I.

And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'

Thursday 26 May 2022 Ascension Day Service @8pm

Next Readings: Acts: 16: 16-34; Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17: 20-26