

he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God. **Amen.**

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.

Post Communion

God our Father, you have raised our humanity in Christ and have fed us with the bread of heaven: mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in the heavenly places; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMING UP...



May

Saturday 16th - Craft and Chat Day.

Cakes, Bring and Buy stall, bacon rolls, cheese scones, cakes. Raffle. Tickets £5, from office.

June

Wednesday 3rd - Café Church

2pm in hall. Join us for a 'A Trip round Dorset'. All welcome.



Sunday 7th June - Community Afternoon Tea 3pm in hall. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church if you can help with provisions towards the tea. As always, your donations are much appreciated.



Saturday 13th – Cream Tea

3.30-5pm in hall. Tickets available soon.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 10 May – Easter 6

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

10am Holy Communion and Zoom

JaM (Family Ministry) in small hall

5pm Iona in the Lady Chapel

Monday 11 May

Please pray for reduced pollution to protect our seas
Mellstock Road and Middle Road

7.30pm Bell Ringers Practice

Tuesday 12 May

Please pray for wisdom in the decisions made by the PCC

Milestone Road and Moor View Road

7.15pm PCC meeting in small hall

Wednesday 13 May

Please pray for clean water to be available to all
Nansen Avenue and Oakdale Road

10am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

2-4pm Knit and Natter in small hall

Thursday 14 May Ascension Day

Please pray for all who were married at St George's
Oakfield Road and Oakdale Junior School

7pm Holy Communion in Church

Friday 15 May

Please pray for something dear to your heart
Old Dairy Close and Old Farm Road

Saturday 16 May

9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom

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Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213

Please pray for all St George's services

Palmer Road and 'Pergins'

Sunday 17 May – Sunday after Ascension Day

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

10am Holy Communion and Zoom

JaM in small hall

Prayer Ministry after the service



**THIS WEEK AT
OAKDALE ST GEORGE
10th May 2026
Easter 6**

Dear Friends,

Paul's words to the Athenians resonate with us today: shopping, the internet, holidays, the cost of living is what we hear in the streets today, this morning I heard a mother say to her small child, "I am fed up with you", it was said with great feeling!

Love is meant to be unselfish, this world we live in is given to us by a creator God who made it and us so that we could thrive and grow and recognise in each other that which is good.

More about this on Sunday morning.

Blessings,

John

**Next Sunday – 17th May
Sunday after Ascension Day
Readings: Acts 1.6-14
John 17.1-11**

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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. **Amen**

Readings

Acts 17.22–31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said, “For we too are his offspring.” Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

John 14.15–21

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him,

because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

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. **Amen**

Please pray for

Worldwide: The Church of Pakistan (United)

Diocese: Long Barrow, Milton and Blandford Deanery

Local: Lime Close and Marlott Road

Immediate Prayer: Jacob Mason, Alison, Frances, Nancy, Val, Willow.

Continuous Prayer: Carol Burridge, Tony Burse, Bethany Cook, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Richard and Anita Glynn, Hilary Henson, Jim L, Beverley Mitchell, Chris Moody, Frederick Perry, Sue Rowledge, Carrie Spencer, Ginny Williams, Chris, Dorothy, Judith, Julie, Kezia

Also, we remember those who have died recently.

RIP Teresa Glenister and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: **Michael Satchell.**

St George’s Tower Cross

<p><i>13th May</i> <i>In memory of</i> <i>Jim Moore’s</i> <i>birthday</i></p>	<p><i>13th May</i> <i>In memory of</i> <i>Adam Knight’s</i> <i>birthday</i></p>	<p><i>14th May</i> <i>Ascension Day</i> <i>lit by Chris Moody</i></p>
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Thursday, 14 May 2026 - Ascension Day

Acts 1.1–11 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. ‘This’, he said, ‘is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.’ So when they had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’

Luke 24.44–end Then he said to them, ‘These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.’ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.’ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them,