

Welcome

Sunday, 14 May, 2017

The Fifth Sunday of Easter (white)

EAST BARNET 
PARISH CHURCH
St Mary the Virgin

www.smeb.org.uk

The season of Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, which is the foundation of the Christian faith. There are fifty days of Eastertide where we learn more of how death is swallowed up in victory, and of our new birth into a living hope through the resurrection.

10.00am Parish Eucharist with Sunday Club

6.30pm Evening prayer

10.00am Parish Eucharist

¶ Opening Hymn

385 O praise ye the Lord

¶ 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**

¶ First Reading

Acts 7.55-end

¶ Psalm 31.1-5, 15-16

- 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.
- 15 **'My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**
- 16 "Make your face to shine upon your servant, and save me for your mercy's sake."

¶ Second Reading

1 Peter 2.2-10

¶ Gospel

John 14.1-14

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."

¶ Offertory Hymn

535 We pray thee, heavenly Father

During this hymn a collection will be taken

¶ Prayers for healing

During the distribution of communion, members of the church's healing team will be available in the sanctuary. If you would like to receive the laying-on of hands for healing for yourself or on behalf of someone else, you are invited to go to them after receiving communion.

¶ Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life; grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

¶ Final hymn

205 He who would valiant be



6.30pm Evening Prayer

¶ Psalm 147

- 1 Alleluia.
How good it is to make music for our God, how joyful to honour him with praise.
- 2 **The Lord builds up Jerusalem and gathers together the outcasts of Israel.**
- 3 He heals the broken-hearted and binds up all their wounds.
- 4 **He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.**
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his wisdom is beyond all telling.
- 6 **The Lord lifts up the poor, but casts down the wicked to the ground.**
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the lyre;
- 8 **Who covers the heavens with clouds; and prepares rain for the earth;**
- 9 Who makes grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve our needs.
- 10 **He gives the beasts their food and the young ravens when they cry.**
- 11 He takes no pleasure in the power of a horse, no delight in human strength;

- 12 **But the Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their trust in his steadfast love.**
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen

¶ First reading

Revelation 21.1-14

¶ Second reading

Luke 2.25-32

¶ 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**

¶ Please pray for

All victims of war and famine, and refugees.

Those who have asked for our prayers

John; Trevor and Luke; Janet; Don, Jilly and family; Deborah and family; Joan; Risi, Victoria and Philip; Risi; Agneta and family; Basirato

RIP

Freda Dougherty; Norma Leveredge

Anniversary of death

Martin Horton, Dorothy Chaves, Evelyn Crook, Harry Green, Brian Ayers

Those living in

Grindleford Avenue, Haslemere Avenue, Hereford Avenue

¶ Chipping Barnet Food Bank

Food banks have made the headlines recently as increasing numbers are struggling to cope on low incomes, or with benefit delays and problems. Our local foodbank provides emergency food to those in crisis and also gives to a refuge for those fleeing domestic violence. They currently have the following **urgent** shortages:

Tinned fruit, spaghetti, potatoes, rice pudding; instant coffee; jars of jam or honey

They have plenty of beans, soup and pasta. Many thanks for your ongoing generosity in supporting the Food Bank in its work.

Notices & Information

¶ Spring into Summer Concert

Admission with programme costs £5 on the door, and refreshments are available. All concerts start here at 3pm.

Our next concert is **next week**

Andrew Sheranian

Organ recital

Music by Bach, Herbert Howells, and others

25 June – Arbory String Quartet

23 July – Enfield Brass Band

Many thanks to Alan and Lesley Danson for organising these concerts, which as usual feature musicians of a very high standard.

¶ Formerly of this parish

It has been announced that the Rev'd Canon Richard Watson, who was Rector here until 2011, will be moving from being Sub-Dean of St Albans Abbey to a post as Vicar of St Saviour's, St Albans, in the autumn. Please pray for Richard, Linda and the Cathedral at this time of transition.

