

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 22nd May, 2022 - The Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn 106: Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

1. Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel
Into joy from sadness;
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot
Through the Red Sea waters.
2. 'Tis the spring of souls to-day,
Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days' sleep in death
As a sun hath risen;
All the winter of our sins,
Long and dark, is flying
From his light, to whom we give
Laud and praise undying.
3. Now the queen of seasons, bright
With the day of splendour,
With the royal feast of feasts,
Comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesu's Resurrection.
4. Neither might the gates of death,
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
Hold thee as a mortal;
But today amidst thine own
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUM6oW0hFWg>

Gloria:

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, Heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Lord, Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us:

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

David Thorne

Collect:

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Acts 16. 9 - 15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

Second Reading: Revelation 21. 10, 22 - 22.5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Gradual hymn 366: God of mercy, God of grace

- 1. God of mercy, God of grace,
Show the brightness of thy face:
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine,
Fill thy Church with light divine;
And thy saving health extend
Unto earth's remotest end.**
- 2. Let the people praise thee, Lord;
Be by all that live adored:
Let the nations shout and sing,
Glory to their Saviour King;
At thy feet their tributes pay,
And thy holy will obey.**
- 3. Let the people praise thee, Lord;
Earth shall then her fruits afford;
God to man his blessing give,
Man to God devoted live;
All below, and all above,
One in joy, and light, and love.**

Gospel: John 14. 23 - 29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

Offertory hymn 140: Holy Spirit, come, confirm us

1. **Holy Spirit, come, confirm us**
In the truth that Christ makes known;
We have faith and understanding
Through your promised light alone.
2. **Holy Spirit, come, console us,**
Come as Advocate to plead,
Loving Spirit from the Father,
Grant in Christ the help we need.
3. **Holy Spirit, come, renew us,**
Come yourself to make us live,
Holy through your loving presence,
Holy through the gifts you give.
4. **Holy Spirit, come, possess us,**
You the love of Three in One,
Holy Spirit of the Father,
Holy Spirit of the Son.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcccR_SZrv4

Sanctus/Benedictus:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. *David Thorne*

Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace. *David Thorne*

Communion hymn 288: God everlasting, wonderful and holy

1. **God everlasting, wonderful and holy,**
Father most gracious, we who stand before thee
Here at thine altar, as thy Son has taught us,
Come to adore thee.
2. **Countless the mercies thou has lavished on us,**
Source of all blessing to all creatures living,
To thee we render, for thy love o'erflowing,
Humble thanksgiving.

3. **Now in remembrance of our great Redeemer,
Dying on Calvary, rising and ascending,
Through him we offer what he ever offers,
Sinners befriending.**
4. **Strength to the living, rest to the departed,
Grant, Holy Father, through this pure oblation;
May the life-giving Bread for ever bring us
Health and salvation.**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlOkr4klg_k

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**

Final hymn 346: City of God, how broad and far

1. **City of God, how broad and far
Outspread thy walls sublime!
The true thy chartered freemen are
Of every age and clime.**
2. **One holy Church, one army strong,
One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest-song,
One King omnipotent.**
3. **How purely hath thy speech come down
From man's primaeval youth!
How grandly hath thine empire grown
Of freedom, love and truth!**
4. **How gleam thy watch-fires through the night
With never-fainting ray!
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,
To meet the dawning day!**
5. **In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharmed upon the eternal Rock
The eternal City stands.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-uAo3kf6Cew>

SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH

Dear Friends,

As you may by now be aware, even before the pandemic we were concerned about the increasing financial deficit we have been facing for several years. The PCC has now, regretfully, decided (in consultation with the Diocese) to reduce our regular Ministry Share contribution by 50%, to £26,895 this year, in order to halt the ongoing drain on our reserves. This will balance the 2021 budget, but without a substantial increase in income we may well face the same decision in future years, or the money will run out. This decision has not been taken lightly, as it has serious implications for the future life of the parish; Ministry Share goes towards the costs of stipendiary ministry, and failure to meet our Share in full, as well as passing an additional financial burden on to the other parishes in the Deanery, will impact on the future provision of a full-time vicar in Great Shelford. We would welcome any additional Stewardship support to enable us to meet the full Share asked for by the Diocese, in this and future years, in order to maintain a stipendiary vicar.

Donations can be made by:

- Parish Giving Scheme (PCC's preferred option)
- Standing Order or Bank transfer
- Donating via the Giving Page on website <https://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org/>

- Traditional envelope donations (posted through the vicarage letterbox, or left in the collection box at the back of church). Please write your PIN on the envelope, if you have one.

To help further, at no cost to yourself, please Gift Aid your donations if you are able. Our Treasurer Pat Brown is happy to assist with any of the above. Contact details: phone 07811 563597 or email: patbrown2591@yahoo.co.uk .

Thank you very much for all your support.

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Covid Precautions:

- **Face masks** - the wearing of face masks is no longer compulsory, but is recommended in crowded spaces and when moving around the church.
- **Lateral flow testing** - take a simple lateral flow test at home before coming into contact with others.
- **Symptoms** - if you have **any** cold-like symptoms, it would be wise not to attend.

By following these guides we can help ensure that we reduce the risks for others and for ourselves.

Elizabeth Wareham RIP: whose funeral will take place at St Mary's Church on 24th May at 2pm.

We give thanks for their lives and pray for their families.

The Ashes of Mary Marsh will be interred in the churchyard of St. Mary's at a service on 25th May at 2. 30 p.m.

Evening service by zoom: Rosemary Feuell is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rosemary Feuell's Zoom Meeting

Time: May 22, 2022 06:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81587191297?pwd=v1DlxM2eIRz-XgVzRCKpRXKi8P6bUo.1>

Meeting ID: 815 8719 1297

Passcode: 079377

There is a Deanery Ascension Day Service at 7.30pm at Linton on 26th May.



Is there anyone willing to help serve tea and cake from the pavilion during the afternoon of Sunday 5th June, between 12 and 3pm for an hour slot, or to provide a cake (fully labelled with ingredients). Please could they get in touch with Diana@shelfordfreechurch.org.uk.

Jubilee Art and Photographic Exhibition and Sale: This event is being organised by Anthony Bateman with help from the Friends. There will be watercolours by Anthony's late wife Pat, together with contributions from several local artists. The photographs will include unusual images of St Mary's, social photos of local people and some beautiful scenes in the Lake District. Proceeds will be divided between the church and Ukraine. The Exhibition and Sale will be in St Mary's Church on 7th & 8th June and will be open between 1.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

Shelford Feast Quiz, 7th July: We need some volunteers to be in the St. Mary's team, as soon as possible please. Contact me in church, on 07398 192646 or at richard.townsend1@ntlworld.com <mailto:richard.townsend1@ntlworld.com> .

Food Box: The PCC has agreed to place a Food Box in the church porch containing tins and dried produce. This is in recognition that current conditions are making it difficult for some to make funds stretch to pay for food. We hope that those who need food will take it, and others will share what they have. This is to complement the food collection going to the Food Bank.

Living Ely 2025 Deanery Development Planning Booklets: There are pocket guides and Summary Guides at the back of the church which we encourage everyone to take and read. We will soon be starting to think about our Development Plan and the congregation as a whole can be involved in shaping our future ministry and mission.



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



also offer callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and reflection

Daily HOPE: This is an excellent national Church of England initiative for those who are especially isolated and do not have access to the internet. Daily HOPE is a freephone line,

available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England's weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line will

We are delighted to welcome visitors to St Mary's for private prayer and reflection.

Sunday 22nd May, 2022

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

Sunday 29th May, 2022

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

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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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