

Notices and Prayers - May 2023

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Services

Sunday 7th

10 am - Parish Mass with

Junior Church
5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 14th

10 am - Parish Mass5:30 pm—Zoom Evening Prayer

Thursday 18th The Ascension

7 pm - Holy Communion

Sunday 21st

10 am - Family Mass5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 28th Pentecost

8 am - Holy Communion10 am - Parish Mass5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Every Thursday and Friday: Morning Prayer at 9:30 am, at St Thomas', High Lane All Welcome

Dates for your diary

May

Wednesday 3rd - Coffee morning, 10-12 noon, in the hall Sunday 7th - Fairtrade stall, in the hall after the parish mass Tuesday 9th - Rural Dean Commissioning Service, 7 pm, St Thomas' High Lane.

Wednesday 10th - Coffee morning, 10-12 noon, in the hall Sunday 14th - APCM - in the hall after the parish mass

Saturday 20th - Churcyard tidyup, 10 an - 12 noon

Saturday 20th - Heritage Trust Coronation Event, hall, 2:30-4:30 pm

Saturday 27th - Big Church Clean, 10 am—12 noon

June

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th—Ashleigh's ordination & first mass

August

Sunday 6th - Bishop Sam with us at the parish mass

Notices

We have a couple of changes to the regular service pattern—There will be no Choral Evensong in May; the Sunday morning 8 am services are now *monthly* again, on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Please do come along to St Thomas' on 9th, as Hannah Hupfield is commissioned by Bishop Sam as our new Rural Dean.

Our coffee mornings have evolved to *board game mornings* (with coffee!). Dates until 10th May are advertised - more dates to come!

We're having a Big Church Clean on Saturday 27th. Many hands make light work! Please do come and help if you can; refreshments will be available, to help us as we get rid of the dust and cobwebs!

A space for notes

Let us give thanks

Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

(John 20.21)

Prayer list

In our prayers please remember the sick who have asked for our prayers:

Ruby Michael

Andrew Kathleen & Arthur

David Clare
Gary Steph
Freddie & Jasmine Hillary

Madeleine Gordon

Peter Peter

Jude Roger

Please pray for:

For local school children, as they visit the church as part of their lessons this month.

For Otis and Arlo, as they are baptised.

For Alice Titterington's family and friends, as her ashes are interred.

For the new PCC, elected on 14th

May, and for all that lies ahead for St Martin's in the coming year.

For Rev'd Hannah Hupfield, the new rural dean for our deanery, as she is commissioned on 9th May.

For Martin Makin, as he is installed as vicar of St Barnabas, Bredbury on 11th May, following his curacy at St Mark's, Bredbury.

For Rev'd Ashleigh, as her ordination to the priesthood approaches.

PCC

After a few years of no change in membership, because of covid, at this year's Annual Meeting (APCM) on 14th May, we'll be electing the whole PCC afresh. There are nomination forms on the desk at the back of church, which everyone wanting to be on the PCC next year needs to fill in and give to Timothy, Mike Powell (PCC secretary) or one of the churchwardens.

Please do give thought and prayer about whether you might like to be on the PCC. It's a wonderful way to take part in the life of St Martin's, and help shape its direction and future.

If you're not on the PCC at the moment, please do consider it - new voices and fresh approaches are most welcome! Timothy (or any current PCC member) would be happy to have a chat if you'd like to know more.

Ashleigh's Priesting

Ashleigh will be ordained priest at 4 pm on Saturday 10th June, in Chester Cathedral. If you'd like to attend, more information is available from her or from Timothy.



Ashleigh will preside at mass for the first time on Sunday 11th June, at 10 am. This will be a join service, at St Thomas' High Lane. Please do come along and support her and celebrate with her, as she begins her priestly ministry. (If transport is a problem, let Timothy know and lifts will be arranged, so that everyone who wants to can be there.)