



Please Pray for

...those who have died, including: **Sylvia Flood** (Nick's brother's widow), **Bill McDowell** (funeral 22nd May), **Clifford Wilson, John Daniels** (Sue Harder's father), **Mary Allen** (funeral 13th May) and **Tony Bell** (funeral 1.30pm 29th May at TV Crem)
 ...those who are unwell, including: **Debbie Arthur, Debbie Matthias, Jeanine Stewart, Lawrence Nash, Liz Bellingham** (dtr of Roy Perry, having op), **Margaret Harden, Mavis Eastwood, Nick Turner** (in hospital, making progress), **Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell, Richard** (Liz Holton's brother) & **Simon Bell**

The Sixth Sunday of Easter is sometimes also known as 'Rogation Sunday' (Latin *rogare* – to ask) when the Church prays especially for all who work in agriculture. In country areas, people traditionally process through the fields praying for God's blessing on the crops and livestock. Today the Church also anticipates the great festival (next Thursday) of our Lord's Ascension into heaven, having completed his saving work on earth.

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	John 14:15-21	<i>The promise of the Holy Spirit.</i>
Monday	John 14:23-27	<i>The Spirit will teach you.</i>
Tuesday	John 16:5-16	<i>The work of the Holy Spirit.</i>
Wednesday	1 John 4:13-21	<i>He has given us his Spirit.</i>
Thursday	Acts 1:1-11	<i>The ascension of Jesus</i>
Friday	Hebrews 4:14-16	<i>Jesus has gone through the heavens</i>
Saturday	Psalms 68:3-5, 17-20	<i>Ascended on high</i>
Sunday	John 17:1-11	<i>Jesus prays for his disciples</i>

A Morning Prayer: Lord Jesus, please give us the Holy Spirit today to be with us and in us. Lead us to do the things that you command. Amen. (John 14:15-17)

An Evening Prayer: Jesus, you are Lord of our hearts. Help us to be gentle and respectful towards others, so that they see you alive in us. Amen. (1 Peter 3:15)

A Blessing to Give: May God give you the Holy Spirit, so that you love Jesus and obey him. Amen. (John 14:15-17)

Readings for 17th May – 7th of Easter

Ezekiel 36:24-28; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; Acts 1:6-14; John 17:1-11
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News & Notices - 10th to 17th May



The Promise – Stushie

Sunday 10th May – 6th of Easter

- 8am Communion (BCP) in West Tytherley
- From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
- 9am Communion (BCP) in East Dean
- 9.30am Short but Sweet in East Tytherley
- 1030am Florence Nightingale Annual Service in Wellow**
- 1030am Eucharist in Lockerley
- 11am Matins (BCP) in East Dean
- 11am Morning Prayer in Sherfield English
- 9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

10th May – 6th of Easter

Genesis 8:20-9:17 Psalm 66:7-18	Acts 17:22-31 1 Peter 3:13-end	John 14:15-21
God promises Noah that all living creatures are precious. Humans are made in God's image and the rainbow is a sign that God will never destroy the earth.	Acts 17:22-31 Paul teaches the Athenians that their "unknown God" is the Lord of heaven and earth who made the world and raised Jesus from the dead. 1 Peter 3:13-end Advice for the faithful, and assurance that we are blessed even in suffering. Just as Noah and his family were saved through water, baptism now saves us – not by physically cleaning us, but by cleansing our souls.	Jesus asks those who love him to do what he has commanded and promises that God loves them and will send them the Holy Spirit.

Acts must be one of the readings for the day (replacing OT or NT Reading)

Monday to Saturday

9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Wednesday 13th May

9am Eucharist in Lockerley

Thursday 14th May

7.30pm Deanery Ascension Day Service in Romsey Abbey

Sunday 17th May – 6th of Easter

8am Communion (BCP) in East Dean

From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

9am Eucharist in West Tytherley

9.15am Sung Eucharist in Wellow

1030am Celebration Service in Lockerley

11am Family Service in Sherfield English

9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



**Charity of the Month
May 2026**

In May, the Charity of the Month is Christian Aid. An agency of the churches in the UK and Ireland, Christian Aid works wherever the need is greatest, irrespective of religion. It works with some of the world's most vulnerable communities in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and Latin America and the Caribbean. Christian Aid believes in strengthening people to find their own solutions to the problems they face. It strives for a new world transformed by an end to poverty and campaigns to change the rules that keep people poor. More details from www.christianaid.org.uk
(Collection Baskets in Churches or send donations to the Vicar at Crispins, Lockerley)

