

For hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God,
give skill, sympathy and resilience
to all who are caring for the sick,
and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.
Strengthen them with your Spirit,
that through their work many will be restored to health;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayers as the lock-down continues.

Let us pray to the Lord,
who is our refuge and stronghold.
For the health and well-being of our nation,
that all who are fearful and anxious
may be at peace and free from worry:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For the isolated and housebound,
that we may be alert to their needs,
and care for them in their vulnerability:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For our homes and families,
our schools and young people,
and all in any kind of need or distress:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For a blessing on our local community,
that our neighbourhoods may be places of trust and friendship,
where all are known and cared for:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

St Mary's and St Agnes' Newmarket



June 2020
35p

St Mary's

8am Holy Communion
9.45am Sung Mass (3rd
Sunday: All-Age
Eucharist)

6.30pm Evensong

Weekday Eucharists

Monday (except Bank Holidays) 7pm
Wednesday 10am

10.15am Tuesday Café Church
At The Stable (4th Tuesday only)

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Please send copy to Father John by
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St Agnes'

9am Holy Communion
(3rd Sunday only)
11.15am Parish Communion
(1st Sunday only)
11.15am Mattins
(except 1st Sunday)

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3 rd	Stanley Smith (1991) Rose Bolt (1997)	22 nd	Thomas Neal (1991) Frank Poulton (1992) Margaret Taylor (1995)
4 th	Emily Parker (1992) Elaine Sadler (1996) Maud Mattin (2013) Joan Thorne (2014) Glyndwr Leonard (2015) Prof Spencer Milham (2015)	23 rd	Steve Canning (1974) John (Jackie) Tervit (2009)
5 th	Lillian Simmons (1986) Alfred Blackwell (1999) Sally Wareham (2000) Arthur King (2004) Bessie Eggleton (2010)	24 th	Dorothy Neale (1991) Norman Wade (2000)
6 th	Joan Langley (2014)	25 th	Ryan Jarvis (1991) Mona Shaw (1994) Beatrice Griffiths (2001)
8 th	Bill Hawkins (1987) Sydney Lane (1987) Audrey Bahr (1998) Joseph Appleton (2005)	27 th	Jean Swann (1991) Kathleen Wilson (1993) Clarice Williams (2000) Michael Forster, reader (2006)
9 th	Walter Hunt (1991) Thelma Heslop (2010)	28 th	Margaret Goswell (1984) Mona Milward (1996) Lorraine Walker (2007) Richard Fox (2011)
10 th	Charles Cunningham (1991) Robert Lee (1993) Bernie Robinson (2007) Freda Archer (2014) Winifred Maher (2016)	29 th	Sylvia Moatt (1987) Albert Avery (1991) Joan Hales (1993) Doris Timins (1994) Irene Millbanks (2009) Ronald Kay (2015)
11 th	Sir Henry Cecil (2013)	30 th	Albert Wilson (1993) Edna Bendall (1996)
12 th	Annie Taylor (1987) Lilly Stittle (1991) John Story (1992) Constance Shimmens (1992) Joan Bebbington (2009) Kenneth Carey (2010)		
13 th	Sheila Hopes (1999) Barbara Taylor (2003) Ruth Waugh (2019)		
14 th	William Bishop (1991) Gladys Pannell (1995) Paul Conner (2004) John Robson (2006)		
15 th	Raymond Hopes (2018)		
17 th	Constance Taylor (1989) Arthur Davis (1989) Peter Owen (1994)		
19 th	Albert Morris (1989)		

**May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
Amen.**

COMMUNITY NOTICES & EVENTS

75 years ago tomorrow Great Britain, the USA, Australia, New Zealand, Canada much of Europe and Russia woke with a hangover. With aching feet from dancing, some didn't even wake they had not been to sleep they had carried on celebrating through the night. People in many parts of the globe were partying like, as Prince sung some 37 years later. Like its 1999. Not that anyone one of them had the slightest thought of the next millennium then.

What they had been celebrating was the signing of unconditional surrender by Germany. Bringing to an end, in Europe at least, 6 years of war involving some 130 countries across the world. But on 8th May 1945 part of the world was going to celebrate, rolling 6 years of parties into one day. Unsurprisingly, the government declared the following day May 9th a holiday. Fighting in Europe had drawn to an end. The hostilities in the Far East were to continue for another long 15 weeks before Imperial Japan surrendered, 6 days after the dropping of the second atomic bomb this time on Nagasaki.

In his broadcast from the Cabinet room Winston Churchill said: 'We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing; but let us not forget for a moment the toil and efforts that lie ahead.' A brief period of rejoicing before the true cost of the conflict was to be realised, a world rebuilt and lives re-established. This particular era of war may have ended but the peace was still to be achieved.

From the prophet Micah we hear: 'He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid.'

I am sure these words from this minor prophet of around 3,000 years ago were not uppermost in the minds of the people back in 1945 but I am certain that the ethos of these words carry as much longing today as they did then and in the time of Micah. However, it seems that today, we still believe we need the tools of war to maintain our peace.

