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ST MARY'S
SHIREHAMPTON

6th Sunday of Easter

Sunday 5th May 2024

“ This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you “

Upcoming Diary

TODAY



8:30am – Rise & Shine – breakfast and short service for families

10:30am Holy Communion
Rev Julie Summers
Rev Alison Sowton

Monday 6th

No Morning Prayer & no coffee morning due to bank holiday.

BRISTOL



2 – 4pm: Fun Day at St Mary's
Please join us in the churchyard for our free community event with games, activities, barbecue, crafts & more. Fun for all the family – all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tuesday 7th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Wednesday 8th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Mothers' UNION

2pm Mothers' Union @ Tithe Barn

Thursday 9th

11am Holy Communion Service
Rev Sonia Home

1pm Funeral of Kenneth Hawker

Friday 10th



10am – 2pm Hot Drinks & Warm Space. Hot food available in the afternoon.

Saturday 11th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning
Including crafting group

Sunday 12th



8:30am – Rise & Shine – breakfast and short service for families

10:30am Holy Communion
Rev Alison Sowton
Rev Sonia Home

APCM

12pm APCM – please stay after the service. All welcome to attend.



5pm – Classical Concert “A Celebration of Spring” - £5 on door

PCC Nomination forms are available to pick up ahead of our **APCM being held on Sunday 12th May at 12pm**. If you would like to take the opportunity to serve your church and community, please pick up a form at the back of the church – this includes all current PCC members who wish to be re-elected. This is also a chance to include your name on our **Electoral Roll**, entitling you to vote at the APCM, so forms are available to pick up or you can speak to Tim.

The **annual report and accounts** for the year ended December 2023 are available to pick up. Please have a read through and bring these along with you to the APCM.

Sunday 12th May 5pm – “A Celebration of Spring”

A classical concert with music for solo voice and piano takes place here at St Mary's. Shelley Cox will be singing with accompanying pianist Suan Lee – hopefully you have seen the posters already. Tickets £5 on the door, refreshments included.

Help needed please: We are hosting Deanery Synod here on Monday 13th May, so are required to provide cakes and refreshments to the attendees. If you are able to bake a cake, please let us know. We also require help with serving during the evening, so if you are able to help, please speak with Alison. Thank you.

Prayer Hub: Commencing every **Wednesday from the 15th May, 10.15 – 11.45am at St Mary's Shirehampton Lady Chapel**. To book, please follow <https://doodle.com/bp/asmaprayerhub/prayer-hub> Drop-ins possible. Coffee mornings continue as usual.

Sunday 19th May 10am Pentecost Service, followed at 11.30am with a Bring & Share Birthday Buffet. Please wear bright colours.

Bristol North West Foodbank have sent thanks for the 440.75kg of items donated in their 2023/24 year.

For your prayers: Janet S, Maureen M, Sheila S, Julie M, Alexandra, Logan, Solveig G, Vicki C, Sue S, Maureen G, Graham, June B, Michael C, Owen, Muriel V.

From our Parish Prayer list for May - Ermine Way, Barrow Hill Crescent, Barrow Hill Road, Corston Walk, Chelwood Rd, Fairford Rd, Portbury Grove, Portbury Walk, St Mary's Rd, St Mary's Walk, Orchard Crescent, Priory Gardens, Penlea Court, Old Barrow Hill, Beachley Walk, Kilminster Road, Old Park Rd, Meadow Grove, Watling Way, Antona Court, Antona Drive, West Town Rd, Shirehampton Primary & Nursery School and Autistic Unit, Jim o'neil House, Antona Court, Granville Lodge, Beachley Walk Centre & Nursery.

Vicar: Revd Alison Sowton – 330 3452 / 0773 971 2548 – revalison@stmarysshire.org
Churchwardens: Mrs Anne Ford – 982 1675; Mr Richard Powell – 07929 028 777
Head Verger: Mrs Jill Eynon – 982 4349
Church Office: 9077026 **email:** stmarysshirehampton@outlook.com **Organist:** Mr Tim Forder 923 5895
Work hours: Mon to Thurs 9.30am – 2.30pm

Opening Voluntary Ave Maria Bach/Gounod

Hymns Great is thy faithfulness
You are the vine
Guide me O thou great redeemer

Communion I give myself to you Margaret Rizza
We'll walk the land (screen)

Closing Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in C major J S Bach

Collect
Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

**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.**

Acts 10: 44 – end

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

John 15: 9 – 17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.
¹² 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

7th Sunday of Easter - Sunday 12th May