

## News Sheet – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – The Day of Pentecost

**LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE** - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

**Thank you** to Chris and the flower team for beautiful flowers – and to the refreshment host this week...

**Christian Aid** – we thank Rob for promotion of Christian Aid Week – to everyone who contributed to Christian Aid and brought in goodies for the wonderful hamper – and to Chris W for beautiful presentation thereof ☺

**Raffle Tickets for the Christian Aid Hamper** – LAST CHANCE TO BUY – raffle to be drawn at Sunday's notices!  
*The PCC have agreed to match-fund whatever we raise through our raffle to Christian Aid...*

### **NOTICES**

**Thank you to the PCC** who met on Wednesday – the minutes will be available, but headlines – we welcomed and thanked the new PCC and after thanking Sally Woods for her diligent and committed work as Safeguarding – and Health & Safety Officer - renewed our Safeguarding commitments. We were led through and reflected upon the financial and general business of the day – approved the signage for the War Graves and thanked Jim Jeffery for his work in liaising with the War Graves Commission to signpost and maintain our churchyard war graves – and reported that we are obtaining quotes so that we can seek grant funding towards the renovation of the lychgate. Furthermore, Gerald Blues is arranging for hand rails at the war memorial steps to be fitted.

**Please continue to intentionally pray** for revival, grace and understanding of God's call on us to keep St Peter's Church flourishing....

**CHURCH & GROUNDS CLEAN-UP** – from 9am Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June – please come and contribute as you would like – all welcome and refreshments will be served.. ☺

**BARN DANCE – please tell your friends and neighbours** ☺ – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – PLEASE BUY YOUR TICKETS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE – please see poster for information – and see ROB FOR TICKETS.... This is a church fundraiser – please help us to raise funds – and have a really good-fun evening along the way – thank you so much....**This is a lovely evening and a chance to raise funds – EVEN IF YOU DON'T DANCE – THE BAND IS BRILLIANT TO LISTEN TO – AND EVERYONE ELSE DANCING WILL PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT!**

### **IF ANYONE CAN HELP WITH THE SETTING UP/FOOD PREP/HOSPITALITY**

please speak to Rob/Jacqueline

**ALL WELCOME** – please don't be prevented from coming through lack of funds – please talk to Jacqueline

**Bottles & cans wanted for Wrecclesham Fair, 9<sup>th</sup> July** – spirits, wine, beer, lager or soft drinks for **St Peter's Tombola** – donations to 45, Echo Barn Lane or The Vicarage Garage, 2 Kings Lane – or call 07979 852726 for collections – please leave name/address/telephone number with any donations – **Your support is much appreciated....**

**Jigsaws (for 19/20<sup>th</sup> October's jigsaw festival)** – a reminder that we will now be collecting completed jigsaws – please put them in the Vicarage garage or church or let us know if you would like them collected. Puzzles are available in the garage. Please speak to Jacqueline/Rob if you need any help... **Thank you for your support..**

**Messy Church for families is 4pm Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

'Gone Fishing – for people!' – if you can/would like to help, please see Jacqueline

**If anyone would like to join the team please do explore** – we have a faithful team and dedicated following of between 40-60 adults and children each session – **but could do more with additional helpers and volunteers** – please speak to Lizzy, Nicky, Vanda or Jonathan & Shirley for info on what we do – to Rob & Sam, Eddie and Pat who work in the kitchen team – and to David and Kathryn who work in hospitality and welcome/registration – something for everyone to chip in with - many hands make light-work indeed!

it's very well-established now and much enjoyable – and it's our main families work where community and relationship building happens – **WELL DONE MESSY CHURCH TEAM, YOU ARE ALL AMAZING!**

### **Forthcoming dates**

- **BARN DANCE - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Tickets** (limited numbers) are now on sale from Rob Durrant – please see poster
- **SUMMER CONCERT - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Rowledge Community Choir Summer Concert – Any donations in aid of the Dan Eley Foundation – please see notice board... (it's a lovely repertoire!)