God longs for us to have peace with each other, but we still stumble around in darkness seeking our own way of peace under our terms instead of following the guidance of the Lord. As individuals we are unable to bring around world peace, but we are able to be the architects of our own peace. We can submit to our Lords will. We can let go of anger, resentments, envy. We can love our neighbour even if we do not always like them! We can treat others how we would have them treat us.

By turning our personal swords and spears into plough-shears and pruning hooks then we can go some way to acknowledging our debt to the 60 million or more people who died in that conflict of 75 years ago. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *(The Revd Cheryl Belding's VE day homily 8th May 2020 Recorded for service on Day via St Mary & St Agnes Website.)*

LECTIONARY DATES

Monday 1:	The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth (transferred)
Tuesday 2:	Ordinary time resumes
Wednesday 3:	Martyrs of Uganda, 1885-87, 1977
Friday 5:	Boniface of Crediton, Apostle of Germany, 754
Saturday 6:	Ini Kopuria, founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood, 1945
Sunday 7:	TRINITY SUNDAY
Monday 8:	Thomas Ken, bishop of Bath and Wells, non-juror, hymnwriter, 1711
Tuesday 9:	Columba, Abbot of Iona, missionary, 597
Thursday 11:	Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)
Friday 12:	Barnaba the Apostle (transferred)
SUNDAY 14:	THE FIRST AFTER TRINITY
Monday 15:	Evelyn Underhill, writer, 1941
Tuesday 16:	Richard, bishop of Chichester, 1253
Wednesday 15:	Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, social reformers, 1913, 1936
Thursday 18:	Bernard Mizeki, apostle of the MaShona, martyr, 1896
Friday 19:	Sundar Singh of India, Sahdu, evangelist, teacher, 1929
Sunday 21:	THE SECOND AFTER TRINITY
Monday 22:	Alban, first martyr of Britain, c. 250
Tuesday 23:	Etheldreda, abbess of Ely, c. 673
Tuesday 24:	Birth of John the Baptist
Friday 26:	Ember day
Saturday 27:	Cyril, bishop of Alexandria, teacher, 444
SUNDAY 28:	THE THIRD AFTER TRINITY
Monday 29:	Peter and Paul, Apostles

A rogationtide offering from our resident canon. Rogationtide began today, and the first three days of this week, ahead of Ascension Day, are Rogation Days, when traditionally prayers are offered for the growing crops in our parishes.

Today, they may not of course be agrarian-based at all, and we need to be mindful of factories and manufacturing industries, offices, other places of work, and institutions as well as the homes and people in every part of our parishes, and not just the fields and woodlands. This concept is embodied in our cycles of prayer in which we try to remember these aspects in each and every parish, alongside praying for The Faithful, and The Faithful Departed.

During the last 7 weeks since I was licensed by Bishop Mike on behalf of Bishop Martin, I have much enjoyed walking and riding round all the roads, streets, walkways and paths of our parishes, and indeed 'Newmarket & District' (to borrow from the title of the former church magazine which straddled the Ely/Eds& Ips diocesan boundary in its scope, such is Newmarket's pivotal place in West Suffolk & East Cambs).

It's not really possible to 'beat the bounds' round a very long perimeter, but to do so within the matrix. What has struck me is that apparently this area has the highest acreage of mown grass in the world in one district, which when you add up the Jockey Club lands and the 35+ studs should come as no surprise! In the case of the latter, for very good reasons the plethora of 'private/keep out/no public access/security cameras' is perhaps understandable, if a blunt reminder of the largest local industry, which means that our freedom to enjoy the countryside is more bound by public footpaths and bridleways alone.

These of course include the magnificent Devils Dyke, National Trust properties Wicken Fen and Anglesey Abbey (when re-opened post Covid-19 lockout), and the kindness of post-1pm access to Jockey Club land...how I love Warren Hill and the distant view of Ely Cathedral!... we are actually very fortunate.

So, where does Church fit in? Well, 'going forward' (as they now say) our work is particularly with people, and it looks like we are going to have to really work hard at the manner of public worship when we have that opportunity again (hopefully sometime in July, watch this space), but also not to lose the gains of recent weeks of live-streamed and/or recorded services, which may well be a real boon to residential homes, housebound frail-elderly, and others prevented from coming to church.

Parish Spotlights (a diocesan census-based digest) tells us that our two benefices, three parishes and their five churches serve a particularly diverse population at many levels, but I am struck by the proportion of young to middle-aged adults, many with families, whom we are called to serve in our Cure of Souls; observation of those who are 'out and about' confirms these statistics for me certainly.

So, we will need to be ready not simply to return to 'life as it was' but to use our new-found ways of 'being Church' in our endeavour to reach those who previously were always hard to reach, but who may have been nearer in spirit to us than we first believed, but lacked a means of access. As TS Eliot's Journey of the Magi reminds us, they were 'not at ease in the old dispensation and resolved to travel home by another route'. So, each of us needs to work at our ministry, and come together to make plans and seek God's will for our parishes, Growing in God. The harvest for which Rogationtide prays is indeed growing all around us every day of the year, and we need to get organised as God's labourers and with the tools and machinery at our disposal. May God bless each one of us in this endeavour. *Revd Canon Mark Haworth 17.5.20*