



Welcome to the Abbey Church of
St Mary and St Ethelflaeda
& St Swithun's, Crampmoor.



Easter 6

21st May 2017 Rogation

8.00am
Celebrant

Eucharist
Revd Jonathan Watkins

10.00am
Celebrant
Preacher
Hymns

Sung Eucharist
Canon Tim Sledge
Revd. Paul Hollingworth
Processional 106 , Offertory 333
Communion 307, Post Communion 265
66,- 7-end

Psalm
Setting
Motet
Voluntary

Missa Brevis - Bingham
The Lord bless you and keep you - Rutter
Trumpet Tune - Nicholson

*Prayers & Anointing for Healing are available
in St Anne's Chapel after the service*

10.00am

Way In - Church Rooms

10.00am
Celebrant

Holy Communion at St Swithun's
Revd. Jonathan Watkins

11.30am

Holy Communion (BCP)

12.15pm
Leader

Holy Baptism
Revd. David Potterton

6.30pm
Officiant
Preacher
Introit
Responses
Canticles
Hymns
Readings
Anthem

Evensong for Rogation and Procession to the fields
Canon Tim Sledge
Andy Lester, A Rocha UK
Teach me Thy Way - Fox
Leighton Psalm 87
Sumsion in G
393, 73, 114
Deuteronomy 8.1-10; Revelation 21.22 -22.5
Out of the Deep - Morley

2017 PROGRAMME	PRAYER TALK 9 - 10am	COLLECTING PRAYERS on the SREETS 10.30—11.30am	PRAYER for the COMMUNITY 12.00—12.45pm
Fri 26 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	URC
SAT 27 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Baptist Church
SUN 28 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Abbey
MON 29 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Methodist
TUE 30 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Christian Centre
WED 31 May	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Abbey
THUR 1 June	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Methodist
FRI 2 June	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Baptist
SAT 3 June	CAFFÉ NERO	Outside Phoenix Pub	Abbey

HOSTS NEEDED

PRAYER TALK
Relax with a coffee and chat about Prayer. All welcome!

COLLECTING PRAYERS on the STREETS

Join us as we ask people to share their prayers with you

**Team Members
URGENTLY NEEDED**

**Praying People
NEEDED.**

PRAYER for the COMMUNITY
Join us as we pray the prayers collected on the streets.

Get Involved. Call, text or email David Potterton
07468 527820/potterton.david@gmail.com



This Week in the Abbey

Readings for today

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 17:22-31

Paul exhorts the Athenians to discard idols, whose enslaving appetites can never be satisfied, and to worship the God who dwells in every breath of creation, including our own.

Second reading: 1 Peter::3.13 - end

Peter instils confidence into fledgling Christian communities, encouraging them to hold firm to Christ's teaching and example in the face of antagonism from their contemporaries

Gospel reading: John 14:15-21

Jesus assures his disciples that, through the comfort of the Spirit and the obedience of his word, they will never be alone or abandoned in a hostile world.

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**

Priest at Font	Revd Paul Hollingworth
Deacon	Revd Michael Starr
Sub-Deacon:	Rowland Davies
Intercessor:	Nick Virgo
Readers	10am Margaret How 6.30pm Tim Burbidge
Communion Assistants:	Jean Martin, Chris Maxey, Caroline Sledge, Liz Wagner

NOTICES

GENERAL ELECTION HUSTINGS with all the candidates, in the Abbey on Thursday 1st June 7.30pm. As in previous years, questions can be sent to the parish office – email parishoffice@romseyabbey.org.uk Questions around "kingdom" issues, rather than just predictable questions which only look at manifesto policies would be appreciated. Questions must reach the parish office by 31st May.

Monday 22nd May - Psalm 149.1-5 John 15.26 - 16.4

Daily Intention: All involved in food preparation

For the sick: Michael Lucas, Jan Herd, Anne Gray & Pauline Fraser

8.00 am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

Tuesday 23rd- Psalm 138, John 16.5-11

Daily Intention: The Mediation Group

For the sick: Elizabeth Baldwin, John Wattie, Joyce Riley & Jake

9.15am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

1.10pm Lunchtime Recital

7.45pm Meditation Group

Wednesday 24th- Psalm 148. 1-2, 11-end, John 16.12-15

Daily Intention: Hymn writers and compilers of hymn books

For the sick: Daniel Green, Colin Knight, Daphne, Beryl Gritt & Jane Arden

8.00am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

11.00am Funeral - Ralph Rogers

Thursday 25th Ascension Day Psalm 47, Luke 24.44-end

Daily Intention: Jesus Christ, our risen and ascended King

For the sick: Kate Wood, Dottie Latham, Bryan Taphouse & Anais

10.30am Holy Communion

1.00pm Lunchtime Concert

7.30pm Deanery Ascension Day Sung Eucharist

Friday 26th- Psalm 47. 1-6, John 16.20-23

Daily Intention: Archbishop Justin Welby

For the sick: Megan Sutton, Simon Hudson, Leonie Warwick and Luke & Jake Berry

8.00am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

7.30pm Concert

Saturday 27th- Psalm 47. 1-2, 7-end, John 16.23-28

Daily Intention: Overseas (Myanmar)

