

NOTICES



Flowers This Week

Thank you for the flowers this week which have been kindly donated by Pat and John Clark to celebrate Pat's birthday.

Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is open again following the APCM to process new applications or amendments. Applications forms are on the table at the back of church or from Ian McKenzie (*Electoral Roll Officer*)

ADVANCE NOTICE: There will be a Coffee Morning (with Bring-and-Buy; refreshments and other stalls) on **FRIDAY, JUNE 30th** from 9.30am in the Parish Community Hall. It is being organised by Beryl Robinson and her friends with members of Holy Cross in aid of Church funds. We are asking for items to sell - cakes, draw prizes, etc as well as volunteers to help on the day. Please contact Barbara (677 4549); Jenny (721 7587); Mary (342 4718) or Sue 🐶 at the Parish Office (677 5352).

SMARTIE TUBES: Thank you to Beryl who has collected a further £14.20 from her smartie tubes for the wall fund appeal.

100 Club Winning Numbers for May: 1st = 7 / 2nd = 16 / 3rd = 49

SUMMER SALE – Church pens £2.50 each) will be available for a few weeks at '**2 FOR £4**'. Please speak to Gwyneth.

THANK YOU – Edna Malone would like to thank all dear friends at Holy Cross Church for the lovely gifts, cards, flowers and a beautiful buffet to help celebrate her 90th birthday. *Thank you and God Bless from Edna x*

Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

SUNDAY 21ST MAY 2023
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

Welcome!

Welcome to everyone here today! A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay for refreshments after the 10am service in the Parish Community Hall. **Gluten free wafers** are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Collect: (*Page 189 - The Common Worship Lectionary*)

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. **Amen**

Post Communion: (*Page 192 – The Common Worship Lectionary*)

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for 8am and 10am

1st Reading (8am & 10am)	Acts 1. 6-14
Psalm (8am)	68. 1-10
Epistle (8am)	1 Peter 4. 12-14 & 5. 6-11
Gospel	John 17. 1-11



8.00am	Holy Communion – <i>Preacher Rev Dr Joe Kennedy</i>
10.00am	Holy Communion – <i>Preacher Rev Josie</i> <i>Hymn Nos for 10am: 255 / 580 / 17 / 104</i> <i>Mass Setting: Gloria 967 / 973 / 978</i>
12 Noon	Baptism
2.00pm	Baptism Preparation Meeting in Church

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

<i>Tuesday</i>	23 rd May	1.15pm 8.00pm	School in church - practice NO Bible Study
<i>Wednesday</i>	24 th May	10.00am 1.15pm 7.00pm	Holy Communion Community Café in Parish Community Hall PCC Meeting in Jubilee Rooms
<i>Thursday</i>	25 th May	9.00am 1.30pm	Woodchurch CE School in Church Community Craft Club in Parish Hall
<i>Saturday</i>	27 th May	12 Noon	Interment of Ashes – Church and Churchyard

SUNDAY, 28TH MAY 2023 PENTECOST

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 st Reading (8am & 10)	Acts 2. 1-21
10.00am	Parish Communion INCENSE	Psalms (8am)	104. 25-37
12 Noon	NO Baptism	Epistle (8am)	1 Corinthians 12. 3b-13
		Gospel	John 7. 37-39

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who live and work in:

Sun : Parklands Court. Mon: Parkway.
Tue: Parkway Close. Wed: Pemberton Road.
Thu: Pool Lane. Fri: Poolwood Road.
Sat: Robin Way.

Those who will be baptised "we welcome them into the fellowship of faith"

Franklin Martin Critchley

Marriage Banns to be read:

Benjamin Stewart and Stephanie Dunne

Those who are ill:

Phil, Victor, Norma, Liz, Lilian, Anne, Ted, James

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

"Give rest O Christ to your servants with the saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting. Amen"

Years Mind:

Jack Gibson, John Edward Jones, Ethel Violet Terry.

Our verse for the year

"Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labour in vain."
(Psalm 127)

BIBLE READING OF THE WEEK:

7th Sunday of Easter – John 17: 1-11

A journalist wrote that one Saturday he was really scared travelling through an area devastated by racial riots. The next Sunday he shared a hymnbook with a young man from the very community that had rioted. This led him to say that there is truly a oneness in Christ that transcends barriers.

Prayer: Lord, may your richness of diversity open windows in our souls.

