

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Acts 16: 9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21: 10, 22-22.5 John 5: 1-9

Post Communion

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.**

Baptism Preparation – Prayer for May

Lord God, thank You that You created us all with an amazing capacity for love
and compassion. We pray that when faced with injustice, You will equip this
family with the gifts of boldness, courage and discernment to bring about your
will. **Amen.**

Book: What The Ladybird Heard

***Please pray for the people that live in Oaklands Care Home in our parish
and for the people who care for them.***

Please pray for all those being ordained in our Diocese in June:

Priests: Peter Greaves, Dean Hall, Gilly Maxim, Tim O'Leary, Prajna Pal-Lad,
Chris Smith, Sarah Tranter

Deacons: Paul Latham, Philippa Lowe, Tobias Thornes, Jon Turner

Gluten Free Wafers - whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free wafers will be available.

Copyright Information Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England (2000), New Patterns for Worship (2002) and Common Worship Times and Seasons (2006) material from which is included in this service is copyright © The Archbishop's Council. Music & song words reproduction, music performance and the playing of recorded music is carried out under the terms of our licences with Christian Copyright Licensing International Ltd. Church Licence no. 1040738, other licence numbers available on request.



Sunday 25th May 2025

Newsletter

Priest in Charge - Fr Adam Hadley

fr.adam@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07759 900947

Curate - Fr Chris Smith

fr.chris@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07562 949395

Mission Priest - Mthr Sarah Roberts-Malpass

Mthr.sarah@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07976 965275

**Children, Youth and Family Minister and
Parish Safeguarding Officer - Sian Morgan**

sian@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07729 092972

Parish Administrator - Lindsey Poulding

office@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07729 092973

Operations Manager - Grace Wrigglesworth

operations@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk

07562 955888

Church Wardens

Jean Blakemore 01384 270828

jeanblakemore72@gmail.com

Jenny Stewart 07723 535740

jennystewart1@hotmail.co.uk

SERVICES AT CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION – MAY/JUNE

Sunday 25 May

10am Sung Eucharist

Monday 26 May - BANK HOLIDAY NO EVENING PRAYER

Tuesday 27 May

5pm Soul Food

5pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 28 May

10am Midweek Eucharist with Hymns and Songs

5pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm APCM

Thursday 29 May – ASCENSION DAY

10am Mainly Music

7pm Ascension Day Service

Sunday 1 June

10am Morning Prayer

**All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's
at 8.30am on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.**

Pray for our sick and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Bob, Carol, Steph Randall, Pam, Fran and Peter, Tim Dalloway, Anne-Marie, Chris Hemsley, Angela, Winnifred Quirke, Winston Sharpe, Reagan, Edna Barlow, Phil Mayhew, Mike, Henry, Samantha Hart, Brian Genner, Sarah, Denise, Harold, Craig Stevens, Kirsty, Harry, Janet.

MU Members, especially the house bound.

Recently Departed: Edgar Green, Ivor Watson, Margaret O'Sullivan.

The Funeral of Edgar Green will take place on Thursday 5 June 2025 at 1.45pm at Church of the Ascension.

Fr Mel's next Prayer Meeting will be on **Monday June 9th at 7pm** and fortnightly thereafter.

Have you considered being a school governor? A vacancy will arise in September for someone from our church community to be on the school board at Church of the Ascension C.E. Primary School to support and act as a "critical friend" alongside staff and parents. It involves three evening meetings each term, with training provided, and is a very rewarding activity. Please speak to Fr Adam or Chris, Sheila or Mary if you would like to know more.

Our Annual Parish Meeting will be on **Wednesday 28 May at 7.30pm** in church. Please do your best to attend this important meeting.

Ascension Day Our patronal Eucharist for Ascension Day is at Church of the Ascension at **7pm on Thursday 29 May** followed by cheese and wine. The school playground will be open for parking. All are very welcome and please spread the word!

The next Community Coffee Morning at St Mary's will be from 10-12 on **Thursday 5 June**. Everyone welcome 😊

Fr Chris' Priesting and first Mass Everyone is welcome to attend Worcester Cathedral on **Saturday 28 June at 2pm** when Fr Chris will be ordained as a Priest by Bishop Martin. The following day on **Sunday 29 June at 11am** (note the time change) will be the first time that Fr Chris presides at the Eucharist and this service will be at St Mary's followed by a bring a share lunch in the hall. Fr Rob Jones, the former Archdeacon of Worcester, will be preaching. Please do come and support Fr Chris during these two exceptionally important days for him and the church.

PARISH RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT

Let's celebrate and honour the past – it's how we got to the present!

Looking to the future – there's so much going on over the next few weeks that the clergy team have decided to move the Parish Development House Groups to September.....more info in due course.

Please email any notices and items for this weekly newsletter to Lindsey in the parish office by Thursday for printing on Fridays. Thank you.
office@stmaryskingswinford.org.uk