

Prayer meeting

Every Monday we have a prayer meeting (at the moment by zoom) where we pray for the needs of our parish and the wider world. If you would like to join in please speak to Timothy N or Rev Ian.

We also have a **WhatsApp** prayer group - please contact Rev Ian for details.

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear, that you would hold and
protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Pastoral Visiting

If anyone would like the opportunity for a slightly longer chat than time affords after a church service please feel free to contact me. Thank you. Ian

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My Notes

Collect for the week

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

Mission Partners



We pray for the work of the Church Mission Society and their ministry in supporting people at the edges and introducing them to the love of Jesus.

15th May 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

10.30am Communion Service

Welcome and notices

Opening words (*page 1*)

Hymn: As we are gathered (*41*)

Confession (*pages 2-4*)

Collect

Readings: Revelation 21:1-8

Hymn: A new commandment (*34*)

Gospel reading: John 13:31-35

Sermon

Apostles Creed (*page 44*)

Prayers

The Peace

Hymn: Rock of ages (*569*)

Communion Prayer H (*page 38*)

The Lord's Prayer (*page 12*)

Share Communion

Post Communion prayer (*page 16*)

Hymn: Let us build a house (*383*)

Blessing and Dismissal (*page 17*)

Large print service books are available.

If you have a word, vision or story you want to share with us please speak to a Ian or one of the wardens before the service. If you need assistance with large-print books or the auditory loop please let us know.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Monday 16th May:

10:30am Prayer meeting via Zoom

Tuesday 17th May:

1:15pm Stay and Play

Wednesday 18th May:

1:00pm Place of Welcome

Thursday 19th May:

7:30pm The Bible Course study group at the vicarage

Sunday 22nd May:

8:00am Communion Service

10:30am Service of the word



Our next Messy Church will meet on 5th of June and will be a **Right Royal Messy Church** where we will think about the Queen's Jubilee and what it looks like to have a Godly reign. Please see the additional notice in this sheet

Help is needed to supervise crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It is an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this project, please see Ian.



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

HELP NEEDED

As many of you will know, Pat and Roger have provided sterling support in helping cater for Places of Welcome, along with Ian and Linda. However, as I am also sure many of you are aware, Pat and Roger hope to be moving within the next couple of months. Is there anyone willing to help cater for PoW? At present it involves making and serving soup, rolls, biscuits/cakes and drinks. The dishwasher is available for the cleaning duties!! I am sure Pat, Roger, Ian or Linda will be happy to talk things through with people, as will Rev Ian.



My Fair Lady is coming to the London Coliseum and it has been suggested that some folk might like to go as a party to see it. Please let Jenny B know if you are interested.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::

- ◆ Tinned fruit and veg
- ◆ Fruit juice
- ◆ Long life milk
- ◆ Ready made custard
- ◆ Dried noodles
- ◆ Jam
- ◆ Canned meat products
- ◆ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant



Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Ken P, Brenda P, Maureen B, Beatrice G, Doreen B, Emma and Ollie, Brenda M and her nephew Philip, Thelma, and George and Marie B.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Susan A and Maureen A. We also pray for all those who live or work, on or have cause to travel along Ramillies Road, Rochester Close and Rowley Avenue.



Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

On Sunday 5th of June, between 3:00pm and 5:00pm, we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service. We hope it will be a combined event drawing together our church worshipping community, our Messy Church community, and those who come to both Stay and Play and Place of Welcome.

There will be games, crafts, food (including a 'posh' afternoon tea) perhaps the odd song too! Please feel free to dress up if you wish to (it is not obligatory!!) and if anyone has any ideas to help us celebrate please get in touch. We also hope to have a display of 70 years at St. James - if you have anything to contribute please let us know.

It would be really helpful to know how many people intend coming to this event and if you have any food allergies, if only so we can cater accordingly. Please let Rev Ian know if you will be there!, or use the sign-up sheets in church. Thank you,