**TODAY'S SERVICE** – 19<sup>th</sup> May

**8am** - Holy Communion

**10am** – Parish Communion for The Day of Pentecost – with refreshments in the hall afterwards

**Readings & Hymns:** There are **Pew Bibles** available to browse/follow the readings at the back of church  
*Lectionary.* – Acts 2.1-21; Ps 104.24-34,35b; Romans 8.22-27; John 20.19-23

*Hymns – sung by St Martin's Voices, the words are on screen because different verses are sometimes used...*  
Come down O love divine; The spirit lives to set us free; I cannot tell; O God you search me; Now thank we all our God

### The Collect

#### **For Christian Aid**

Loving God, help us to hear the voices of those enduring extreme poverty even though it is hard to listen to stories of pain. Show us how compassion for others can bring healing and fullness of life for all. Help us to understand that we are one through your love, for every human being is loved by you, beyond measure. **Amen**

#### **For Pentecost**

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 26<sup>th</sup> May**

**8am** - Holy Communion

**10.00am** – Parish Communion for Trinity Sunday – with refreshments in the hall afterwards

## **OTHER NOTICES**

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY – LOOKING AHEAD**

- **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm** – Parish high-tea at the vicarage – sandwiches, scones, cake and tea – please bring your own glass and tipple if you would like a little summer tipple... ☺
- **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July** – St Peter's Songs of Praise – back by popular demand, we sing our favourite hymns with refreshments at the interval...
- **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** – St Peter's Tea Tent at Music in the Meadow, Gostrey Park
- **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – Last Night at the Proms is back! – bring your proms hampers as we enjoy local music for first half & then livestream the finale of the Last Night at the Proms from the Albert Hall – more info to follow

**Farnham Assist – 2024 Programme now available by the notice boards** – Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers

**Calling all singers....** Do you like to sing? Come and join our informal choir. No experience needed, you don't need to read music or commit to regular Sundays. We will meet at 9.30 before the service to run through the hymns with David - just turn up. For more information please contact me on 07548830018 or email [carolzeiher@sky.com](mailto:carolzeiher@sky.com).

**THIS WEEK'S THANK YOUs...** T to all of us for being there for each other and doing what we can for the love of the Lord and our St Peter's Church! ☺

- Thank you so much for Rob and Sam for arranging a printer to be set up in the vestry – what a blessing! ☺

### **PRAYERS FOR:**

Rob Gilroy, Andrew Jones, Beryl Tate, Andrew Steward, Gerald Martin, Zoe Perkins – for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness...

**RIP – Jim Read** - we hold Jim's brother Michael on our hearts and in our prayers... **Jim's funeral will take place at 11am on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June at Redan Chapel, Redan Road Aldershot followed by refreshments at Leverton Hall** – (the Aldershot Crematorium is being renovated and services are relocated in the meantime)

**Years Mind:** We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time....: *(please let Jacqueline know if you would like someone remembered by name ...)*

**Please also pray for the life and work of our Church**, that we might be part of God's revival, and loving and transforming grace here in our place...

Please contact Jacqueline on [vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk](mailto:vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk) or 716431 / 07806 775974 if you have a notice to share – or if you would like to talk about something else – her day off is a Monday....

**HELP NEEDED, PLEASE – techy team rota** - we would like to extend the team - it is not as challenging as it sounds! Please do speak to Rob/Jacqueline or any of our wonderful Techy Team if you would like to know more – you will be on the rota roughly once every 4/5 weeks – you can work with another person if you like to be in a team!

**WRECCLESHAM OVER 60'S** – On 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

**Farnham Foodbank** BASKET IS LOCATED ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE CHURCH BY THE DOOR

**Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted –** thank you for all that you contribute –

**FOR MAY:** Tinned potatoes - Instant mash potato - UHT sponge puddings - UHT juice - Children's toothpaste - Toothbrushes

- **Please** continue to put donations in the basket and Lizzy Hendry will kindly be taking the food to the Foodbank – thank you everyone...

**Contact:** mail: [info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk) or call 07901 58153 visit our website [farnham.foodbank.org.uk](http://farnham.foodbank.org.uk)

### **GENERAL NOTICES**

- **Diocese News** - If you would like to receive news and information from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

### **Lecionary Readings – 19<sup>TH</sup> May – The Day of Pentecost**

First Reading: Acts 2.1-21 (Pew Bible 1097)

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Second Reading: Romans 8.22-27 (Pew Bible 1139)

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. <sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Gospel Reading: John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15 (pew Bible p1088)

Jesus spoke to his disciples: <sup>26</sup>'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. <sup>4</sup>I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. <sup>12</sup>I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'