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Readings & News: 3rd May 2026: Easter 5

St Mary's Todmorden, St Michael's Cornholme and St Peter's Walsden

Genesis 8: 1-19: 8 But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided....and the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵The waters continued to abate... the tops of the mountains appeared. ⁶At the end of 40 days Noah opened the window of the ark... ⁷and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided...; ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; ¹¹the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²He waited another 7 days and sent out the dove; and it did not return... and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying... and the earth was dry. ¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' ¹⁸So Noah and his family went out. ¹⁹And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.

Acts 7: 55-end ⁵⁵But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶'Look, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

John 14: 1-14 ¹⁴'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In 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? ³And 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. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' ⁸Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' ⁹Jesus 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"? ¹⁰Do 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.

Hymns: 3rd May: from Hymns O&N and Hymn Sheets

Introit: James & Andrew, Peter & John - 338

Gradual: Caravan of love - Sheet



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Offertory: Stand by me - **Sheet**

Communion: There but for fortune- **Sheet**

Communion Anthem: Last night I had the strangest dream - **Sheet**

Recessional: Todmorden Cantata, Three Valleys - **Sheet**

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. **Amen**

Post Communion: 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. **Amen**

Today we welcome Pat and Nuala from Cobalt Tales, to celebrate our Tod Folk

Festival Mass and join in the 10th Anniversary celebrations. This afternoon we also host the Carrivick Sisters, Anaya Khan, Jon Saunders and Alex Seel for a **concert** .

Annual Meeting (APCM) 10th May 2026 – please check the electoral roll; if your name is not on it and you would like to be, please sign up to vote at the APCM & **elect Deanery Synod, PCC members & Churchwardens. Nomination forms at the back of Church.**

10th May at 7pm - Churches Together for Christian Aid at Roomfield Baptist Church

Creative Group @ St Mary's: ALL WELCOME Next session: Monday 11th May 10.30

No skill or previous experience needed; come and learn, share and enjoy...

Feast of the Ascension: Service on Thursday 14th May at 7pm and Thy Kingdom Come,

Ascension to Pentecost: help yourself to a copy of Archbishop Sarah's reflections

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Giving to St Mary's: Thank you to all those who have transferred their regular giving from envelopes to online; if you still haven't done so and would like help please let us know and we can pair you up with a volunteer who can assist. **The parish giving scheme (PGS) link is:** <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish> If you cannot give online eg because of joint accounts, let Rev Catherine know so new envelopes can be prepared. **One-off donations** can be in cash, via Sum-up or PGS

We continue to pray for: Gwen Mills, Jacob Howarth, Roy Yearsley, Viv Hawksworth, Mandy Fielden, Norman Cruikshank, Margaret McArdle; Sarah Battershell, Robert Scholey, Glynys Radzic, Joyce Campion, Trevor Smith, Meg Kennedy, Jeffrey Hunter, Caroline Van den Brut, Jerzy Browne, Nigel Bentley, Rita, Lisa and Michael Kenyon, Natasha McArdle, Ann Mason, Zoe Beesley, Lorna and Peter Shackleton, Roger & Pat Dale, Maureen Marshall, Val Cottam, Christine, Rowena, Archdeacon Bill Braviner, David Hamilton, Funeral Director; Middle East, Ukraine, Somalia, Sudan and the Yemen

Recently Departed Edith Thomas, Beatrice Baron, Mary Widdup, Margaret Blackburn, Maureen Fielden, Barry Boon, Mick Blanche, Lawrie Stead, Christine Sutcliffe

In Memory: Rene Fitton, Bryan Thomas Thorne, Alan Brennand, Monica Mary Ford, Barrie Sharpouse, Margaret Hodgkinson, Linda Payne, Marjorie Bailey, Harry Mitchell, John Keith Beevers, Arthur Barker, Connie Fielden