

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell  
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

12<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### THIS WEEK

**Collect:** *O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

**Readings:** Acts 1:15-17,21-26 John 17:6-19

**Hymns:** MP 152 For the beauty of the earth

Be in our midst and gather us together

(Words: Revd Ally Barrett, tune: Londonderry Air)

MP 94 Come let us sing of a wonderful love

MP 200 Great is thy faithfulness.

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion and Christian Aid Service

*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 Communion at Reach

**Thurs** 9.00am Morning Prayer

**Frid** 10.00am Refresh Café and lunch

**Sat** 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers

1.30pm Wedding of Emma & Luke

### SUNDAY WORSHIP 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am Holy Communion

4.00pm Pentecost Messy Church Family Party!

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- A Prayer for Christian Aid Week. Loving God, you call on us to build your kingdom of justice, mercy, and truth. It isn't a task for the faint-hearted. When we lose our sense of purpose, fill us with faith. When we doubt or throw up our hands in despair, fill us with hope. When we pass by our neighbour as though we did not know them, fill us with the love that turns us back and takes us to their aid. In Jesus' name, Amen.

- for Emma & Luke to be married here next Saturday; for God's blessing in all that they share together.

- 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 now in its third year of war with Russia, 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 continues, 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 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

- For those living in:- Barkways, Bloomsfield.

Copperfield Way, Cornfields, Newmarket Road, St. Mary's View, Summerfield Close, Isaacson Road, Cedar Gardens (Burwell), Ditchfield (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, Grace King and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

### FOR YOUR ATTENTION

\* A very big 'thank you' to those who helped on Bank Holiday Monday at the Reach Fair - setting-up/clearing away, to the Co-op, Waitrose, for their donations, to all who made and bought scones and jam and who helped in every way to make the 'Cream teas' a successful event. Wendy

\* **9th-19th May Thy Kingdom Come** Global ecumenical prayer movement. Prayer resources available at [www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global).

\* Please sign list at the back of church if you would like to attend **Virginia's priesting** on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm and would like to go by coach, if available, or to share a car.

### PASTORAL CARE

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

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