`Warm Welcome to St Mary's Church, Ecclesfield` Following Jesus; Celebrating Life; Welcoming All

18th May 2025 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Prayer & Praise: May Queen

Leader:

Preacher:

Tim Gill / Chris Harper Chris Leach Tim Gill



6.30pmEvening WorshipLeader:Katharine LonsboroughPreacher:Pat Clarke

Holy Communion – Thursday at 9.30am

As you prepare for worship today you might like to reflect on this prayer.

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.**

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10.00am Reading: Hymns:	Prayer & Praise: May Queen Revelation 21:1-7 97, 114, 514, (Children's Hymn: Sheet: Step by Step), 637, (Sheet: O lord our God), 345, 416		
6.30pm Readings:	Evening Worship Daniel 6: 6-23		Mark 15: 46-16: 8
	Мау		<u>Diary</u>
Monday	19th		Major Churches Meeting St Lawrence Hatfield.
Tuesday	20th	10.00am 10.00am	to 12.00pm Coffee Shop to 12.00 noon Garden Tidy
Wednesday	v 21st	6.30pm	Chapeltown Cubs visit to Church.
Thursday	22nd	9.30am	Mid-week Communion
Friday	23rd	10.00am 10.00am	1 1
Saturday	24th	3.00pm	Wedding in Church.
Sunday	25th	10.00am 6.30pm	Sixth Sunday of Easter Eucharist Evening Worship

General Notices

Notes from the PCC:

In July we will be starting a new service of Contemplative Prayer - look out for more information.

There are two PCC Sub-groups - Finance and Fabric. Members of the PCC were invited to consider being part of one of the groups.

Any member of St Mary's Church is welcome to attend PCC Meetings or sub-groups as an observer.

Dates for your diaries:

Saints Alive Course starts on Monday 2nd June 3.30pm in Church; Heritage Open Days - 19th, 20th & 21st September; Steel City Choristers fund-raising concert Saturday 20th September 7.00pm; Christmas Fayre Saturday 22nd November.

Results of Elections

Results of Elections at the Church Annual Parochial Meeting: Elected as Church Warden: Ann Hackett & Michael Waldron; Elected to the PCC: Chris Harper & Andrew Whittaker.

Archdeacon's Visitation

The Archdeacon's Visitation will be at Sheffield Cathedral on Thursday 26th June 7.30pm. All are invited to come along to support our wardens.

Saints Alive Course

Saints Alive Course - starting on Monday 2nd June 3.30pm. For more information see Tim.

MOTHERS' UNION.

MOTHERS' UNION. St Mary's has the honour of hosting the Ecclesfield Deanery Festival on Wednesday 11th June. It will take the form of a communion service at 2.00 pm, followed by tea and cake at the back of the church. Everyone is warmly invited to attend. Any offers of baking and/or serving cups of tea, would be gratefully appreciated. Jennifer Armeson 07944195906.

Milk Bottle Tops

Could everyone save their milk bottle tops for Cancer Research. They are recycled in West Yorkshire please place in the white tub at the back of church. Sue Harland.

Pastoral Care

During these unusual times it is difficult to be always aware of any members of the congregation who are unwell or in need of prayer, so if you know of any such concern it would be helpful if you could let Tim or Stephanie know. Thank you.

The Children's Society

The Children's Society had a very success year in 2025 raising £1,734. This was up on the year before by £300.00p. Our Christingle also did well with £430.00p. collected through the December service, which was magical with 33 children and 70 adults. and after the new year collecting Candles are still coming in. If your Box is opened in the spring could you let me know and I will collect it, or bring it to Church. Thank you for all your help and care. Pat Blackburn.

Prayer Requests.

All prayer requests are welcome, but we ask that if you put a name on the list for prayer – firstly you have asked permission of the person for whom you are requesting prayer, secondly that your initials are with the request and that where possible you keep us updated on progress. Due to the number of people needing prayer we are now having a weekly list and a monthly one. If you have requested prayer and the name seems to have been removed and they are still in need of prayer please ask for the name to be put back. Generally names will be on for four weeks but that can always be extended. Thank you for your understanding.

Would you like to donate but don't carry cash? Not a problem

You can donate with your credit or debit card using our contactless giving device at the back of church. Alternatively, just scan this QR code using your mobile phone to donate.

Thank you for your generosity!

For further information speak to our Treasurer, Chris Harper



Revelation 21:1-7

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God, and they will be my children.

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 Colours of day dawn into the mind, the sun has come up, the night is behind. Go down in the city, into the street, and let's give the message to the people we meet.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn, open the door, let Jesus return, take seeds of his Spirit, let the fruit grow, tell the people of Jesus, let his love show.

- Go through the park, on into the town; the sun still shines on; it never goes down. The light of the world is risen again; the people of darkness are needing our friend.
- Open your eyes, look into the sky, the darkness has come, the sun came to die. The evening draws on, the sun disappears, but Jesus is living, and his Spirit is near.

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Come on and celebrate his gift of love, we will celebrate the Son of God who loved us and gave us life. We'll shout your praise, O King, you give us joy nothing else can bring; we'll give to you our offering in celebration praise.

Come on and celebrate, celebrate, celebrate and sing, celebrate and sing to the King. *(Repeat)*

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Only by grace can we enter, only by grace can we stand; not by our human endeavour, but by the blood of the Lamb. Into your presence you call us, you call us to come. Into your presence you draw us, and now by your grace we come, now by your grace we come. Lord, if you mark our transgressions, who would stand? Thanks to your grace we are cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. *(Repeat)* Step by Step Children's Hymn

Chorus

Step by step, on and on, we will walk with Jesus till the journey's done. Step by step, day by day, Because Jesus is the living way.

1. He's the one to follow, in His footsteps we will tread. Don't worry about tomorrow, Jesus knows the way ahead, O-oh

Chorus

2. He will never leave us, And His love He'll always show. So wherever Jesus leads us, That's the way we want to go, O-oh

Chorus

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1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me lie in pastures green, he leads me by the still, still waters, his goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone, for your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.

- He guides my ways in righteousness, and he anoints my head with oil; and my cup – it overflows with joy, I feast on his pure delights.
- And though I walk the darkest path –
 I will not fear the evil one,
 for you are with me, and your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know.

O lord our God

 O Lord our God, how majestic is Your name The earth is filled with Your glory O Lord our God, You are robed in majesty You've set Your glory above the heavens

We will magnify, we will magnify The Lord enthroned in Zion We will magnify, we will magnify The Lord enthroned in Zion

 O Lord our God, You have established a throne You reign in righteousness and splendour O Lord our God, the skies are ringing with Your praise Soon those on earth will come to worship

We will magnify...

3. O Lord our God, the world was made at Your command In You all things now hold together Now to Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb Be praise and glory and power forever

We will magnify...

 Jesus is the name we honour; Jesus is the name we praise. Majestic Name above all other names, the highest heav'n and earth proclaim that Jesus is our God.

We will glorify, we will lift him high, we will give him honour and praise. We will glorify, we will lift him high, we will give him honour and praise.

- Jesus is the name we worship; Jesus is the name we trust. He is the King above all other kings, let all creation stand and sing that Jesus is our God.
- Jesus is the Father's splendour; Jesus is the Father's joy. He will return to reign in majesty, and ev'ry eye at last will see that Jesus is our God.

 Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

- Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance; by the blood I may enter your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.
- 3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory; mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me.