

We pray for those who have recently died, and for their families and friends:
Irene Jones.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: John Schofield, John Alexander McBryde, Neville Bateman, Paul David Patterson and John Riley.

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 the truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All: Amen

Our Events This Week:

15th May 12-1pm: Holy Trinity and St Mark's APCM, Holy Trinity.

17th May, 7pm: PCC Meeting, Holy Trinity.

18th May, 2pm: MU Strawberry Tea, Community Centre. Tickets £4.

18th May, 7.30pm: Parish Quiz Night, The Blue Anchor. Teams of 4: £1 per person.

21st May, 10am: Messy Church, Holy Trinity.

22nd May, 10.30am: Christening of Arthur-Joe Houghton, Holy Trinity.



Further details of services and events can be found on our [calendar](#).



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Sunday, 15th May, 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

HYMNS: (All in the Cream Book)

- 219** Majesty, worship his majesty
82 From heaven you came
13 A new commandment I give unto you
35 Brother, sister, let me serve you

COLLECT:

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

All: Amen.

LECTIONARY READING:

Today's reading is from **The Acts of the Apostles:**

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit

fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week those who live on: All the farms, holiday homes and caravan parks in the parish.

We joyfully pray for Arthur-Joe Houghton who is to be Christened next Sunday, and for his parents and family.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Stephen, Jean Wilson, John, Olwyn, Albi, Ian, Fernando, Peter, Caroline, Nichola, Mike, Anne Deacon, Geoff Shaw, Sr Michaela at Hyning, Rosemary and Rupert.