

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM
Sunday 17th May 2015
Sunday after Ascension

Welcome to all - especially visitors and newcomers.

Collect For Today

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.

10.00 am Holy Communion

Reverend I Morrison

Readings: Ezekiel 36 v 24-28
Acts 1 v 5-1, 21-end
John 17 v 6-19
Psalm: 1

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE
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Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

8.00 am Holy Communion

The Dean

9.30am Holy Communion

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Readings: Acts 1: 15-17 and 21-end (p.1092)
John 17: 6-20 (p.1085)

Hymns: 130, 134, 486, 332 and 495 (*New English Hymnal*)

*After the service all are warmly invited for refreshments in the adjoining **Benedicta Whistler Centre***

11.00 am Modern Service

The Dean

Join us for this relaxed and less formal time of worship for all ages. All words for the service, including both Bible readings and songs, will be displayed on the screen.

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Mr Stuart Robertson

Readings: Isaiah 61 v 1-7 (p.748)
Luke 4 v 14-21 (p.1031)

Psalm: 147 v 1-12 (p.632)

Hymns: 133, 443, 134 and 130 (*New English Hymnal*)

Early Morning Prayer

Every weekday morning at **8.00am** in St Catherine's Chapel.

Midweek Holy Communion

Every Thursday at 10.30 am in The Lady Chapel followed by Coffee and Fellowship in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. All welcome.

Services next Sunday 24th May 2015

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11.00 am Modern Service

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Prayer List: Please pray for:

All on our list, together with those in nursing homes who are not able to attend church, those known to us and those known only to our Lord Jesus Christ. If you would like to add a name to the weekly prayer list, please contact Alison Hassell on 01424 774737 or e-mail: alihassell@hotmail.com

Nepal Earthquake Disaster

The collections on **Sunday 3rd May** for the Nepal Earthquake Disaster totalled **£397.96**. This has now been forwarded to the Barnabus 'Disaster Relief Fund'.

Parish Giving Scheme

St Mary's has now joined the Parish Giving Scheme to help reduce the time spent on claiming Gift Aid and also improve cash flow for the church. There are letters for everyone explaining this scheme and Tracy will be available to ask any questions and give out application packs for anyone wishing to join it.

Dean's Teaching and Training group meets **Wednesday 20th May at 7.30 pm** in the Benedicta Whistler Centre.

Christian Aid Week - 10th to 16th May 2015

Christian Aid envelopes are still available at the back of church. If you wish to make a donation in this way, please place your filled envelope into the collection basket or return it to Alison Hassell. Alternatively you can donate online at caweek.org, or by calling **08080 006 006**, or by sending a cheque (made payable to Christian Aid) direct to **Freepost, Christian Aid**.

Deanery Hog Roast - Saturday 23rd May

At **St Mark's Little Common** from **12.30 pm**. Join us to celebrate Pentecost and our common calling to know, love and follow Jesus. Tickets £5 (children £2.50) from the Dean or from Tracy. Games will be provided for the children.

Battle Churches Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-24 May

There will be early morning services this week for all the Churches together, on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings, held in the Roman Catholic Church in Mount Street, starting at **7.30am**, and followed by breakfast for those who wish to stay. Everyone is warmly invited to these services. (*Please note: no early morning prayer in St. Mary's on these days; no united service on Wednesday.*) There will be a **United Songs of Praise** service next Sunday evening, May 24th, **6.00pm** at the Emmanuel Centre, Harrier Lane, followed by refreshments and fellowship to which everyone is invited.

Friday Fellowship meets **29th May at 7.30pm**.

Dean's 60th Birthday, 'Bring and Share' lunch - Sunday 7th June.

To celebrate the Dean's 60th birthday there will be a Parish Bring and Share lunch after the services on **Sunday 7th June at 12.30pm**. Please sign up in the porch if you will be coming. There are also lists to indicate what you may be able to bring. Any questions please contact Tracy Dixon, who will be co-ordinating this event.

Strawberry Tea - Thursday 18th June Cancelled due to Muffins event on same day.

Church Outing - Wednesday 24th June

The Events Committee have been kindly invited by Jeff and Francesca Ashfield to visit their beautiful home and garden at Sissinghurst. (Older members of the congregation may remember that Jeff was a Churchwarden at St Mary's and Fran ran and organised the Church Flowers). Numbers are limited but we hope to fill a small coach, the cost will be £10 per head this covers the cost of travel and also afternoon tea at the Ashfield's home. The coach will leave the Church car park at 1.30pm returning by 6pm. Those wishing to attend need to sign the notice at the rear of the Church and give the cost of the ticket to Jenny Bickley or Tracy Dixon as soon as possible. Thank you!

Boundaries Walk

Thanks to all those who joined in with this lovely walk on such a beautiful spring day, we walked, prayed and enjoyed fellowship with others as well as enjoying refreshments on the way (thanks to all those who kept us hydrated and refueled?). A truly lovely afternoon and thanks to Vikki for organising.