

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10th May 2026



StMARYwithStALBAN
PARISH CHURCH of TEDDINGTON

THE GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (200)

1. Christ the Lord is risen again,
Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, angelic voices cry,
singing evermore on high, Alleluia!

2. He who gave for us his life,
who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb to-day;
we too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!

3. He who bore all pain and loss
comfortless upon the cross,
lives in glory now on high,
pleads for us, and hears our cry: *Alleluia!*

4. He whose path no records tell,
who descended into hell,
who the strong man armed hath bound,
now in highest heaven is crowned. *Alleluia!*

5. He who slumbered in the grave
is exalted now to save;
now through Christendom it rings
that the Lamb is King of kings. *Alleluia!*

6. Now he bids us tell abroad
how the lost may be restored,
how the penitent forgiven,
how we too may enter heaven. *Alleluia!*

7. Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
take our sins and guilt away:
let us sing by night and day Alleluia!

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ be
with you

All and also with you.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

The Children's Church leave for their worship.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from
whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and
worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.**

Amen

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – *The Mass of the Bread of Life, Margaret Rizza*

All Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.

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, receive our prayer; receive our prayer.

You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory, the glory, ✠ the glory of God the Father.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

THE COLLECT FOR THE WEEK *The Collect is said after a short period of silence*

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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING – *Ezekiel 37.1–14, read by a member of the congregation*

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, ‘Mortal, can these bones live?’ I answered, ‘O Lord God, you know.’ ⁴Then he said to me, ‘Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.’

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, ‘Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.’ ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, ‘Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, “Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.” ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.’

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

THE SECOND READING – *Acts 16.9–15, read by a member of the congregation*

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.’ ¹⁰When 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, ¹²and 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. ¹³On 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. ¹⁴A 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. ¹⁵When 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.

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN (216)

1. The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God;
from death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our God hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.

2. Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection-light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own 'All hail', and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

3. Now let the heavens be joyful,
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

GOSPEL READING - *John 14.23-29*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, '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. ²⁴Whoever 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. ²⁶But 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. ²⁷Peace 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. ²⁸You 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. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Jesus our exalted Lord has been given all authority. Let us seek his intercession that our prayers may be perfected by his prayer.

Lord in your mercy or Lord, hear us

All **Hear our prayer** **Lord, graciously hear us**

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.**
Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you

All **and also with you. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN (453)

1. Lord, enthroned in
 heavenly splendour
first-begotten from the dead,
thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesu, true and living bread.

2. Here our humblest homage pay we,
here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray we,
lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia, alleluia,
thou art here, we ask not how.

3. Though the lowliest form
 doth veil thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia,
we in worship join with them.

4. Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou wast slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia, alleluia,
cleansing souls from every stain.

5. Life-imparting heavenly manna,
stricken rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, alleluia,
risen, ascended, glorified!

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit and made us a people for your own possession.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you because you raised him gloriously from the dead. For he is the true paschal lamb who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest; hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name, he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest; hosanna in the highest.

Or, if said:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!

✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, in the highest!

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit ✠ these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: *Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation, and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us your peace.

Or, if said:

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.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Everyone is welcome to come forward for the Eucharist or a blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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**

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

The Notices are given, and Children's Church share their worship.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (422)

1. Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight
received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3. Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy
throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen**

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The ministers and people depart.

ART SALE TODAY AND 16/17 MAY

Kitty Wass, talented, local Teddington artist, is getting involved through the sale of her art, to help raise what she can towards the remaining £300,000 needed to complete Building Anew.

Buy one of Kitty's pieces from her Teddington studio event on 9/10 & 16/17 May, part of Kingston Art Open Studios '26, and Kitty will donate 25% of the sale price.

Visit Kitty at Gresford Lodge, 52 Somerset Rd, TW11 8RX (entrance on the cnr of Church Rd) from 10am-5pm, and have the joy of immersing yourself in Kitty's rather magical, mystical semi-abstract work and thank you for any purchase you make. www.kittywass.co.uk



WHAT'S ON - MAY

MONDAYS
11, 18, 25
COMMUNITY CAFÉ
1.30-4pm
Peter & Paul Centre

TUESDAY
12
FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL: LUNCH
12noon
Piazza Firenze

TUESDAYS
12, 26
PLAIN & PEARL SOCIAL CRAFTING
7.30pm
Mina Hogan Room

THURSDAYS
14, 21
TRAHERNE READING GROUP
1-3pm
Mina Hogan Room

THURSDAY
14
ASCENSION DAY SUNG EUCHARIST
7.30pm
SMwSA Church

SUNDAY
17
ALL-AGE PARISH EUCHARIST
10am
SMwSA Church

SUNDAY
17
SPEAKER: Peter Robertson
within 10am service
SMwSA Church

SUNDAY
17
BUILDING ANEW UPDATE MEETING
11.30am
St Mary's Parish Hall

SUNDAY
17
CHORAL EVENSONG
6.30pm
SMwSA Church

MONDAY
18
BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ
10-11.30am
Peter & Paul Centre

