



Sunday 17 May Easter 7

Theme for today

This morning in the period between Ascension and Pentecost, we look forward to the promise of God's Spirit in both the New and Old Testaments.

9.00am Mattins
John Manning
Ezekiel 47 v 1-11
John 4 v 1-42

10.30am **Holy Communion CW with Children's Group**
John Manning
John 4 v 1-42
Ezekiel 47 v 1-11

6.00pm Holy Communion CW
Rev Tim Ward
Ephesians 1 v 15-end
John 17 v 1-11

Set Prayer for Today

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:
Please pray for the Richards' family, especially for Levi, along with, Fliss Davies for strength & healing.

Pray for our Community:

The Ridings, Fontwell Close and The Chase, Fontwell

ST MARYS EVENTS

Tuesday 19 May

8.15am Zoom Parish Prayer Meeting. Please email Tim Ward vicar@stmaryswalberton.org.uk if you need a link which stays the same throughout the month.

9.00am Churchyard Working Party. Churchyard working group working on today. Contact Peter Brown 551829.

No Games Evening. Next games evening is in July.

7.00pm Walberton APCM in Church. Please speak to Tim if you wish to stand for PCC, Deanery Synod or Churchwarden.

Wednesday 20 May

10.30am Morning Home Group. We are looking at questions Jesus asked. If you are attending, please can you email Vanessa who is hosting this term. vchurch@btopenworld.com 07717 075848. We will then take a one week break.

Thursday 21 May

10.00am Little Lambs in the Church for pre-school children, babes and their carers. Come and enjoy songs, crafts, story, coffee and chat.

Friday 22 May

10.30am Coffee Stop. Come and enjoy tea and coffees and a chat in the Pavilion. Any profits go to charity. Post Office is open from 9am –12 noon.

Tuesday 26 May

10.30-12noon Fontwell Coffee Morning at Fontwell Community Centre. All welcome.

Tuesday 2 June

9.15am Outreach Action Group at Sandra Cooke's house.

7.00pm Walberton PCC at Church.

Sunday 21 June

Open Gardens 1pm till 5pm. Would you be able to welcome visitors to our church for an hour? Please speak to Tim.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

~ Appointment of next Bishop of Chichester: Bishop Martin retires at the end of May, and as a diocesan family we are beginning the search for his successor. Have your say in the appointment at tinyurl.com/next-bishop It will take only a few minutes to complete, and it is open until 26 May. We welcome responses from everyone.

~ New Wine 2026 - 28 July to 2 August. (option to pack and go the morning of 3 August which many of us do).

Do come to Somerset with us for a time of fun, friends and family as we encounter Jesus in new and wonderful ways and have quality time together. Camp or stay off site in a B and B. Children love it, young people love it, adults love it, we all love it. You'll come back refreshed and yes maybe exhausted, but you won't regret going. Please talk to Caroline Sewell who is intending to go for costs and logistics or to Sandra Cooke for an idea of what it is like.

The Support Fund is able to offer help with costs (upto one third) see Tim. This is a New Wine Event.

~ **AV project at St Mary's** As church members will know a sub-group of the PCC has been working on a project to upgrade St Mary's audiovisual equipment. We plan to have modern loudspeakers, projector, screen etc which will both improve the quality of what we see and hear, and also reduce risks by removing trailing electric cables and eliminating the need for the projector to be in the main aisle. We are almost ready to submit our faculty application to the diocese to progress the work. The cost will be around £25 000 with funding underpinned by the legacies we received last year. We'll also approach some grant-making charities and ask for support from the congregation. If you would like to ask any questions please approach Tim, Jean, Steve, Martin or Brendan.

Our Vision

"We aim to be a growing church: growing in the love of God as we grow in prayer, in understanding of our faith, and in the use of the gifts each has been given; growing in love for our community as we grow in service, in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ"

Services for Next Week

24 May Pentecost Sunday

10.30am All Age Holy Communion CW Julie Allday

6.00pm Evening Prayer BCP Rev Tim Ward

CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer

Parish News Deadline for the June 2026 issue is May 10
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Newsheet deadline:
Thursdays 9.30am

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Weds, Thurs & Fri
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