



# WELCOME

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## 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### HYMNS

Introit 9

Gradual Psalm Antiphon (Ps 118)

*This is the day of the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.*

Offertory 332

Communion 429

Recessional 428 (omit vv. 3, 4)



### COLLECT

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

FOR OUR PRAYERS: Fintan, Ian, Molly, Benjamin, Brian, Kathy

IN REMEMBRANCE: Alice Whitehead, Agnes D'Aguiar, Clarice Wilson, Fran Farley

CHRIST CHURCH CHAPEL  
ECUMENICAL SERVICES

Every Thursday evening from 18:30 we hold an ecumenical service at Christ Church Chapel, South Road SE23 2UJ, These are quiet, contemplative services and are open to everyone so please do join us.



KNIT & NATTER

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Knit & Natter will have to take a break for the time being but will resume this Autumn. We'll let you know the next meeting date when we have it.

APCM

The **APCM** will be held at **St Michael & All Angels** on **Tuesday 30 April** at 19:30. Please come if you can. If you'd like a paper copy of the reports and / or the financial report, please ask Luiza.



FILM FOR THOUGHT

Just a reminder that our next meeting in **Monday 29 April**. The film we will be discussing is 'The Scarlet and the Black', available on Amazon or on YouTube:  
<https://shorturl.at/cewV6>



## ST CHRISTOPHER'S FUN WALK

Don't forget, Susie and Mo are taking part in St Christopher's Hospice fundraising '**Fun Walk**' on **Sunday 12 May**. If you can sponsor them, that would be great! Please speak to them asap and get your name on their list.



## BOOK STALL

Good morning readers. After the service, you can browse through our book selection in the foyer. Paperbacks 50p Hardbacks £1. If anyone fancies giving a hand occasionally you would be more than welcome. Happy reading, Pat and Judy.



## EVENTS THIS WEEK

### **Monday 29 April**

Church: 19:00 - Meditation group

Studio: 19:00 - 20:30 - Guides

Church: 19:30 - **Film for Thought**

### **Tuesday 30 April**

Church: 09:30 - Morning prayer

Church: 10:30 - Ecumenical service

Hall: 18:00-19:30 - Brownies

St Michael's: 19:30 - **APCM**

Studio: 18:00-19:30 - Rangers

### **Wednesday 1 May**

Hall: 18:00 - Cubs, 20:00 - Scouts

Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

### **Thursday 2 May**

Hall: 18:15 - 19:15 - Beavers

Chapel 18:30 - Ecumenical service

### **Saturday 4 May**

Church: 09:30 - Morning Prayer

Studio: 11:00-12:00 - Yoga class

### **Sunday 5 May**

Church: 10:00 - Eucharist

Studio: 14:00 - 17:00 - Outside group

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Wednesday 29 May**

Church: 13:00 - **Lunch Club**

### **Wednesday 26 June**

Church: 13:00 - **Lunch Club**

NT: Acts 8: 26—end

<sup>26</sup> Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, ‘Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.’ (This is a wilderness road.) <sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, ‘Go over to this chariot and join it.’ <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, ‘Do you understand what you are reading?’ <sup>31</sup> He replied, ‘How can I, unless someone guides me?’ And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

‘Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.’

<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, ‘About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?’

<sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, ‘Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from

being baptized?’ <sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.



GOSPEL: John 15: 1—8

‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. <sup>2</sup> He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

<sup>6</sup> Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.