

S⁺Mary's Church Wexham

16 August 2026, Patronal Festival



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge)
10am – Family Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge)

Hymns for 10am today:- 59, 467, 295, 244

Next Sunday, 23 August

8am – Holy Communion
10am – Family Communion

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Tobias, Phil, Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

READINGS

Galatians 4: 4-7 Sons and Heirs

⁴ I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ² but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father.

³ In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Luke 1: 46-55

Mary's Song of Praise: The Magnificat

⁴⁶ And Mary said,
"My soul magnifies the Lord,

⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

- ⁴⁸ for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
- ⁴⁹ for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
- ⁵⁰ And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
- ⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
- ⁵² he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
- ⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
- ⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
- ⁵⁵ as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring for ever."

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

YOUNG CHURCH - Summer Break We will now be having a Summer break until **September 6th**. As always you are welcome to the 10am service.

NOTICES

.BINGO, Monday - 7.30pm for 7.45 start. Everybody welcome.

The Bible Study. We will meet at 10 am as usual on the 18th at **Chris'** to learn how Moses and Aaron get on when they come before Pharaoh. Everyone is very welcome. My phone number is 07790366241.

THERE WILL BE NO COMMUNITY HUB in AUGUST

We so enjoyed **Churchyard Care** on 1st August that there's to be another get-together **from 10.00am until mid-day on Saturday 29th August!** If you'd like to give us a hand, we'd love to welcome you for as long as you can spare between those times. More details are on the website

Emmaus Fellowship Group is not meeting during August.

Ride and Stride, Saturday 12th September

Walkers: meet at St. Mary's at 10am to walk to Harvey Memorial Hall in George Green. Others will join us there, (approx. 10.25am). All walk to car park in Langley Park. Walkers stop for a drink. Picnic time for the families. Walkers then carry on to St. Margaret's, Iver Heath for cup of tea, then back to join the picnic, if time allows. Transport to be provided for anyone needing a lift, in either direction. Sponsor forms will be available from Sue on Sunday. This is a national event organised by the Historic Churches Trust who have been very generous with our grant requests. St. Mary's retain half of sponsor money for church funds.

Luxurious Afternoon Tea on September 19th

Tickets are now on sale, for our Luxurious Afternoon Tea, at £10 each, from Jane or Chris. Please purchase asap so we can plan ahead. Many thanks! Chris and Jane.