

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

The Sunday after Ascension Day
June 2 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: 130 Hail the day that sees him rise

The Opening Prayer:

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
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 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 97

R/ The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice.
 The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice;
 let the multitude of the isles be glad.
 Clouds and darkness are round about him;
 righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne. **R/**

Fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side.
 His lightnings lit up the world; the earth saw it and trembled.
 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,
 at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. **R/**

The heavens declared his righteousness,
 and all the peoples have seen his glory.
 Confounded be all who worship carved images
 and delight in mere idols.
 Bow down before him, all you gods. **R/**

Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced,
 because of your judgements, O Lord.
 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth;
 you are exalted far above all gods. **R/**

The Lord loves those who hate evil;
 he preserves the lives of his faithful
 and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. **R/**

Light has sprung up for the righteous
 and joy for the true of heart.
 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
 and give thanks to his holy name. **R/**

The Gospel Reading: John 17:20-end

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory Hymn: **134** The head that once was crowned

The Communion Hymn: **278** Christ be with me

The Anthem: King of all ages, throned on high *Paul Isom*

The Final Hymn: **237** Morning has broken

Organ Voluntary: Ricercare: Llanfair *David Briggs*

Today's Sung Eucharist:

Sidesmen	Clive and Inez Hemsley
Lesson	Dave Croton
Intercessions	Joan Edwards
Servers	Sue Hockley, Sheila Croton and Louis Bell
Acolytes	Peter Fernandez and Tania Tindall
Chalice	Jim Hurst and Stuart Crippen
Coffee	Jacqui Pritchard and Sarah Bell

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

Today

12.30pm Baptism (SM)
2.00pm-5.00pm Chantry House Teas (CH)

This Week

Mon 3	
Tues 4	Julian Group 7.45pm for 8.00pm (Forge Cottage, Hart St)
Wed 5	Babies And Toddlers Session 10.00am (SM) BATS Eucharist 11.00am (SM) Memorial Service for James Cole 1.00pm (SM) Aliquando Choir Practice 7.15pm (SM)
Thurs 6	Eucharist 10.00am (SM) Choir Practice 7.15pm (SM)
Fri 7	Praying Together 9.30am (CH) Bible Study 10.15am (CH) Eucharist 12noon (SM) Wedding 2.00pm (SN)
Sat 8	

Morning Prayer will be said at 9am and Evening Prayer usually at 5pm at St Mary's on weekdays

Sunday June 9 ~ Pentecost

8.00am Eucharist (SM)
8.35am Parish breakfast (CH)
9.30am Sung Eucharist, Junior Church & Creche (SM)
11.15am Holy Communion with Hymns (BCP) (SN)
Preacher Julie Jones, the diocesan parish giving advisor
2.00pm-5.00pm Chantry House Teas (CH)
6.00pm Youth Club (CH)

***Please pray for
The church:***

*La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
The Most Revd Francisco Moreno - Presiding Bishop of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico & Bishop of Northern Mexico*

The sick:

Nicola, Neil, Helen, Stella, Maria, Henry, Gill, Richard, Eddie, Melanie

Those whose year's minds falls this week:

*Tom May, John Glossop (2), John Williams (5),
Frederick Horsley, Roy d'Archambaud (7)*

Those to be baptised today:

Teddy Farrer, Ruby Riches, Kitty Riches, Autumn Riches

Those to be married this week:

Stephen Pain & Nicolle Laurie

Notices for the week beginning 2 June

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.

Julie Jones, the Diocesan Parish Giving Advisor, will be visiting St Mary's to preach at 9.30am on 23 June. The service will be followed by a meeting open to all parishioners to discuss parish giving.

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
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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.