



TORTEVAL CHURCH
Bringing Everyone Together

The Parish Church of
St. Philippe de Torteval

Torteval Methodist Church

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Sunday after Ascension Day

17th 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

11.00 a.m. United Holy Communion
[Methodist Rite]



Dates for the Diary

7.30 p.m. Tuesday 2nd June
Ecumenical meeting of clergy and church officers at Le Grand Ménage

5.00 p.m. Friday 5th June
1st Friday @ 5

7.00 p.m. Wednesday 17th June
Deanery Synod at St. Andrew's Church

Baby Garments for Ukraine



Knitted or crocheted baby garments to be sent to Ukraine may be left in the box placed in the church porch.

THE SICK AND

OTHERS WHO ASK OUR PRAYERS:

Sandra Diment, Collette Gallienne, Roslyn Guilbert, Karen Harrison, Jackie Thoume, Gary Van Der Linden and all mentioned on the prayer board.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Rebecca Elliott, Fr. Paul Mellor, Jamie Toynton

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: La Villiaze Church and Rohais Methodist Church

THE PARISH: Rue du Gain



Joan Kemsley (Wednesday 20th May)

If it's yours, and we did not know it, Happy Birthday!
Email djr@flagpole.gg so that we don't miss you off next year's greetings.

Youth Concert – Save The Date!

The annual Youth Choir Concert will be held in Church on Sunday 28th June commencing at 7.30 p.m. Please add this date to your diary.

Sue always welcomes new members, so if you know of a young person who would be interested, contact her on 268116.



2026 Torteval Scarecrow Festival

The Scarecrow Festival is on 25th and 26th July.

If you have any books – good quality paperbacks or hardbacks – and items of jewellery, toiletries, scarves, etc., please let Sue Brooks know.

Homemade cakes would also be much appreciated – please take them to the Parish Hall on the day.



Flower Rota

- 17th May
- 24th May
- 31st May
- 7th June
- 14th June

Altar (Anglican)

- Anne Bourgaize
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- Carolyn Taylor
- Carolyn Taylor
- Gillian Le Lièvre

Vase (Methodist)

- Joy Le Couteur
- Michelle Le Lacheur
- Diane Ward

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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