



**TORTEVAL CHURCH**  
Bringing Everyone Together

The Parish Church of  
**St. Philippe de Torteval**

**Torteval Methodist Church**

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*observed as Patronal Festival*

**St. Philip & St. James the Less**

**3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

## Welcome

*The Clergy and Church Officers of both the Parish and Methodist Churches warmly welcome you today: whether you are visiting us, or regularly worship here, we are delighted to see you. Large print orders of service are available upon request.*

## Today's Services

**9.30 a.m. Methodist Service**  
**11.00 a.m. Family Eucharist [CW]**



## Dates for the Diary

**7.00 p.m. Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
Annual Ratepayers' and Electors'  
Meeting in the Parish Hall

**7.00 p.m. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**  
Deanery Synod at St. Andrew's Church

**5.00 p.m. Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June**  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday @ 5

**11.00 a.m. Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Special Family Service for**

### THE SICK AND

#### OTHERS WHO ASK OUR PRAYERS:

Revd Tracy Charmley, Sandra Diment, Collette Gallienne, Roslyn Guilbert, Jackie Thome, Gary Van Der Linden and all mentioned on the prayer board.

#### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

**THE WORLD:** pray for all places afflicted by war, that peace may reign throughout the world.

**THE CHURCH:** Archbishop Sarah, Acting Bishop Karen, Bailiwick clergy, especially for Howard and Mark.

**THE BAILIWICK:** The States of Deliberation & Parish Officials

**THE PARISH:** Rue de l'Église

  
**LIBERATION DAY**  
1945 — 2026





**Gary Van der Linden**  
**Ohlin Baudains**

(Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May)  
(Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May)

If it's yours, and we did not know it, Happy Birthday!

Email [dj@flagpole.gg](mailto:djr@flagpole.gg) so that we don't miss you off next year's greetings.

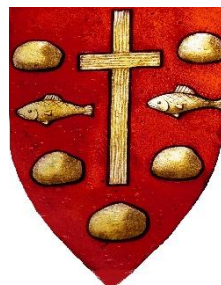
## St. Philip – Apostle and Martyr: Our Patron Saint



Last Friday was St. Philip and St. James Day and we will observe this Sunday as our Patronal Festival.

The stained-glass window above the altar shows St. Philip holding a long Latin cross and also a basket containing bread. Similarly, the heraldic arms commonly adopted by churches bearing his dedication show the elongated cross with five loaves and two fishes (see *St John: 6*).

Tradition has it that Philip suffered crucifixion in Hieropolis and his alleged remains were later moved to the Basilica of the Twelve Apostles in Rome, which was



originally dedicated to Saints Philip and James the younger. As a result the two saints have come to be celebrated on the same day.

Philip is the patron of hatters, pastry chefs, the nations of Luxembourg and Uruguay, and many churches, schools and hospitals throughout the world. Birmingham Cathedral is the only Anglican cathedral dedicated to St. Philip.

## Forest Methodist Church – 81<sup>st</sup> Liberation Anniversary Cream Teas

2.00 p.m. to 4.00p.m. Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – price £6. Cakes and plants for sale. Proceeds for Shelter Box and Only One World.

### Flower Rota

3<sup>rd</sup> May  
10<sup>th</sup> May  
17<sup>th</sup> May  
24<sup>th</sup> May

### Altar (Anglican)

Jenny Ridley  
Jenny Ridley  
Anne Bourgaize  
Anne Bourgaize

### Vase (Methodist)

Gill Watson  
Jenny Gilchrist  
Michelle Le Lacheur  
Diane Ward

## Services & Daily Readings for May 2026

*AHON* = Anglican Hymns Old & New (*blue*)

*NEH* = New English Hymnal (*green*)

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – observed as St. Philip & St. James – Patronal Festival

**9.30 a.m. Methodist Service** **Revd Anne Richardson**

**11.00 a.m. Family Eucharist [CW]** **Rector**

*Old Testament:* Isaiah 30: 15-21 Evan Ozanne

*Gospel:* John 14: 1-14 Rector

*Intercessions:* *SNB to arrange*

*Hymns (AHON):* 454, 687, 556, 43, 34

### *Readings for this week:*

		<u>Psalm</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</u>
Sunday	<b>Easter 4 (5)</b>	31: 1-5,15-16	Acts 7: 55>	John 14: 1-14
Monday	English Reformation Saints & Martyrs	87	Ecclesiasticus 2: 10-17	John 12: 20-26
Tuesday		145: 10>	Acts 14: 19>	John 14: 27>
Wednesday		122: 1-5	Acts 15: 1-6	John 15: 1-8
Thursday		96: 1-3,7-10	Acts 15: 7-21	John 15: 9-11
Friday	St Julian of Norwich	57: 8>	1 Corinthians 13: 8>	Matthew 5: 13-16
Saturday		100	Acts 16: 1-10	John 15: 18-21

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter [BCP] 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter [CW]

**11.00 a.m. Joint Family Service for Liberation Day and Rogation** **Rector**

**6.00 p.m. Evensong [BCP]** **Revd Juliette Robilliard**

*1<sup>st</sup> Lesson:* Zechariah 8: 1-13 Winston Pipet

*2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson:* Revelation 21: 22 – 22: 5 Sue Brooks

*Psalm:* 107: 1-9

*Canticles:* Cantate Domino & Deus Misereatur

*Intercessions:* Sir Richard McMahon

*Hymns (NEH)* 263 omit\*, 127, 495

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday after Ascension Day

**11.00 a.m. United Holy Communion [Methodist Rite]** **Revd Howard Stringer**

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Whit Sunday [BCP] Pentecost [CW]

**11.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist [CW]** **Rector**

*New Testament:* Acts 2: 1-21 David Robilliard

*Gospel:* John 20: 19-23 Rector

*Intercessions:* Madeleine Squires

*Hymns (AHON):* 120, 124, 114, 87, 746

**6.00 p.m. Evensong [BCP]** **Rector**

*1<sup>st</sup> Lesson:* Numbers 11: 24-30 Rector

*2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson:* Acts 2: 14-21 Revd Juliette Robilliard

*Psalm:* 67

*Canticles:* Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis

*Intercessions:* Sue Brooks

*Hymns (NEH)* 139, 419, 140

## Methodist Minister's Reflection for May

May is a month that carries a particular weight of meaning here in Guernsey. Before we plant summer flowers, hang out bunting, or enjoy the longer evenings, we pause - as we do every year on the ninth of May - to remember. This year marks eighty-one years since Liberation Day, when in 1945 the occupation ended, and the Islands were finally free.

For many in our parish, that history is not distant. It is written into the stones of our church, the names in our churchyard, and the memories still held by the oldest among us. Freedom, when it comes after long darkness, is not taken for granted; it is something deeply felt.

This prompts a question for us as a community: what does it mean to be shaped by that story? We see it in resilience, in neighbourliness, and in the quiet courage of ordinary life maintained under extraordinary pressure. These are not only virtues for times of crisis - they are the habits of any healthy community. They are, I believe, both deeply Christian and deeply Guernsey in character.

The church calendar also guides us through Eastertide this month, leading us toward Pentecost. We are a people who live in the light of resurrection - a story of hope enduring through the worst and of life breaking through where it seemed impossible. In that sense, the theme of liberation resonates deeply with our faith.

Wherever and however you mark Liberation Day on 9th May, we join together in giving thanks, and in remembering all who suffered, all who served, and all who waited.

As we move into this brighter season, may we carry with us a renewed sense of gratitude, and of the shared life we hold as a parish community.

Every blessing

*Howard Stringer*

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