

Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

Eucharist for 6th Sunday of Easter & Commissioning of New Churchwardens

9th May, 2021, 10.30 am – St Andrew's Church/Zoom

Alleluia Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Opening Hymn & Call to worship: *(The hymns are sung by our Cantor).*

Kyrie Confession:

Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence. Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**
Like the disciples behind locked doors, we are afraid to be seen as your followers. Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**
Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe. Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Amen. **Absolution.**

The Gloria is Sung by the Cantor.

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. **All Amen**

First Reading: (Acts 10: 44-48)

44While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. 45The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, 46for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 47'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' 48So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: *Jesus said "love one another as I have loved you...you are my friends if you do what I command you".*

Gospel Reading: (John 15: 9-17)

The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. All: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 9'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. 10If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

12'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. 16You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. 17I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily - Revd Ian Welch

Prayers

The Peace & Offertory Hymn

Eucharistic Prayer

Blessing & Closing Hymn

Notices

A very warm welcome to our newly commissioned Churchwardens and PCC Members

Midweek Eucharist this Wednesday, 12th May, 10 am, St Andrew's

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Christian Aid Week, 9-16th May,

-Sue & Mick's Christian Aid Quiz, on Zoom, Friday 14th May, 8 pm; Please contact Diane Hudson, or email her at diane.hudson412@btinternet.com if you wish to participate in the Quiz or for the further information

-Read-in & Sing-in on Zoom, Saturday 22nd May, Noon to 6 pm, on Zoom:

-Kay's Paper Quizzes – please do download the Quiz using the following link – we ask for a £1 donation <https://www.justgiving.com/team/MottinghamCAW2021>.

-Dawn Potts has kindly donated some of her lovely hand-made bracelets to raise money for Christian Aid, available for purchase at the rear of St Alban's on 2nd May.

-Red giving envelopes will be available at the back of our churches.

-Children's Christian Aid packs are available at the rear of the Church. Warmest thanks to Diane Hudson.

Thy Kingdom Come Worship Initiatives from Ascension to Pentecost, 13-23 May, 2021. Prayers will be offered for the persecuted and hidden churches in North Korea, Syria, Sudan, Nigeria, China, Afghanistan, and Sri Lanka.

Eucharist for the Feast of the Ascension: Thursday 13th May, 7.30 pm, on Zoom.

Morning Prayer, Friday 14th May, 9 am, on Zoom.

Sunday after Ascension, 16th May, 2021, 10.30 am, United Eucharist at St Alban's, also on Zoom

Evening Prayer, Tuesday 18th May, 5 pm, on Zoom.

Mid-week Eucharist, Wednesday 19th May, 10 am, St Andrews

Noon Prayer, Thursday 20th May, Noon, at St Alban's.

Morning Prayer, Friday 21st May, 9 am, on Zoom. ID for Zoom services: 675-014-6024 & Password 859013

Festival of Pentecost, Sunday 23rd May, 10.30 am, at St Andrews.

Prayers for the sick: John Potts, Brian Abbot, Pip Bampton, Tom Biro, Roger Welch, Revd Dave Warren, Chloe Sissons, Ray Hole, John Symons, Jim Bulford, Helen Donaldson, Baby Cody, Baby Ruby, Mary Houlston, Jackie Ungar, Tabitha Ungar, David and Janet Hughes, Betty Walsh, Sally Edwards, Wynne Bowen, Tracey Harison, Marion Harison, Baby Niamh King, Baby Indigo, Richard Henry.

We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers, In particular Joyce Gilbert, Jocelyn Reason, Revd Stewart Symons and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.