



St Peter and St Paul
Great Missenden

St Mary's Ballinger

Little Hampden

Weekly Newsheet

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17th May 2020

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Calendar 17th to 24th May

God of Compassion,
be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Sunday 17th May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

10.00am Parish Communion

Readings: Acts 17:22-31; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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10.45 MAP session on Zoom, talking about VE Day, Peace and craft activities involving marshmallows! Please contact Chloe Lewis for details.

6.00pm A Short Time of Prayer

Evensong readings to follow at home: Zechariah 8:1-13; Revelation 21:22-22:5

All services will take place live via [Facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch/live_videos](https://www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch/live_videos)

Wednesday 20th May

10.30am Coffee 'n' Share via Zoom. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).

Thursday 21st May

12.30pm Ascension Day Livestream Service on Facebook.

Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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Notices

10am Service Live by Telephone

To hear the service, phone 020 3481 5237 at any time between 9.45am and 9.55am. You will hear a message welcoming you to Zoom and asking you for the Meeting ID which is 830 6434 9334 followed by #. It will ask you for participant ID – just press #. And the password is 396381 followed by #. You should be able to hear Rosie and Tim leading the service when it starts at 10am, and hopefully you will be able to chat with Elizabeth and anyone else listening in by phone before we start. If you get stuck, you can phone Elizabeth on 01494 890171.

Online Giving

As with all charities, our Parish is taking a hit financially. Thank you if you are giving regularly, you are crucial and greatly valued. You can now give money to church securely online using a debit or credit card at www.missendenchurch.org.uk/giving and can gift aid online if you are a tax payer. If you usually give cash to church and are in a position to give online, your gift would be much appreciated. If you would like to set up a standing order, please contact Harriet (office@missendenchurch.org.uk or leave a message at 01494 862 352).

Remember the Knitted Poppies...

We are planning to decorate the pulpit again with a rainbow when we are allowed back into church. It would be great if anyone who knits, crochets or sews could make some squares, please. Each square should measure 4x4 inches (10.5x10.5cm) and be a single plain colour from the rainbow colours (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo or violet), not multi-coloured please. If you have wool/fabric in any of these colours, please let me know to avoid having lots of red and blue etc. The squares can be put through my letterbox at 63 Church Street, Great Missenden. Any queries, please do phone me on 01494 868 237. Thanks. Brenda.

Music from St Peter and St Paul with Prayers for Reflection

This CD has been compiled with individuals from our choir and organ music from St Peter and St Paul, interspersed with prayers for reflection. We are making this beautiful CD for private use, knowing that many people are missing church and church music during the pandemic. The total play time is around 35 minutes. To request your copy, please contact Harriet Lemon at office@missendenchurch.co.uk or leave a message at 01494 862 352. We are suggesting a nominal donation of £5, which you can either: give at www.missendenchurch.org.uk/giving; send by bank transfer; or pay by cash or cheque to 'Great Missenden PCC' delivered to 2 Walnut Close, Great Missenden, HP16 9AL. Alternatively, the person delivering your CD in a physically distanced way can collect your cash or cheque. We will ask you to cover the postage and packing costs if we need to post your CD outside Great Missenden, Prestwood and the immediate surrounding area.

Occasional Readings

Please do have a listen to the Occasional Readings which can be found on both the church website (via the Virtual Church page) and Facebook page. If you would like to volunteer to read or have any suggestions for readings, please let David Harris know (david.m.harris@btinternet.com or 01494 868 237).

Thank you from Carola Clark

A very belated thank you from Carola for all the kind messages and cards following the passing of her brother, Andrew.

Need IT Help

Do you need help with IT? Just let Harriet know and she will line you up with an IT buddy. To contact Harriet, either email her at office@missendenchurch.org.uk or leave a message on 01494 862 352.

Kings College London COVID Tracker App

Help provide data for possible trends in symptoms and cases for the NHS and Scientists.

Currently there are 3.5 million users, but they need more older users to get a better representation of the population. Harriet and Elizabeth do it each day; it only takes 10 minutes to set up and a minute to use each day to report.

You can find both Android and Apple app downloads at <http://covid.joinzoe.com/>

Positive Things

Using Facebook – Mistaken Impression by Amanda Brown

'I have been reflecting on how much we are extending our tech abilities (or otherwise!) in these challenging times. I had been under the mistaken impression that not being a 'Facebook person', I would not be able to get on to the live streamed services. A big thanks to Elizabeth for putting me right. A quick click on the link and I was through – first to Tricia and Elizabeth's conversation and prayers and subsequently to the 10.00 a.m. services with Rosie and her husband. Hugely appreciated. We have even succeeded in getting a link cable from our laptop into our TV so that we can watch it on the big screen, which was especially appreciated by Isobel, my 96 year old mother in law, who lives with us, and who volunteered that she thought it a great shame that the newspaper hadn't told everyone Rosie was on the telly each week!

Another tech challenge came along courtesy of the Great Missenden Choral Society with whom I sing. We have all been very sad not to be able to perform our April concert, for which we had worked so hard to prepare with our new and inspiring music director, Alex Flood. We decided a virtual drinks party on Zoom might help, to be held when we would otherwise have been sitting in the Oldham Hall having our post-concert evening. Nearly 30 members joined in the fun (and occasional chaos!). The committee had no idea how it would go, but it was lovely to see one another and to share how we'd been getting on in these new circumstances.'

We would love to hear what you have been doing to keep yourselves positive. Please email emma.ife@hotmail.com or call Emma on 01494 864 132 so that we can include these in the next newsheet.

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