	24 th May	31 st May	7 th Jun	14 th Jun	21 st Jun
East Dean	6pm (BCP) Evensong	1030am Benefice Eucharist at East Dean	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion
East Tytherley	-		-	9.30am Short but Sweet	-
Lockerley	1030am Eucharist		8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration Service
Sherfield English	11am Morning Prayer		11am Communion	11am Morning Prayer	11am Family Service
West Tytherley	9am (BCP) Matins		9.45/10am Breakfast Church	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist
Wellow	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins		9.15am Sung Eucharist 4pm Messy Church	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Sung Eucharist

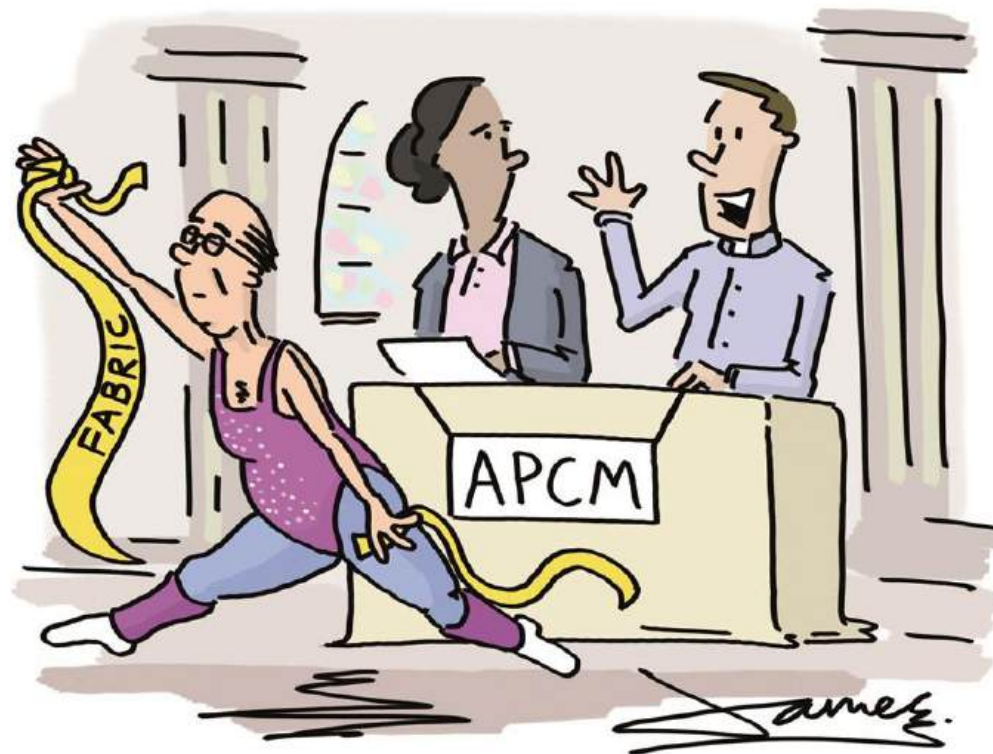


'Thy Kingdom Come' service at Winchester Cathedral

For this year's Thy Kingdom Come prayer initiative, Winchester Cathedral is hosting a service of worship and prayer on 16 May, 6:30pm, to which all are welcome. Worship will be led by young people from around our diocese, Bishop Philip will be preaching, sung worship will be wonderfully varied and ranging from the cathedral

organ to Taizé, to time led by a worship band.

Find out more information here <https://winchesterdiocese.org/course/the-upper-room-a-time-of-prayer-and-worship-for-thy-kingdom-come/>



“As a fresh approach, this year all reports will be delivered via the medium of dance”