



St. Andrew's Reading Street

One family, with Christ at the centre,
welcoming all!

Sunday 29th April 2018
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Thought for the week: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ" Ephesians 1:3 page 1173.

Welcome: A warm welcome to all our worshippers today, especially any who are new to the church. We hope you will enjoy the service and come through to the community hall at the end to have some refreshments.

May Ball: It's your final chance to buy a ticket for this event which is at 7:30pm on Thursday 3rd May at The Broadstairs Pavilion. **£30** will buy you an excellent meal and entertainment, including a Michael Bubl  tribute act in cabaret and a DJ for dancing. Tickets from Peggy Long or Simon Kemp today or Monday.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: This took place on Wednesday 25th April. Reports were received from Philip on the year in church, and our church wardens covering the work of all the various sub committees and the groups that feed into them. We are truly blessed by the fact that there are willing volunteers to assist with our parish life. Our PCC has been strengthened by the election of Maureen Daly, Jenny Stone and Peter Evans. However, it was disappointing to see that so few of our members attended. See the administrator or a churchwarden if you can suggest something that will boost attendance next year!

Mission Guatemala: From Bob and Anita Goddard: 'We are holding our annual garden party in aid of Mission Guatemala at Vine Cottage, Holly Lane, Margate on the **12th May between 2 and 4pm**. Everyone is welcome, and it would be lovely to see you.' Members from Mission Guatemala will be in church on Sunday 13th May to give a talk during the 10:00am service.

Processional Hymn: 136 "Alleluia, alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord"

Collect:

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings Genesis 22: 1-18, p 22 read by Jenny Stone
Acts 8: 26-40 p 1101

Gradual Hymn 156 "Sing choirs of heaven!"

Gospel John 15: 1- 8 p 1083

Intercessions led by John Vince

Offertory Hymn 453 "Great is thy faithfulness"

Communion Hymn 330 "We come to this your table, Lord"

Post Communion:

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recessional Hymn 470 "I, the Lord of sea and sky"

Prayer after the service: A member of the Pastoral Team will be available in the Lady Chapel after the service should you wish to speak to or pray with them.

Refreshments: Everyone is welcome to come through to the community hall for a chat and a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

Please pray for the sick: Charles Saunders, Geoffrey Wheeler, Liz Stokes, Susan and Tom Hindmarsh, Sheila Watson, Sheila Hook, Kenneth Benjamin, Josephine Barber, Andrew Grossart, Sid Morgan, Sylvia Long, Sherene Maitra , Sarah Read and Pauline Jackson

This Week: Monday 30th April to Sunday 6th May

<u>Monday</u>	6:15 pm	Beginner's yoga with Abbey 07792 842494
<u>Tuesday</u>	10:00 am	Bible study at St Andrew's House
	7:30 pm	Alpha Course – fourth session in the Community Hall. Please do not arrive before 7:15pm to avoid disturbance to other hall users. Thank you.
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:30 am	Little Ted's Parent and Toddler Group in the hall
	13:45 pm	Women's Group: 'Chaplain at Sea' with Rev Gordon Warner
<u>Thursday</u>	10:00 am	Said Communion in the Lady Chapel Pilates in the hall. Details from 07792 842494
	7:30 pm	No Prayer Group this week May Ball at The Pavilion
<u>Friday</u>	10:30 am	Drop in coffee morning – all welcome!
<u>Sunday</u>	8:00 am	Said Communion
	10:00 am	All Age Service at Elmwood Farm by kind permission of Geoffrey Philpott. Meet in the farmyard, please.
	6:30 pm	Sung Evensong. Please support this service if you can.

Dates for your diary:

Friendship Lunch: Our next lunch is on **Tuesday 15th May**, 12 for 12:30 at Queens Road Baptist Church. Names to Janet Porter on 865178 please.

The Railway Swing Band in concert at St Andrew's: Wednesday 13th June at 7:30 pm. Tickets are £10:00 (including free refreshments) and are available from the office. Please come along and support this concert for the community hall. We need to have a full church for the show to make it economically viable and a really good fund raiser. Raffle prizes are also requested, please give them in at the office if you can help. There are posters for display in your windows and fliers to give your friends at the back of the church. **Let's make this event a real success!**

Commissioning the PCC. This will take place during the 10:00am service on **13th May**. Would all PCC members attend if possible.

Novena: Between Ascension and Pentecost (11th and 19th May,) there are nine special days of prayer. The theme is ‘changed lives – changing lives’ as part of the diocesan initiative to encourage folk to explore through prayer their witness to God’s life changing work. There are booklets at the back of the church. Please take one and use it in prayer during this period.

Parish Office: The office will be open as usual this week.

Quiz : Our brain teaser for May is now available from the White Swan, Anne Dickinson and the office. Only £1 to enter.

Greetings Cards: The sale of greetings cards is an important church fund raiser, and last year contributed £267. So far this year £78 has been raised. Our thanks to Brenda and Val who supply and sell the cards on our behalf. Please continue to support this effort.

Henry and Brian’s Parish Lunch: This food fest will be held on Sunday 15th July starting at 2:30pm. Please book this date! Only £20 per ticket for an Italian themed meal, menu and ticket details to follow shortly.

May Prayer Diary: The May prayer diary is available at the back of the church.

Food Bank: What you give is really appreciated and helps the Food Bank to assist needy families. Donations of UHT milk, jam, packets of flavoured rice or couscous, tinned/dried mashed potatoes and tinned stew etc are urgently required.

Did you know? The film director Alfred Hitchcock died aged 80 on this day in 1980. Apparently, he wouldn’t have a shower installed in his house.....

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