



ST EDWARD'S
CHEDDLETON

Pew Sheet

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

It's wonderful to have you with us this morning, as we gather to worship together in this beautiful parish church. Don't hesitate to speak to our sidesperson if there is anything you need, and please do come and join us in the Choir House for refreshments after the service.

A loop system is installed in Church. If you wear a hearing aid, please tune it to 'T'. If you need gluten free communion wafers, please make yourself known to the vicar, a churchwarden or any church officials.

Today's Team

President

Preacher

Readers

Organist

Duty Warden

Server

Sidesperson

Intercessions

Refreshments

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H y m n s

Mission Praise

God is Working His Purpose Out	189 (<i>omit iii</i>)
Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord	50
Thy Hand, O God, Has Guided	705
Bread is Blessed and Broken	<i>See below</i>
To God Be the Glory!	708

Bread is blessed and broken, wine is blessed and poured

take this and remember Christ the Lord.

T h o u g h t s & P r a y e r s

Kindly remember in your prayers the school and their families,
and the wider school community.

Prayers have also been asked for **Erica, Christine, Sarah, Deb, Mollie, Jean, Barbara, Andrew P, Hannah, Lyn, Andrew, Karen, Sylvia Goodliffe, and Ester Young,**

We pray, too, for **Barbara Hutchinson, Raymond Billings, Vivien Edwards and Evelyn Stretch**
who have died recently.

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

Genesis

8.1-19

God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and all the domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided; the fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, and the waters gradually receded from the earth. At the end of one hundred and fifty days the waters had abated; and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. The waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

31.1-5

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.

**2 Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.**

3 Be my strong rock, a fortress to save me,
for you are my rock and my stronghold;
guide me, and lead me for your name's sake.

**4 Take me out of the net
that they have laid secretly for me,
for you are my strength.**

5 Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

Readings continued

Acts

7.55–end

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.'

When he had said this, he died.

Readings continued

John

14.1-14

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

What's On @ St Edward's

Monday
4 May

NO Morning Prayer
NO Community Café

Tuesday
5 May

Morning Prayer 8:30am

Wednesday
6 May

Morning Prayer **8:00am!**
Bell Ringing Practice 7:15pm

Thursday
7 May

Funeral of Raymond Billings 2pm

Friday
8 May

NO Morning Prayer
NO Holy Communion

Saturday
9 May

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Sunday
10 May

Joint Eucharist 11am at St Edward's
(please note change of location)

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday
17 May

Parish Eucharist 9:15am

Sunday
24 May

Parish Eucharist 11am

Sunday
31 May

Parish Eucharist 11am

Sunday
7 June

Parish Eucharist 9:15am

Sunday
14 June

Parish Eucharist 11am

Notices

Funeral of Evelyn Stretch

The funeral service for Evelyn Stretch will take place at Carmountside Crematorium on Friday 15 May at 2:30pm.

Evelyn was a much-loved and long-standing member of our church family, as well as being devoted to the Mothers' Union and the choir. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Choral Evensong

We warmly invite musicians of all ages, from first-timers to seasoned performers, to join us our choir for our next service of Choral Evensong on **Wednesday, 24 June at 3:30 pm.**

Rehearsals take place on 13 May, 21 May, 28 May, 10 June and 18 June (6:30pm).

Very Final Call: Parish Retreat

We will need to confirm numbers for our parish retreat (**25-28 June**) at the Community of the Resurrection (Mirfield, West Yorkshire) this week. Please do consider joining us for this time of prayer, study, fellowship and refreshment!

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church.

For more information, please speak to Revd Henry.

Leek Show: Saturday 25 July

We're excited to be making **bug hotels** with the children as part of the Churches Together stall at this year's Leek Show. To help us create lots of cosy homes for our little creatures, we would be very grateful for donations of:

- Clean **plastic bottles** (e.g. drinks/mayonnaise/ketchup bottles, or similar)
 - **Pine cones**
 - **Pieces of dry bark**

Please make sure all plastic items are washed and ready for the children to handle safely. Donations can be given to **Pam or Agnes** - thank you so much for your support!

A Walk through Creation

We will be joining other local churches for a joint prayer initiative between 9 and 12 July. Please do put these dates into your diaries, and look out for more information in the coming weeks.