ST MARY'S
CUDDINGTON

Pew Sheet for 3rd May 2026

A warm welcome to everyone attending today's services

5th Sunday after Easter

Please come into the hall for refreshments after the 09:30 service.

Collect:

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

Hymns:

CP137	Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise
CP467	How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds
CP395	Christ is our Cornerstone
CP96	Jesu Lover of My Soul
CP213	Christ is the World's Light
CP606	The Hand O God has Guided

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

Readings

1 Peter 2: 2-10

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER
Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

John 14: 1-14

JESUS THE WAY TO THE FATHER
“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and

will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."
Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Post-communion prayer:

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Each Sunday, after the 9:30 am service, someone is available in St Mary's Chapel to listen and pray with you.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

WEDNESDAY 6th MAY - 10.30am KNIT & NATTER
Wednesday 6th May 10.30am
Monday 11th May 7.30pm
In The Leverton Room.

THURSDAY 14th MAY - 8.00pm Ascension Day Service

SATURDAY 16th MAY - PUB SINGALONG EVENING in the Church Hall. Tickets are now available at £10 each, to include a glass of wine, beer or soft drink.

SUNDAY 17TH MAY - ST MARY'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS will be held after 9.30am service. During this, elections will take place for PCC members, Churchwardens and Deanery Synod members. If you are interested in applying for any of these positions, or you can think of someone who would be a perfect fit for them, there are nomination forms at the back of the Church, with a box for completed forms. Two Baptisms after the APCM.
Sunday 17th May - Baptisms after Annual Parochial Church Council Meetings.

SUNDAY 7TH JUNE - 9.30AM FAMILY FRIENDLY COMMUNION SERVICE led by Children and young people

Sunday 14th June - 9.30am Vocation Sunday - Special speaker Mr Craig Holmes, DDO of the Diocese of Guildford