

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

28th April 2024 – 5th Sunday of Easter

THIS WEEK

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings: Acts 8:26-40 John 15:1-8

Hymns: Jesus calls us here to meet him

MP 792 You are the vine

MP 4 Abide with me

MP 463 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

We hope to be able to live stream the 10am service on Facebook. If so, a recording will be available to watch after end of service.

RADIO

8.30am Cross Talk on Burwell Community Radio

(repeated at 4.30pm & 7.00pm on Monday)

<http://burwell.radio/>

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 7.30pm Bellingring Practice

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion

Thurs 9.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Funeral of Jean Worledge at St. Mary's

Frid 10.00am Refresh Café and lunch

Sat 9.00am Village Green Prayers

SUNDAY WORSHIP 5TH MAY 2024

8.30am Holy Communion at Reach

10.00am Café Church at St. Mary's

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- Alleluia! Christ is risen! May the Church be filled with faith and hope, for a new day has dawned, and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. May Christ's resurrection power break forth in newness of life. May all that is broken be transformed. May all that is distorted be renewed and made whole.

- We pray for the innocent victims of war. May there be an end to hostilities between Israel and the Palestinians, we pray for all those who have lost loved ones, for those still missing and their families, for those injured, for those affected by the bombings and loss of homes and for the millions of people in Gaza that are on the brink of famine as they struggle to access food. May aid reach them quickly and may world leaders act to ensure no one goes hungry. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for peace and the laying down of weapons.

- We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for just and peaceful solutions to be reached.

- For the work of organisations, including Christian Aid, helping families around the world to overcome poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest, and there is high risk of famine including: Haiti, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan.

- As global warming increases, we pray that world leaders will continue to try to limit the long-term temperature increase which is crucial to help avoid the most damaging impacts of climate change. May they be guided by wisdom, vision & courage to work together, that justice and peace might flow like a mighty river. For urgent actions to be taken. We remember farmers whose land and livelihood has been threatened by bad weather, floods, drought and insufficient resources.

- We pray for all those who are struggling in today's difficult economic situation. May adequate immediate provision be made available, and support to find longer term solutions, so that everyone has their basic needs met for food, shelter, employment and security.

- for students who are preparing for exams. May they have the insight and perseverance that they will need in the days to come.

- We pray for our leaders as the Diocese continues the process of choosing a new Bishop of Ely, we pray that the right person will emerge to carry forward the work of Ely 2025 and beyond.

- We pray for this church, for Eleanor, Paula, Virginia, Jo and all in leadership positions, the churchwardens and the PCC.

- For those living in:- Ashgrove, Bolton Close, Low Road, Parsonage Close, Poplars Close, Roman Close, The Leys, Tunbridge Close (Burwell), Swaffham Rd (Reach)

- For those in special need: Danny, Sarah, Jackie, Neil, Don, Sonya (Anna Hopper's sister), Carol, Janice, John H, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Kate, Jenny, John D, Joanne, Ian, Jim, Pam C., Jessica.

- For His Majesty, King Charles, and Catherine, Princess of Wales as they undergo treatment for cancer, for comfort, peace and confidence in God's faithfulness.

- For the bereaved including the family and friends of Jean Worledge and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

* **Reach Fair – Mon. 6 May.** Please add your name to the lists in Church or 'phone Wendy (01638 741888) to help make a success of the Cream Teas. We need people to make scones, donate strawberry jam and helping to prepare and serve cream teas on the day.

PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer.
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