

# THE BENEFICE OF STURMINSTER NEWTON, HINTON ST MARY AND LYDLINCH

**‘Making Christ's Love Known to All’**



THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

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**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026– Pentecost**

***St Mary's***

***St Peter's***

***St Thomas'***

11:00am Holy Communion  
6:00pm Evensong

9:30am Holy Communion

11:00am Morning Prayer

## **Collect**

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## **Acts 2.1–21**

**2** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews

from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, ‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.’ All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’ But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk,

as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### **Psalm 104.26–36, 37b**

- <sup>26</sup> O Lord, how manifold are your works! • In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- <sup>27</sup> There is the sea, spread far and wide, • and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.
- <sup>28</sup> There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan • which you have made to play in the deep.
- <sup>29</sup> All of these look to you • to give them their food in due season.
- <sup>30</sup> When you give it them, they gather it; • you open your hand and they are filled with good.
- <sup>31</sup> When you hide your face they are troubled; • when you take away

their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

- <sup>32</sup> When you send forth your spirit, they are created, • and you renew the face of the earth.
- <sup>33</sup> May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; • may the Lord rejoice in his works;
- <sup>34</sup> He looks on the earth and it trembles; • he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- <sup>35</sup> I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; • I will make music to my God while I have my being.
- <sup>36</sup> So shall my song please him • while I rejoice in the Lord.
- <sup>37</sup> Let sinners be consumed out of the earth and the wicked be no more.  
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### **I Corinthians 12.3b–13**

Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of

miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

### **John 7.37–39**

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he

cried out, ‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, “Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.”’ Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

### **Post Communion**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## **News and Notices**

*All events are open to all across the Benefice.*

**St. Mary's Coffee Morning 5th June** 10:30am-12noon in St. Mary's Church Hall. All welcome

**St Thomas a Becket Friday 5th June**, the Songbirds will be in concert. Doors open 7:00 pm, tickets £12:50 including Refreshments - in aid of the church and the bells. Please call 07741652713 to reserve your tickets.

**Sturminster Big Weekend on Saturday 6th June** in the Railway Gardens, St Mary's will be running a tombola to raise money for our church. If you have either non-perishable food or toiletry items we could put in the tombola that would be much appreciated. You can give items to Mary, the church wardens, or Tony and Brenda. There will also be a box in the main entrance to St Mary's church for you to leave items. If you would like your gift to be collected, please email Tony at [tandbstables@btinternet.com](mailto:tandbstables@btinternet.com) or ring 01258 471487.

**Sunday 7th June** from 12:00 noon in the Railway Garden, our Mother's Union will be running a stall with games for children as part of The Big Lunch.

**Advance Notice: 20th & 21st June** 2:00pm-5:00pm Hinton St Mary Gardens Open 2026, Explore the Manor House Gardens & 15-20 other village

gardens. Refreshments available in the beautiful Tithe Barn with a Plant Stall outside. In aid of St. Peter's Church  
 A date for your diary **Sunday 28th June** Tea in the Garden at the Old Rectory, Stock Gaylard - in aid of the Bells.

<p><b>Services &amp; Events in the Benefice</b></p> <p><b>Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>        10:00am – Holy Communion –        St Mary's</p> <p><b>Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>        6:30pm – Choir Practice – St        Mary's</p>	<p><b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Trinity</b></p> <p><b>Readings:</b> Isaiah 40.12–17, 27–end          Psalm 8   2 Corinthians 13.11–end          Matthew 28.16–end</p> <p><b>St Peter's, Hinton St Mary</b>        No Service</p> <p><b>St Mary's, Sturminster Newton</b>        No Service</p> <p><b>St Thomas', Lydlinch</b>        11:00am Benefice Holy        Communion</p>										
<p><b>Vicar:</b>        Rev Mary Gubbins        revd.mary.gubbins@gmail.com        ☎ 07440 680 387</p> <p><b>Benefice Safeguarding Officer</b>        Mrs. Nicole Forbes-Marshall        07960 827108        nicoleforbes@btinternet.com</p>	<p><b>Administration:</b>        Please pass any notices or news for        the pew sheets to        office.sturbenefice@gmail.com        by noon Wednesday.</p>										
<p><b>Lay Pastoral Assistants:</b>        For Communion at home or        pastoral visits, please contact:        Carol Moody ☎ 01258 721 729        Fiona Norman ☎ 01258 472 693</p>	<p>Find us by putting Put 'A Church near        you' in your search engine and then        enter Sturminster Newton, Lydlinch        or Hinton St. Mary</p>										
<p><b>Mothers' Union Secretary:</b> Brenda Stables (b.stables@btinternet.com)</p>											
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