¶ Pilgrim course

From the beginning of June, a group will be starting to study the Pilgrim course. This is a set of study sessions designed for anyone who wants to explore the Christian faith and gain a deeper understanding. It doesn't presume any significant knowledge.

Would you be interested in coming? If so, please speak to Sam. When we have an idea of how many might be interested, we can order resources and schedule the sessions.

¶ Phone mast building works

The building works to install the phone mast in the church tower will begin on 22 May and will continue for several weeks. There will be no disruption to Sunday services, although there may be some effect on weekday events.

For more information, contact the Parish Office.

¶ Church School admission

Parents and guardians of children who will be applying for admission to church schools should sign in the book confirming their attendance at our Sunday services, to support their application. The book will normally be on the font, or is available from the Churchwarden.

Famine in East Africa - Crisis Appeal

Christian Aid is working in East Africa to alleviate the worst humanitarian crisis since 1945. If you wish to donate, there are several options.

You can donate online using the link <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/donations/Donate/Step/1>

You can call 020 7523 2493 to make a **telephone donation**.

You can send cheques, Postal Orders and charity vouchers to: Christian Aid, Freepost RSUR-YSTS-KJUL, 35-41 Lower Marsh, London, SE1 7RL.

¶ Christian Aid Week and Rounders Match

This afternoon, we will be hosting an inter-church rounders match in Oak Hill Park as part of Christian Aid Week. It will take place between 1 and 3.30pm, with a team from St Mary's competing against teams from All Saints', Whetstone, St Andrew's, Southgate, and Christ Church, Southgate. Do come along and cheer/laugh!

Please pray for all those fundraising and collecting this Christian Aid Week, and for the homes they will visit.

¶ A Christian Aid Week prayer from 1958

Let us pray
for grateful hearts
for sympathetic hearts
for generous hearts
and wills quick to help
and persistent in effort.
That our nation and government
may give generously for relief of refugees
and be ready to help them find new homes
and new homelands.
That all nations may live
free from fear and free from want. **Amen**

Notices & Information

¶ Next Sunday – 21 April, 2017

The Sixth Sunday of Easter (white)
Rogation Sunday

10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

The Call

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life;
Such a Way as gives us breath,
Such a Truth as ends all strife,
Such a Life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength;
Such a Light as shows a Feast,
Such a Feast as mends in length,
Such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart;
Such a Joy as none can move,
Such a Love as none can part,
Such a Heart as joys in love.

George Herbert

¶ This week

Daily Office

Morning Prayer 8.45am Tue—Fri
Evening Prayer 5.15pm Mon—Fri

Monday 15 May

9.30am Staff prayers and meeting
1.30pm Monday Club at Brookside

Tuesday 16 May

8.00pm Choir practice in church

Wednesday 17 May

11.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
11.30am Apthorp Lodge Communion
12.15pm Apthorp Lodge Day Centre
Communion
4.00pm Children's choir practice at
Brookside

Thursday 18 May

10.45am Holy Communion at Brookside
5.45pm Brownies at Brookside
7.30pjm Guides at Brookside

Friday 19 May

1.30pm Little Tots group at Brookside

Saturday 20 May

10am - 12.30pm Table Sale at Brookside

Rector The Rev'd James Mustard

Assistant Curate The Rev'd Sam Korn
020 3524 5410
sam.korn@cantab.net

Children's work coordinator
Claire Driscoll
07957 584516

Churchwardens
Chris Mears
020 8368 6200
Roger Melling
020 8449 2283

Church Hill Herald

churchhillherald@gmail.com

Parish Office Margaret Cranfield
(Parish administrator)
020 8441 4401
parishoffice.smeb@gmail.com

St Mary's Parish Office
Brookside Methodist Church
2 Cat Hill
East Barnet
EN4 8JB

The parish office is open 10—12 weekdays
St Mary's is a registered charity, number 1143134