TUESDAY
19
MEMORY CAFÉ
1.30-3pm
Peter & Paul Centre

THU & SAT
21 & 23
CHURCHYARD GARDENING
10am-12noon
SMwSA Churchyard

TUESDAY
26
FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL: COFFEE
10.30am
Shambles Restaurant

THURSDAY
28
PARISH NEWSLETTER BUNDLING
2.30pm
Mina Hogan Room

church service

requires booking

Full Calendar



visit www.teddingtonparish.org

ASCENSION: 14 MAY



On Thursday, we will mark The Feast of the Ascension with a Sung Eucharist at 7.30pm.

NEXT SUNDAY: 17 MAY

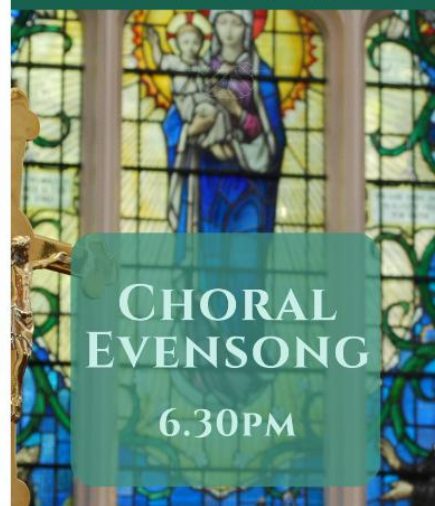
Third Sunday of every month

10AM
ALL-AGE EUCHARIST SERVICE



Third Sunday of Every Month

CHORAL EVENSONG
6.30PM



ALSO NEXT SUNDAY: 17 MAY

Along with the usual All-Age and Evensong Services on the third Sunday of the month, we welcome Peter Roberston, Christian Aid Speaker, to the 10am, and afterwards you are invited to a Building Anew Update in the Parish Hall from 11.30am, over coffee & biscuits.

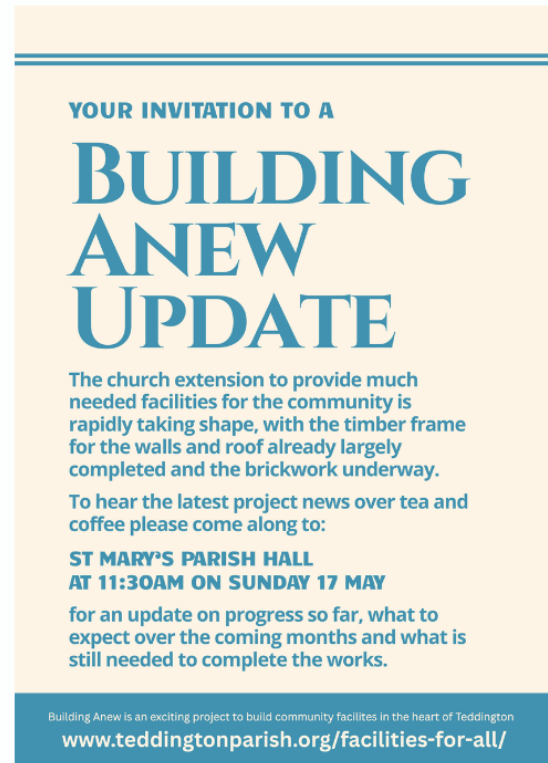


CHRISTIAN AID SUNDAY
17 May

With Speaker Peter Robertson within the 10am service

Can you fund vital tools, seeds and training, to help overcome urban poverty in Nairobi?

DONATE HERE



YOUR INVITATION TO A
BUILDING ANEW UPDATE

The church extension to provide much needed facilities for the community is rapidly taking shape, with the timber frame for the walls and roof already largely completed and the brickwork underway.

To hear the latest project news over tea and coffee please come along to:

**ST MARY'S PARISH HALL
AT 11:30AM ON SUNDAY 17 MAY**

for an update on progress so far, what to expect over the coming months and what is still needed to complete the works.

Building Anew is an exciting project to build community facilities in the heart of Teddington
www.teddingtonparish.org/facilities-for-all/

PRAYERS FOR SMWSA AT ST PAUL'S

On Thursday 28 May, this parish will feature in the Cycle of Prayer at St Paul's Cathedral at both the 8am & 12.30pm services, and 5pm Choral Evensong. You are invited to attend and no need to book. Seats can be reserved in the Quire for Evensong though, so please contact the Office if of interest.

GIVE TO SMWSA

To donate, please use the QR code or text "SMWSA give" to 07380307800 and follow the instructions. Thank you.



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