



# ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE



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Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**Easter 5**



Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe – LIVE.  
We hope you will enjoy the service.

**10am Sung Eucharist**

**TODAY WE USE THE ONLINE SERVICE SHEET**

Procession  
Offertory  
Communion  
Recessional

Good Christians all rejoice and sing  
O Jesus, I have promised  
The strife is o'er, the battle won  
To God be the glory

Celebrant: Father Damian. Preacher: Fr Gerard. Readers: Bridgett & Tony Grove & Mtr Jo. Intercessions: Jane Lowe.

*Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.*

*Children's Colouring Sheets are in the downloadable Family Pack.*

**8pm Compline** Led by Fr Damian.

**ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS** – Please remember in your prayers:

**The Sick (immediate need):** Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, Alice Armstrong, Sarah & Ari, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Dylan Baxendale, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, Richard, John Knott, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** David Oldfield, Sean Hudson, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Matthew, Caroline Wareham, Patti, Pat Harnden & all struggling with Coronavirus.

**Giving thanks for recovery:** John Knight.

**General Prayer Requests:** All affected by terrorism & natural disasters. St Mary's finances & challenge of meeting increasing parish share. Our PCC & After School Club. Trade negotiations following Brexit. **The Elderly & Infirmary:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Evelyn, Rita, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Eileen Margaret Jarvis, Frances Phoebe Dunning, Janet Eve Constance Stuffsins, Donna Marshall, David Barker, Pamela Miller, Peter Bowman, Kim Bliss, Anne-Marie Butler, Jennifer Hazel Pitman, Richard Summers, Richard Lega, Rob Castledine & Sue Britton. **Anniversaries of Death:** Colin John Doran, Stanley Collingwood, Alfred Garney, Dianna Camden, John Camden, Edith Bolds & Daisy Florence Stevens.

## HYMN 1

*Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955)*

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

The Lord of life is ris'n today; death's mighty stone is rolled away;  
let ev'ry tongue rejoice and say: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

We praise in songs of victory/ that Love, that Life, which cannot die,  
and sing with hearts uplifted high: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord/  
the life laid down, the life restored: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

## HYMN 2

*John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)*

O Jesus, I have promised/ to serve thee to the end;/ be thou forever  
near me, my Master and my Friend;/ I shall not fear the battle/ if thou  
art by my side, nor wander from the pathway/ if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near; I see the sights  
that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me,  
around me and within; but Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my  
soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking/ in accents clear and still, above the  
storms of passion, the murmurs of self will. O speak to reassure me,  
to hasten or control; O speak and make me listen, thou guardian of  
my soul.

## DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 10am Morning Worship with Fr Gerard  
Tuesday 10am Morning Worship with Mtr Jo;  
7pm Emmaus Course evening session 2 –  
"Jesus – his life and ministry" Facebook Live  
Wednesday 10am Said Eucharist with Fr Damian;  
11am Emmaus Course daytime session 2 –  
"Jesus – his life and ministry"  
Thursday 9am Funeral of Pam Miller R.I.P.; 2:30pm  
Funeral of Janet Eve Constance Stuffsins R.I.P.;  
7pm Eucharist with hymns with Fr Damian  
Friday 10am Morning Worship with Mtr Jo; 12:30pm  
Funeral of Frances Phoebe Dunning R.I.P.  
Saturday 10am Said Eucharist with Fr Gerard;  
Fr D off duty today

**Live-streamed via Facebook & generally  
available later at St Mary's website.**



THIS IS THE SPIRIT  
OF TRUTH.



**Next Sunday – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**10am Sung Eucharist** Live-streamed

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/>

**11:30am Family Service** with Mtr Jo

**7pm Compline** with Fr Gerard

**Christian Aid Week: 10th – 16th May 2020...pray and give!**

O Jesus, thou hast promised/ to all who follow thee, that where thou  
art in glory/ there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised/  
to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and  
my Friend.

And let me see thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own; my hope  
to follow duly/ is in thy strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end; and then in heav'n receive me, my Saviour  
and my friend.

## HYMN 3

*transl. from Latin: Francis Pott (1832-1909)*

The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the Victor's triumph won;  
O let the song of praise be sung: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions  
has dispersed. Let shouts of praise and joy outburst. Alleluia...

On the third morn he rose again, glorious in majesty to reign;  
O let us swell the joyful strain: Alleluia...

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy  
servants free, that we may live and sing to thee. Alleluia...

## HYMN 4

*Thomas Obadiah Chilsholm (1866-1960)*

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world  
that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life gate that we may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise  
the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the  
Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he  
has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the  
promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *Refrain*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great  
our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater  
will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain*

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## 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 7.55–60

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM Psalm 31.1–5, 15–16

**R Let your face shine on your servants  
[and we shall be saved].**

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me. **R**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of  
your name, lead me and guide me. **R**

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for  
me, for you are my tower of strength. Into your hands I  
commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord,  
O God of truth. **R**

My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of  
my enemies, and from those who persecute me. Make  
your face to shine upon your servant,  
and in your loving-kindness save me. **R**

## SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.2–10

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like new-born infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk,  
so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you  
have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living  
stone, though rejected by mortals  
yet chosen and precious in God's sight. Like living  
stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house,  
to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices



In celebration of VE Day 75 our Church  
Tower will be lit up Friday - Sunday with  
crenulation lights and the churchyard  
decorated with bunting.

acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,' and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL John 14.1–14

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his 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.' This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## POST COMMUNION

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.**



Unlike some neighbouring Dioceses, our clergy are still not allowed to enter churches for prayer or to film/live-stream worship. Here in Guildford Diocese, Bishop Andrew will decide the best way forward following the Prime Minister's announcement this coming Sunday 7pm (hence Compline 8pm) and meetings of the regional bishops and Bishop's Council on Monday. We await further