

Newsletter of St Laurence Parish Church, Frodsham

Week commencing May 12th 2024 – Easter 7/Sunday after Ascension Year B

“To know God and to make God known”

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This Week

May 12 th Easter 7/ Sunday after Ascension	8.00 10.00	Holy Communion – said service Holy Communion – with music. We welcome Bishop Julie Beginning of Christian Aid Week	Acts 1. 15-17; 21-end; John 17. 6-19
Monday - Friday		Church open: Mon - Thurs 10.00-16.00; Friday 10.00-15.00	
Monday	16.00	Feoffees Meeting at church	
Tuesday	19.00	Holy Communion (said service)	
Wednesday	10.00	Toddler Praise	
Thursday	10.00-12.00 16.00	Bee Friends Coffee Morning at the Parish Hall Finance sub-group meeting at The Vicarage	
Friday	13.00-15.00	Craft and Chat	
May 19 th Pentecost	8.00 10.00 12.30 16.00	Holy Communion – said service Holy Communion – with music Baptism Still Point	

Prayers

Our prayers for those who are sick If you know of anyone whom you feel needs our prayers – please ask permission from them or their family and then pass their name to Rev Elaine: revelaine@nym.hush.com

Please pray for –

Those who are sick

Those who have died

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week

Prayer Wall - You can write a prayer and light a virtual candle on our website. <https://slfchurch.org/prayerwall>

Please pass your requests to Rev Elaine at the Vicarage if you haven't got internet access.

Dates for your Diary

Children: **Messy Church** Monthly during term time only [Read more here](#)

Toddler Praise Every Wednesday during term time only [Read more](#)

OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND 8-9th June. A joint event with the Frodsham and District History Society. Details below in the Notices.

ORGAN RECITAL BY TOM CAMERON on July 28th at 4pm: Followed by Refreshments. More details nearer the time

PATRONAL FESTIVAL SHARED LUNCH at the Parish Hall. 11th August at 12.30

PARISH WEEKEND 6-8th September at Noddfa

Notices

Christian Aid Week 12th -18th May

This coming week is Christian Aid Week. This year CA Week will focus on the poverty in the communities of Burundi where malnourishment and poverty affect more than 70% of the population, putting them at the edge of survival. Please give generously via the Frodsham CA Group (Ref. 110979) created on behalf of Churches Together in Frodsham. Please use this link:

<https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/christian-aid-week-frodsham>

Christian Aid is the official development agency for the main denominations in the UK. Christian Aid's groundbreaking work began in 1945, when they were founded by British and Irish churches to help refugees following the Second World War. They continue today by working to support sustainable development, eradicate poverty, support civil society and provide disaster relief in 24 countries around the world. Christian Aid created the

Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) so that development agencies were seen to work together in times of humanitarian crisis.

FOR MU MEMBERS: AN APOLOGY FROM JOANNA

The wave of prayer for Mothers' Union members is Monday 20th May at 15:30, not this coming Monday as Joanna said. Everyone is welcome to join us. The wave of prayer is an offering of prayer from and for the Mothers Union around the world. It is something that concerns every MU member as all take part in prayer for Mothers Union in each diocese of the Anglican Communion in turn. For our branch, our half hour spot is 15.30, as above. If members cannot meet in Church they are welcome to pray in their own space as we support our partner diocese of Grahamstown South Africa, Masasi Tanzania, Afikpo Nigeria, Wiawso Ghana West and Northern Argentina.

St Laurence Parish Church, Frodsham

Please spare a moment to read our "Giving in Grace" leaflet which can be found at the back of church, on the [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

Thank you to all who have responded so far - it is very encouraging for us. Let's hope and pray that this continues, as people continue to respond to our request to give regularly to our Parish Church.

The Church of England is often seen as wealthy; people are often surprised to discover that a church's ministry is mainly funded by the generosity of local people.

That's exactly how it is here at St Laurence Frodsham.

Perhaps you don't give because no one's ever asked you?

I'm asking you now.

Or you don't give regularly because you've never got round to it?

I'm praying that today is the day.

Or maybe you think St Laurence Church doesn't need it?

I can assure you it does!

Our "Giving in Grace" scheme is an invitation to you to become a Friend of St Laurence Frodsham and explains why we need help from as many people as possible. With your help, the future of our wonderful parish church and its Christian ministry to the people of Frodsham will be secure for generations to come.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read, pray and respond to this invitation. As well as the addresses on the leaflet - there will be a box at the back of church labelled "Giving in Grace" for you to return completed forms.

Reverend Elaine Atack – Vicar of Frodsham, 28th April 2024

OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND St Laurence Parish Church and the Frodsham and District History Society are holding a joint exhibition, 'Open House', over the weekend of 8th/9th June. Come along for a tour of Church, a tour of the Bell Tower (Saturday only), learn about the Prince who is buried in St Laurence churchyard and the many stories about the memorials in Church. (Teaser 1 - How is a retired teacher buried in Frodsham connected to the birthplace of Prime Minister, William Gladstone? You will find the answer on Memorial 49.)

There will be a children's trail and refreshments will be available. We do hope you will join us!

FOODBANK Food drop-off - supermarket drop off points; in church; distribution centre on Ship Street (Fridays 1-3pm). The foodbank is currently short of: **Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Meat, Tinned Fish, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Vegetables, Long Life Milk, Instant Soup, Fruit Juice, Coffee, Household Cleaning Products, Toilet Rolls.**

For info on how to give or get help go to <https://runcorndistrict.foodbank.org.uk>

DONATIONS TO CHURCH If you would like to contribute to St Laurence, our Bank Account details are as follows: St Laurence Frodsham Parochial Church Council Sort Code: 09-01-55 Acc. No: 42559803. Alternatively, you can donate here: <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/371c0c8f-ea13-4763-9688-e0de77dd8475> or scan the code. Thank you.

Open House Weekend



At St Laurence Parish Church
Saturday 8th June (10.30—16.30)
and Sunday 9th June (13.30—16.30)

Come and explore the beautiful building of St Laurence and learn about the history of the building and the stories behind the people commemorated on the memorials, Prince Waribo, the Gastrell Silver, the Anglo Saxon Stones and much more! There will be exhibitions by the **Frodsham and District History Society**, tours of the church, tours of the Bell Tower (Saturday), information about baptisms, weddings etc and much more!

Refreshments will be available.

We do hope you will join us over the Open Weekend.



FROM RUSS The organ recital on 18th May is now cancelled. Apologies for any inconvenience.

*Our safeguarding officer can be contacted on the dedicated phone line 07862 321 560.
Please use it only for safeguarding issues.*

The Alternative Collect for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen



The Alternative Collect for The Ascension of Christ

Risen Christ,
you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:
help us to seek and serve you,
that we may join you at the Father's side,
where you reign with the Spirit in glory,
now and for ever.
Amen

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