

ST MARTIN'S
Brighthouse
Sunday
10th May

Celebrant / preacher
Rev Paul / Rev Stephen
Reader
Colin Harker
Prayers
Tony Empson

**THIS WEEK WE ARE
PRAYING FOR**

King Charles and Queen
Camilla, our link Parish of St
Paul, Bugwema, and their Priest
Rev Osije; Bishops Toby and
Smitha; Rev Paul and Rev
Stephen; the staff and pupils at
St Andrews Junior and Infant
Schools, the residents of
Empsall Row

and for

Graham Davis, Adam Ayres,
Margaret Bancroft, Christine
Palethorpe, Nigel Ashworth,
Richard Green, Bill Braviner
and for all those caring for
them.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

11th Sheila Singleton,
16th Malcolm Sargeant,

BIRTHDAY

12th Tony Empson
Bill Wells

NEXT WEEK

Reader
Dereck Frearson
Prayers
Susan Empson

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SUNG EVENSONG
Next Sunday, 17th May, there will be a Sung
Evensong at 6.30pm
Everybody is invited.

May 10th Easter 6

Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen**

First Reading - 1 Peter 3:13-22

Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. 'Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.' But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behaviour in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits – to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolises baptism that now saves you also – not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience towards God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand – with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

Gospel - John 14:15-21

'If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.'

Post-communion

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**