



## NOTICES

Thank you for the flowers this week which have been kindly donated by Graham Dykes in loving memory of their forthcoming 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to his beloved wife Patricia Ann.

**Ascension Day:** Our daughter church of St Saviour Oxton celebrates its patronal festival at 7.30pm on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May. For the first time since Covid we are all warmly invited to the service and to refreshments afterwards. Revd Josie is to be the guest preacher at this service. Please come along to support her & celebrate this day for our daughter Church.

**Messy Church:** this month's theme is Pentecost with lots of fun wind and fire related crafts, a story, a prayer, a song and a shared meal. A lovely free occasion for primary age children and their parents/carers. Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> at 3.30. All welcome.

**Flowers in Church:** Dates still available: June 18<sup>th</sup>, July 9<sup>th</sup>, August 27<sup>th</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**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*)


**Saturday 20th May** Mothers Union are holding a **Deanery Coffee Morning at St Stephen's Church Prenton 10.30am to 12 noon.** £1 admission including tea/coffee. Holy Cross is manning the Chocolate tombola stall. We would be grateful for any donations of chocolate bars. All welcome to this event.

Jenny Davies

**Christian Aid Week is 14 – 20 May 2023.** Your gifts this Christian Aid Week could help farmers in Malawi plant better seeds, secure a fairer price for the crops, and build happier futures for their children.

**Envelopes are available at back of church.**

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** There will be a Coffee Morning (with Bring-and-Buy; refreshments and other stalls) on **FRIDAY, JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>** 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).

**Terry's Chocolate Orange Coronation Crowns for Charles III Coronation - THANK YOU** to everyone who helped contribute to the making of the Coronation Crowns and to Pat Clark  who very kindly donated all the wool. We hope that you enjoyed your souvenir keepsake.

## Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

**SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**  
**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*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 181 - The Common Worship Lectionary*)

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Post Communion:** (*Page 184 - The Common Worship Lectionary*)

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

### Readings for 8am and 10am

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading (8am & 10am)** Acts 17. 22-31

**Psalms (8am)** 66. 7-18

**Epistle (8am)** 1 Peter 3. 13-22

**Gospel** John 14. 15-21

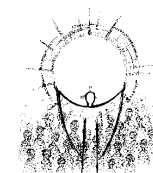
**8.00am** Holy Communion – Preacher Canon David

**10.00am** Holy Communion – Preacher Canon David

Hymn Nos for 10am: 249 / 216 / 35 / 32

Mass Setting: Simple Mass 953

**12 Noon** Baptism



**CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

<i>Monday</i>	15 <sup>th</sup> May	1.30pm	Community Craft Club in Parish Community Hall
<i>Tuesday</i>	16 <sup>th</sup> May	11.00am 8.00pm	Funeral in Church Bible Study
<i>Wednesday</i>	17 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am 10.45am 1.15pm 3.00pm	Holy Communion Church Clean Community Café in Parish Community Hall Messy Church in Parish Community Hall
<i>Thursday</i>	18 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm	Ascension Day service at St Saviour's Oxtou

**SUNDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2023  
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION**

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading <b>(8am &amp; 10)</b>	Acts 1. 6-14
10.00am	Parish Communion	Psalm <b>(8am)</b>	68. 1-10
12 Noon	Baptism	Epistle <b>(8am)</b>	1 Peter 4. 12-14 & 5. 6-11
2.00pm	Baptism Preparation in Church	Gospel	John 17. 1-11

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Those who live and work in:**

Sun: Meadow Crescent. Mon: Merton Drive.  
Tue: Nantwich Close. Wed: New Bridge Close.  
Thu: New Hey Road. Fri: Northbrooke Way.  
Sat: Orrets Meadow.

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

Elliot Jude Kelly



**Marriage Banns to be read:**

Benjamin Stewart and Stephanie Dunne

**Those who are ill:**

Victor, Norma, Liz, Lilian, Anne, Ted, Beryl, Dorothy, James

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

Arthur Rich

*"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:**

George Kemp, Frederick Mutch, Phil Austin, Sidney Kent Richardson, Stephen Skillen.

**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:**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – John 14. 15-21**

"I won't leave you like orphans." What an amazing promise from Jesus. That "part" of God we call The Spirit will be, to us, the presence of Jesus in our lives wherever we go. Wanting to live our lives for Jesus puts Him into our lives like the letters through seaside rock.

*Prayer: I praise you Lord, for the promise of Your presence.*