

COMING UP...

May

Wednesday 13th 7.30pm St Mary's Church, Longfleet Road, Poole BH15 2JD. Join Rob Parsons of 'Care for the Family' for an evening of stories from a lifetime of overcoming obstacles and discovering that the past does not have to define us. Tickets £6, book at cff.org.uk/robparsons



June

Wednesday 3rd – Café Church 2pm

Saturday 13th June – Cream Tea 3.30-5pm

in the large hall. Put the date in your diary. Tickets available soon.



THIS WEEK

Sunday 3 May – Easter 5

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Holy Communion and Zoom Prayer Ministry after both services
JaM (Family Ministry) in the small hall

Monday 4 May

Bank Holiday

Please pray for family and friends of all missing persons. Enfield Crescent and Enfield Road

Tuesday 5 May

Please pray for all who use the church and halls Fleets Lane and Foxholes Road

Wednesday 6 May

Please pray for all St. George's volunteers Greenfield Road and Heath Avenue
10am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10.30-12pm Bereavement Support Group in the small hall

Thursday 7 May

Please pray for ways to reduce our use of cars Hennings Park Road and Hiley Road
7am-10pm Polling station in Large Hall
12 Noon Lunch Club in the small hall
2pm Funeral in church RIP Teresa Glenister

Friday 8 May

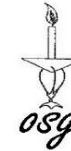
Please pray for all who became Christians over Easter. Johnston Road and Kenyon Close

Saturday 9 May

9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988?pwd=VFpUVlpxU0VwUzFjSWp3WHZNTGpWdz09>
 Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213
 Please pray for all St George's services Kenyon Road and Kirby Close

Sunday 10 May – Easter 6

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Holy Communion and Zoom JaM in the small hall
5pm Iona in the Lady Chapel



THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE ST GEORGE
Easter 5
3rd May 2026

Dear Friends,

In our scripture readings for this Sunday are two examples of how the greatest of life's difficulties can be faced without fear when we have faith. Believing that we all have the benefit of a God who not only created us as human beings but loves us unconditionally, and wants us to trust him, his Son Jesus and his powerful Holy Spirit.

Stephen, experiencing a violent death at the hands of people whose anger knew no limits, faithfully called on God to forgive them.

Jesus, preparing his disciples for his imminent death reassures them that their faith will carry them through the darkness ahead into the light of eternity.

I look forward to sharing more on this with you on Sunday.

Blessings,

Tom

Next Sunday – 10th May ~ Easter 6
Readings: Acts 17. 22-31
John 14.15-21
5pm Iona in the Lady Chapel

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 Turn your hearing aid to the T switch

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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**

Readings

Acts 7.55–end

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen 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.

John 14.1–14

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.'

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**

Please pray for



Worldwide: Church of North India (United)

Diocese: Wareham, Purbeck Deanery

Local: Dorchester Gardens & Enfield Avenue

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

Continuous Prayer: Carol Burridge, Tony Bursey, 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, Julie, Kezia

Also, we remember those who have died recently RIP Teresa Glenister and those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Thursday 14 May

7pm Ascension Day Holy Communion service when we remember the moment when Jesus ascended into heaven, to his Father. Join us as we celebrate here at St George's.




Readings: Acts 1.1–11 and Luke 24.44–end

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**St George's Tower Cross** can be floodlit for memorable occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries or to remember a loved one. Request cards are available in the office. The cost remains at £10.

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| <i>1st May<br/>In celebration of<br/>Andrew Lewis'<br/>birthday</i> | <i>6th May<br/>On Bernie Tinsley's<br/>1st Anniversary</i> |
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<p>Foodbank wish list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Pasta sauce ✓ Tinned Fruit ✓ Minced beef ✓ Shampoo ✓ Washing up liquid ✓ Nappies size 4/5/6 	<p>Appeal - £5/ month can support a family in need.</p> <p>Poole Foodbank CAF Bank Account Sort code: 40-52-40, Account no: 00034948</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or donate online https://faith-works.org.uk/</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Thank you</p>
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