



Parish of Fleet

All Saints

St Philip & St James

**News Sheet for
Sunday 8 May 2022
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP, IT'S GREAT TO HAVE YOU WITH US.

Today's readings point us towards Jesus the Good Shepherd who knows, provides for and protects his flock. That flock is us, and we rejoice that we have a good shepherd who loves us so much. However, we know that Jesus wants more than anything for all people everywhere to be gathered into his flock, so we, in a way are sheepdogs for the good shepherd, following his direction and thereby leading those outside the sheepfold to be safely gathered in!

One way we do this is simply by acknowledging to those around us that we belong to Christ and have given our lives to him. Another is by the ministry of invitation – saying to those we know, as Andrew did, 'Come and see!'

A big opportunity to do both these things lies ahead for us.

On Sunday 5th June there will be a special service involving all the churches of Fleet and Church Crookham in Ghurkha Square at 10.00 am. This will be in celebration of the Queen's platinum jubilee and the Feast of Pentecost - a great opportunity to worship with other Christians and witness to the love and mercy of Jesus Christ to the people of our town.

If this turns out to be a great act of witness to our belief in Jesus and a demonstration of our unity in him and of our commitment to him - then I am sure that Jesus will bless it and through it bring others to want to come and meet him for themselves. If it turns out to be a damp squib because lots of us take it as an opportunity to go away for the weekend or to have a Sunday off - then it will have the opposite effect and tell the people of our town that our faith doesn't really matter.

So PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE put this date in your diary now – Sunday 5th June at 10.00 am in Ghurkha Square and make a commitment to be there and make a difference for Jesus!

Today we worship together at 8.00 am and 10.00 am - both at P&J, and we rejoice that Esme will be baptised at 12 noon. Please pray for her and her family.

May God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar at Fleet Parish Community Centre is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 10am-12pm.

Sunday 8 May - 8.00am Holy Communion, Ss Philip & James Church
10.00am Eucharist, Ss Philip & James Church, livestreamed via [Facebook](#)
12.00pm Baptism, Ss Philip & James Church

Tuesday 10 May - 11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church

Wednesday 11 May - 9.30am Midweek service, Ss Philip & James Church

Sunday 15 May - 10.00am All Age Service of the Word, Ss Philip & James Church (not livestreamed)

Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer Wednesdays 10.00am-3.00pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 8 MAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TODAY'S 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK . . .

Those in urgent need of our prayers including... Alona Beauchamp, Jean Belgrove, Carol Beynon, Melanie Brant, Chris Butterfield, Angus Cairns, Carol Paton, Peter Rogers, Michael Standen, Tyler Thompson, Lucy Tyler, Barbara Willis, Clare and family, Phillip.

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers... Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Marion Brown, Dilys Denney, David & Yvonne Dunk, Joan Hall, Alan Harvey, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Tony Holbeche, Sue Huddle, Garth Kellett, Bonnie Lewis, Sheila O'Connor, Gill Page, Matthew Parkes, John Simson, Ken & Dee Stephenson, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Jean Thomas, John Tillyer and Molly Wilson.

Those who have died recently Barbara Simson, Ken Stephenson, Shealagh Dickson, Sylvia Stutley.

Those being baptised today Esme Cripps.

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time... Rosemarie Stooles, Eve Squier, Margaret Warwick, Jessie Newson, Jeremy Durrant, Cecil Maxwell-Lefroy, Mary Thorne, Irene Hayne, Rowland Brown, Winifred Sedden, Frank Partington.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 9 MAY 2022

Meditation 'Prayer is sitting in the silence until it silences us, choosing gratitude until we are grateful and praising God until we ourselves are an act of praise.' *Richard Rohr*

We give thanks for the glimpses of Jesus we see in one another.

Please pray...

Mon - For Christian Aid and for all aid agencies and aid workers.

Tues - For those recently bereaved.

Wed - For the clergy of the Deanery of Aldershot meeting for Chapter today.

Thurs - For those struggling to make ends meet and for CAB, CAP and others offering help and support.

Fri - For those newly elected to represent us in local government.

Sat - For the children and young people of our parish.

Sun - For the Kingdom of God to come into the lives of all whom we know.

ALL WEEK - For those who live in Le Frith Drive, Lea Springs, Leawood Road, Lefroy Park, Lestock Way, Lime Drive.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 8 MAY

[Acts 9.36-43](#)

[Revelation 7.9-17](#)

[John 10.22-30](#)

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new this week. .

PRAYER ROOM AT FPCC - Cally is planning to use the Queen's Jubilee as the next focus for the prayer room in Fleet Parish Community Centre. Do you have any memorabilia/pictures that you would be willing to share to help prompt prayers? For more details or to offer items please contact Cally, cally@parishoffleet.org.uk.

ROSE WINDOW - There are still around 50 spaces remaining for names on the new Rose Window in All Saints Church. Would you like to have your name or the name of a loved one written on a leaf? Each leaf is £100 and all names and donations need to be provided by Friday 13 May. For more details contact Elizabeth Waller (01252 613156) or the Parish Office.

CORONATION DAY 1953 - Do you have memories of Coronation Day in Fleet or elsewhere? If so, All Saints school would love to welcome you to school to share memories with the children. Date to be confirmed but will be in the week of 23 May. Please speak to Jane Jones (01252 628961) if you'd like more details.

MAGAZINE ERROR - The services listed in the Parish Magazine for Sunday 15 May are listed incorrectly in the parish magazine for May, sorry. The correct listing is as follows:

Sunday 15 May: 10.00am All Age Service of the Word, Ss Philip & James Church. (No service at FPCC)

CLEANER(S) WANTED - We are still looking for a cleaner (or two) for our buildings, please see the adverts on the noticeboards or contact Sam Lord (sam@parishoffleet.org.uk) for more information.

LIVINGSTONES - LivingStones in Fleet are donating their margins to local charities each month and All Saints rebuild is one of the charities that people can vote for. Simply pop in to the shop, take a look at the books, gifts and cards on offer and pop a token in to support the charity of your choice. The shop is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays, 10am-4pm.

BABY SAINTS - We had a lovely time searching for the lost sheep on Wednesday and are already planning our jubilee themed session of Baby Saints on Wednesday 18 May, 10.30am. Don't forget to encourage your friends with children/grandchildren to come! For more information please contact Cally (details below).

SPONSORSHIP REQUEST - From Erica Taylor: Please sponsor Tommy and me to raise money for MS Society. I was diagnosed 10 years ago and want to do something for MS Society and I will be doing something that I think is out of my comfort zone but have always wanted to do I will be walking over the 02 and Tommy will be doing 2 marathon walks. To sponsor us please go to tinyurl.com/yxw9evaw which will take you to our JustiGiving page.

CHRISTIAN AID PLANT AND CAKE SALE - Saturday 14 May, 2.30-4.30pm, Ss Philip & James Church car park.

WORSHIP PASTOR - St Johns, Hartley Wintney, are looking for a full-time Worship and Creative Communications Pastor, see <https://stjohnshw.org.uk/vacancies/> for details.

GIVING OPTION - You can now donate to Parish funds by scanning this QR code with any smart phone with a QR reader on it - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make a donation.



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