For the sick: Beth Hingley, Pat Gannaway & Alfie Butler

9.15am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

1.00pm Wedding: Creed & Stenlake 2.30pm Wedding: Allen & Hampson

4.00pm Holy Baptism

Seventh Sunday of Easter - 28th May

Daily Intention: The coming of the Kingdom of God

8.00am Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

10.00am Holy Communion at St Swithun's

12.15pm. Holy Baptism

3.30pm Eucharist followed by Parish Tea

6.30pm Evensong

Readings for next Sunday:

Acts 1.6-14 Psalm 68.1-10, 32-end, 1 Peter 4. 12-14;5.6-11, John 17.1-11 **6.30pm:** Psalms 47, 2 Samuel 23.1-5 Ephesians 1.15-end

Would you like to be part of the **PASTORAL MINISTRY** in the parish? We are looking for more people to help with visiting baptism families and communion at home and nursing homes. To find out more or join in this ministry, please have a word with Jill or Tim.

The **LECTIO DIVINA** Group meet on the **3rd** Wednesday of the month at 10.30am at the Wisdom Centre.

HOME GROUPS: the Abbey has several home groups that meet regularly at different times in the week. They provide an opportunity to get to know a smaller group of people better and to explore aspects of the Christian faith in a friendly, open atmosphere. If you would like to join a home group, please have a word with Tim or contact the Parish Office.

The **JULIAN GROUP** meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month, 2.30pm at the home of a parishioner. Members take it in turns to read an introduction, which is followed by half an hour or so of contemplative prayer. Refreshments and socialising afterwards. Contact Nigel Herriott for further details.

Nik Gower, our new curate, will be ordained in Winchester Cathedral on Sunday 2nd July at 10am. He will come to Evensong on that Sunday in the Abbey and there will be drinks afterwards to welcome him in the South Garth. Please pray for Nik and his wife Heidi, who is expecting their first child in the next few months, as they move to Romsey and settle into their new life and ministry here.

CAN YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE? Our stewards do! Visitors get a warm welcome and we share what we know about this special place. Most stewards do two hours every two weeks and work in pairs. If you would like to talk it over, please contact Sheila Latimer on R 523120 or email sheilalatimer@hotmail.com

Don't forget the CELEBRATING COMMUNITY weekend, which looks at all the many different volunteer groups and organisations which support young and old across this community. 3rd & 4th June here in the Abbey.



WELCOME TABLE - for anyone new to the Abbey, there are details of the parish's varied life and activities on the table by the font.

REVISED OPENING TIMES The Parish Office will ONLY be open between 10am and 12.30pm. and 1.30pm. and 3pm. until further notice.

This Thursday is **ASCENSION DAY**. In the evening there will be **DEANERY SUNG EUCHARIST**, to which everyone is invited at 7.30pm here in the Abbey. The Preacher will be Rt Revd David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke, who will launch the "Thy Kingdom Come" initiative. Wine and juice will be served afterwards.

PLANT SALE Thank you to all who helped in any way to make this event successful.

FELLOWSHIP & FUNDRAISING (2Fs) invites you to a talk by our Verger, Neil Howe, on "*Subversive, Satirical and Scandalous: An Introduction to Eighteenth Century Caricature*" on Wed 31st May at 7.30pm Church Rooms. £5 pre-booking during Sunday coffee or from Liz Hallett (R. 522398) or £6 on the door - will include a selection of delicious desserts.

Reminder - there will be a **PARISH VISITORS'** meeting on Tuesday 23rd May at 7.30pm. in the Church Rooms.

The Abbey **KNITTING & SEWING GROUP** meet in the church rooms on Thursday 25th May at 2.30pm

Please leave **EASTER CARDS** for recycling at the Gift Stall - Thank you

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - Thank you to all those who took part in the door to door collection

Date for your diary **PARISH HOG ROAST** Sunday 9th July 12.30pm Tickets only £10 available soon from Liz Wagner

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY to Preach at Winchester Cathedral 'Thy Kingdom Come' at Pentecost (4th June) This will be the culmination to the Archbishop's call to prayer from Ascension Day to Pentecost – details from www.winchester.anglican.org/about-us/thy-kingdom-come/

The **MOTHERS' UNION** invite you to a talk by George Richford, the Abbey Musical Director, followed by strawberries, cream, cakes and tea. To be held in the Church Rooms on Tuesday, 13th June at 2.15 pm. Tickets £4 from any member of the committee.

In a brilliant time of 3hrs 37mins 57secs our team completed the **RELAY MARATHON** - thank you for all your support and donations. Please hand in any sponsorship money to Churchwardens or pass to Parish Office. Bridget Brook

PARISH TEA at 4pm NEXT Sunday in the church rooms - ALL WELCOME