

Today's Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	May 15 th	– Acts 11:1-18; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35.
Monday	16 th	– Numbers 9:15-end, 10:33-end; Luke 4:38-end.
Tuesday	17 th	-- Numbers 11:1-33; Luke 5:1-11.
Wednesday	18 th	-- Numbers 12; Luke 5:12-26.
Thursday	19 th	– Numbers 13:1-3, 17-end; Luke 5:27-end.
Friday	20 th	– Numbers 14:1-25; Luke 6:1-11.
Saturday	21 st	– Numbers 14:26-end; Luke 6:12-26.

CHURCH SERVICES

May 15th	9am St Ethelbert Falkenham Holy Communion 10am St Mary Newbourne Morning Prayer 10am St Martin Nacton Morning Prayer 10-30am All Saints Waldringfield Holy Communion
May 22nd	10am All Saints Hemley Morning Prayer 10am St Mary Bucklesham Morning Prayer 10am St Mary & St Martin Kirton Holy Communion 6pm St Peter Levington Evensong. Jubilate Choir

A Prayer for Ukraine

from Archbishop Justin Welby and Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen**

May Events.

May 15th -21st Christian Aid Week

Events as follows:

May 15th 6pm Service at Trinity Methodist Church, Orwell Road, Felixstowe. All welcome to pray and give thanks for the work of Christian Aid

May 21st Street Collection, stalls with music, at The Triangle, Felixstowe

There are gift envelopes in each church. Filled envelopes to be returned to Sandra at the Benefice Service on May 29th.

Tuesday May 17th Benefice Book Club 2pm.

Tuesday May 17th Christianity Explored Kirton Church Hall 7pm

Tuesday May 24th Christianity Explored Kirton Church Hall 7pm

Tuesday May 31st Christianity Explored **No Meeting**

St Ethelbert Way:

On the fourth stage of the pilgrimage, the St Ethelbert Cross was walked to St Mary's, Newbourne, where it will remain until its next move to St Mary's, Bucklesham, on **Sunday 15th May** from Newbourne: Morning Prayer at 10.00am and then a 70 minute walk, over rolling fields.

A small replica cross is left at each church that we visit and these, together with the main cross, will be taken to the Cathedral for the Benefice Service of Choral Evensong on 11th September.

May 15th 11.00am Newbourne to Bucklesham

May 22nd 3.00pm Bucklesham to Levington

6.00pm Evensong at St Peter with the Jubilate Choir

May 29th Special Breakfast in Levington then walk to St Martin Nacton:

Benefice Service **10-30am** at St Martin Nacton

Psalm 16

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge;
I have said to the Lord, 'You are my lord, all my good depends on you.'
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble in heart.
- 3 Though the idols are legion that many run after,
their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
neither make mention of their names upon my lips.
- 4 The Lord himself is my portion and my cup;
in your hands alone is my fortune.
- 5 My share has fallen in a fair land;
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 6 I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel,
and in the night watches he instructs my heart.
- 7 I have set the Lord always before me;
he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.
- 8 Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices;
my flesh also shall rest secure.
- 9 For you will not abandon my soul to Death,
nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.
- 10 You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is the fullness of joy
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.