



Sunday 26th May
Trinity Sunday
10am: Holy Communion
 Revd Stephanie Gillingham
Duty Warden/Sound: Sue
Chalice: Richard
Reader: Maxine
Music: David
Sides: Maxine and Helen
Refreshments: Janette

Saturday Coffee 
11am - 12 noon
 25th May - Richard
Church is closed after coffee

Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group
 1.15-2.30pm every Wednesday during term-time

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Please Pray
 For Sally, Joan, Anna, Sheila, Nicky, Amelia, Val, Audrey, Mary, Brian, Catherine, Revd Suzanne, Arthur, June, Dave T and Sharon.
We remember:
 May Roscoe (21.05.1989)
 Yvonne Jackson (21.05.2011)
 Ronald Lant (23.05.1990)
 John Kinsman (24.05.2004)
Parish Roads:
We also pray this month for those living and working in:
 Plane Tree Close, Plover Walk, Poplar Close, Robin Way, Rose Glen

Living Light
 The Aumbry Light in May has been sponsored in memory of
 Melvyn Rainbird
 Revd Susan Ives
 Reginald (Reg) Chapman 

Sunday 19th May
Pentecost
10am: Morning Worship
 Travers and Jane Harpur
Duty Warden: Helen
Sound: Sue
Music: David
Sides: Maxine and Pat
Refreshments: Helen
2pm: Baptism of Lyra and Harvey
Collect
 Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Pray for Palestine and Israel
 O God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call to you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children - for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**
Weekday Prayers
 Tuesdays at 2pm
 Disabled access and toilets available

Birthdays: *"Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you."*

Financial Giving Please do support St Luke's using one of the options below:

- Regular giving through the Parish Giving Scheme - see noticeboard for information
- One-off online donations accessed via the St Luke's website homepage
- Contactless card reader available at the back of church

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

²⁶'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf.

²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ⁴But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?"' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

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⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹²'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Variety Concert—Thank You

Thank you to Pat for organising another successful Variety Concert on Friday night and for everyone who helped and took part. We raised c£180 before any gift aid is claimed, towards our large hall roof appeal.

Key Messages from your PCC

The PCC had their first meeting of the new year on Wednesday evening, starting with a service of holy communion and committing the coming year to God. The following key messages were agreed:

- Our large hall roof appeal stands at £4,300, with more fundraising activities planned. We will also be able to claim gift aid on some of this.
 - As part of our mission focus, we have committed to buying small bible-based story books for each child leaving Little Acorns Pre-School and going to school. This year, there will be 24 children.
 - Plans are being made for a Prayer Day led by Bishop Adam, Bishop of Bradwell, for South West Chelmsford Churches. This will be on Sunday 1 September. More info to follow so please put it in your diaries now.
- Minutes of previous PCC meetings are available to read on the noticeboard.

Christian Aid Week 12th–18th May

Christian Aid week finished yesterday - if you haven't done so already, please do consider making a donation either online or using the giving envelopes at the back of church.

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