

The United Benefice of Henley-on-Thames with Remenham
THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN
Registered Charity

The Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ Rogation Sunday
May 26th 2019

Welcome to this ancient Parish Church. If you are a visitor or a new member of the congregation, you will find the order of service in the booklets. The hymns are not announced - they can be found on this sheet. The crèche is available throughout the service for toddlers and parents; Junior Church also takes place in the Chantry House. Tea & coffee are served in the Chantry House after the service: please join us and make yourself known.

Entrance Hymn: 262 We plough the fields, and scatter

The Opening Prayer:

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading: 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.

The Conversion of Lydia

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.

The Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67

R/ Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.

God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
That your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

R/

O let the nations rejoice and be glad,
for you will judge the peoples righteously
and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

R/

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, our own God, will bless us.
God will bless us,
and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

R/

The Gospel Reading: John 14:23-29

Jesus answered him, '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.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory Hymn: **285** For the beauty of the earth

The Communion Hymn: **115** Now the green blade riseth

The Anthem:

Ave verum Corpus,
Natum ex Maria Virgine,
Vere passum, immolatum
In cruce pro homine,
Cujus latus perforatum
Unda fluxit sanguine:
Esto nobis praegustatum
In mortis examine.
O dulcis, O pie!
O Jesu Fili Mariae. Amen.

Ave verum *Edward Elgar*
Hail, real body,
born of the Virgin Mary,
who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
whose pierced side
flowed with water and blood;
be unto us the foretaste
in the trial of death.
O gentle, O holy one!
O Jesu, Son of Mary. Amen

The Final Hymn: **120** Thine be the glory

Organ Voluntary: At Eastertide Charles V Stanford

Today's Sung Eucharist:

Sidesmen	Jim Hurst and Rebecca Hindle
Lesson	Kathryn Turner
Intercessions	Sue Hockley
Servers	Sheila Croton and Norman Topsom
Acolytes	Sue Hockley and Peter Fernandez
Chalice	Gill Aitchison and Sue Hockley
Coffee	George and Sheila Constantinidi

Please replace the kneelers on your pew before leaving. Thank you!

Please pray for

The church:

*All members of the Anglican Communion around the world
The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby,
and all primates and bishops*

Members of the Anglican Consultative Council

The Secretary General, The Most Revd Dr Josiah Idowu-Fearon,

The staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and the UN offices in Geneva and New York

Our Bishops:

Bishop Colin confirming at Abingdon on Thames

The sick:

Nicola, Neil, Helen, Stella, Maria, Henry, Mark, Gill, Kathleen, Richard, Eddie

The departed:

Anne Taylor

Those whose year's minds falls this week:

*Anthony Griffiths (26), Roy Edwards (28), Freda Robinson (29),
Cheryl Matschy, Betty Nichol (30)*

Today

2.00pm-5.00pm Chantry House Teas (CH)

This Week

Mon 27 Chantry House Teas (CH) 2.00pm-5.00pm
Tues 28 Memorial Service for Anne Taylor 1.00pm (SM)
Archdeacons Visitation 7.30pm (Dorchester Abbey)
Wed 29 Babies And Toddlers Session 10.00am (SM)
Thurs 30 Ascension Day Eucharist 10.00am (SM)
Choir Practice 8.00pm (SM)
Fri 31 The Visit of the Praying Together 9.30am (CH) Eucharist 12noon (SM)
Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth
Sat 2

Sunday June 2 ~ The Sunday after Ascension Day

8.00am Eucharist (SM)
9.30am Sung Eucharist & Baptism, Junior Church & Creche (SM)
11.15am Holy Communion with Hymns (BCP) (SN)
12.30pm Baptism (SN)
2.00pm-5.00pm Chantry House Teas (CH)

Notices for the week beginning 26 May

Fr Jeremy is on holiday this week. We welcome Fr Colin Bass to St Mary's.

The next parish breakfast will be on Sunday June 9 at 8.35am in the Chantry House.

Volunteers are needed please to help set up the chairs and tables for Chantry House teas. Please speak to Sue or Robin or contact the parish office if you can help.

Parking - please can you consider carefully if you really need to park outside church on a Sunday. Space is limited and is for those who find it hard to walk from the carpark. Thank you.

New weekly Babies And Toddlers Sessions are on Wednesdays at 10.00am at St Mary's. Enjoy playing, singing and stories. Refreshments provided. No entrance fee, approx. 1 hour.

Chantry House Teas have started for the summer. Leaders and helpers are needed please for every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday afternoon, 2.00-5.00pm. Please sign up on the rota on the noticeboard in the Chantry House. It is good fun and all are welcome.

The Henley Food Bank Box can be found by the crèche. Please bring donations on Sunday mornings - toiletry items, tinned veg, tinned fruit, savoury biscuits, tinned meat, long lasting milk, cereal, crisps, biscuits, squash, pasta sauce.

Queen Anne's School presents Chamber and Consort Choir Concert at St Nicholas Remenham on Thursday 13 June at 7.30pm. Open to all, retiring collection for church funds.

The Acorn Singers will be giving a concert, 'Ring of Bright Waters - The music of rivers and seas', in St Mary's on Friday 14 June at 12.30pm. Retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Church choir funds. The members of The Acorn Singers sing with church choirs in Oxfordshire and Berkshire and also perform with several choral groups including the Reading Bach Choir and Herald Singers.

***Parish Office ~ Mon, Tues 9.30am-12.30pm : Wed, Fri, 9.30am-4.30pm
tel: 577340 email: office.hwr@lineone.net rector.hwr@btinternet.com
Fr Jeremy is always happy to talk to parishioners about any subject, please call the parish
office to make an appointment. Saturday is the his day off and Friday is his study day. Fr
Jeremy would appreciate being spared calls on these days except in an emergency.***