

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 7th May, 2017 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter
10.00 Parish Communion

Hymns

Opening: 373	Gradual: 77
Offertory: 374	Communion: 282
Final: Give me joy in my heart	

Gloria:

**Glory be to God in heaven,
Songs of joy and thanks we bring,
Thankful hearts and voices raising,
To creation's Lord we sing:
Praise him. Praise him, Alleluia,
Glory be to God our King.**

**Lamb of God, who on your shoulders
Bore the weight of this world's sin,
Only Son of God the Father,
You have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Now your glorious reign begin.**

**You, O Son of God, are holy,
You we praise with one accord;
None in heaven or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord -
With the Father, and the Spirit,
Ever worshipped and adored.**

Words Edwin Le Grice Tune Praise my Soul

Collect:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Sanctus/Benedictus:

**Holy, holy, holy, God ever reigning
Filling all the universe with glory power and light;
Blest is our Redeemer, sent from God to save us,
Hail and hosanna! Glory in the height! Amen.**

Words - Michael Forster Music - "Nicaea" J.B. Dykes

Agnus Dei:

**Jesus lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus Bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus Redeemer of the World: give us your Peace.**

Shepherd

Hymn: Give me joy in my heart

**Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray,
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Keep me singing 'till the break of day.**

Chorus

**Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King.**

**Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart, I pray,
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving 'till the break of day. *Chorus***

**Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart, I pray,
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Keep me resting 'till the break of day. *Chorus***

8:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Parish Communion

First Reading: Acts 2. 42 – 47

Many were baptized and were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2. 19 - 25

Brothers and sisters: it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel: John 10. 1 - 10

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Post Communion Prayer:

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through

Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Hello Children Where is Mary Mouse hiding today?

We welcome everyone to this church and particularly families and their children. We are all children of God no matter what our age and young children are our future. There are books, colouring sheets and pens provided in the children's corner which they are encouraged to use. If as a member of the congregation you find noise distracting, do please come forward and sit in the front pews, away from the children's corner.

Sunday Club meets on the first Sunday of each month in church then in the Community Room. Most Sundays there is also a child centered activity in the Community Room during the service.

'First Steps': For under 5s, meets each Monday from 2:30 to 3:15pm (term time only), in the Community Room. With craft activities and songs. Tea, coffee, juice, biscuits/cakes will be available. All welcome. Please contact Monica for further information curate@stmarysgreatshelford.org 01223 630074

St Mary's Toddler Group meets on Thursday mornings in term time in the Community Room between 9.30 and 11.30am, for children aged from 0 to 3 years, with their parents and/or carers. Secure outdoor play occurs if the weather is good. Details from Gillian Pett gillian.pett29@gmail.com 07548 828477

INTERCESSIONS:

Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services- Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the priest in charge know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray. Intentions left in the loose leaf book at the back of the North Aisle will be offered each week at the Parish Communion, or you can write your prayer intention on one of the tags provided, and hang it on the prayer tree at the back of church.

Cloakroom facilities are available in the Community Room during church services.

Gift Aid Donations We welcome all donations from visitors and there are Gift Aid envelopes at the back of Church. If you pay tax we can reclaim 25p for every pound you donate to the Church at no cost to yourself, if you have completed the declaration on the envelope. For further information, or to join the planned giving scheme, please contact Mrs. J Ann Smith mobile no. 07710 452647; email jannsmith_2@hotmail.com

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD – WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Easter Season: The Easter season continues for the next four weeks, concluding with the celebration of Pentecost on Sun. 4th June. We shall transfer Ascension Day to the nearest Sun. 28th May.

Marriage Banns: Please pray for Leigh Smart & Anita Constant, Nathan Bing & Sophie Plaskassovitis and Alexander Trick & Harriet Smith whose Banns are being read from 7th May, as they prepare for their marriages later in the summer.

Vacancy Cover: Monica is covering a service at Balsham this morning and I will be presiding at Hildersham next weekend.

Pilgrim house group: The Pilgrim house group restarted on Tuesday 2 May at 7.30pm. We continue with Living Faithfully by John Pritchard. All welcome. Do bring your bible.

Cambridge City Foodbank: Our monthly collection takes place **today**. Please do all you can to support the work of this organisation.

The Friends of Great Shelford Parish Church has its **Annual General Meeting** in the Community Room on **Tuesday 9 May at 7.30 pm**. After the AGM our Church Architect, **Brian Page**, will present a short illustrated Talk entitled '**Refurbishing the Roofs at St Mary's**'. This will be an excellent opportunity to see and hear about the recent extensive work on our ancient roofs. Whether or not you are a member of the Friends, do please come.

Ron Maycox RIP: As most of you may now be aware, Ron died peacefully at home on Fri. 28th April after a long struggle with illness. Ron was a very valued member of our regular congregation after he and Elsie moved in the village nearly three years ago; he will be greatly missed by all who knew him and we give thanks for his humour in the face of all the struggles he had with ill health. As we give thanks for Ron's life, we also remember Elsie, Peter and the family as they mourn the loss of a much loved husband, father and grandfather. A service of Thanksgiving for Ron's life will be held at St Mary's on Fri, 12th May at 2pm preceded by a private family cremation.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM): Congratulations to Stella Nettleton and Dianne Fraser who were elected last Sun. to serve as Churchwardens for the coming year. A very sincere 'thank you' to Norma Coggins and Ann Smith who have retired from the PCC after long service.

David & Shirley: David & Shirley have now moved into the curacy house attached to David's forthcoming post in the Trumpington parish. They have sent a warm message of thanks and appreciation for the support and encouragement they received during their stay in Great Shelford. David will be ordained Deacon on Sun. 2nd July at the Cathedral. Please remember both David and Shirley in the weeks ahead.

Alms Giving 2017: The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in May will be going to Wintercomfort. Alms can be gift aided provided your giving is in an envelope marked 'Alms' and with your PIN. Alms not in envelopes should be placed in the alms bowl as you come into church. This stands on the offertory box at the back of church, near the back pew.

Today	18:30 Evensong
Wednesday 10th May, 2017	09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 14th May, 2017	08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10.00 Parish Communion 18:30 Evensong

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator

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