

**St Mary the Virgin and All Saints
Potters Bar**

14th May 2017

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

*A warm welcome to St Mary's,
especially if this is your first time here.*

*Refreshments are served after Parish Communion.
We look forward to meeting you and seeing you again.*

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**

10.00am **PARISH COMMUNION**

First Reading: Acts 7 vv 55-60 *Stephen, the first martyr, is stoned to death.*

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2 vv 2-10 *St Peter reminds us that we are called to be a holy priesthood – living stones, with Christ as the cornerstone.*

Gospel: John 14 vv 1-14 *In his farewell discourse to his disciples, Jesus expresses his one-ness with God.*

Hymns: 205 – Christ is made the sure foundation
374 – How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
113 – Love's redeeming work is done
70 – Lord Jesus, think on me
477 – Ye that know the Lord is gracious

5.00pm **EVENSONG**

*Our flowers this week are donated by Geoff Foster
and arranged by Pearl Shepherd*

The Week Ahead

Tuesday – Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday – Friday 5.00pm Evening Prayer
(except Thursday)

Tuesday **St Matthias the Apostle (transferred)**

9.30am Holy Communion

7.30pm Holy Communion

8.00pm PCC meeting

Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Saturday 9.00am - 5.30pm Diocesan Reader Selection
Conference in church

Next Sunday is the **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am **FAMILY COMMUNION**

6.30pm Evensong at Christ Church, Little Heath

Eucharist readings next Sunday will be: Acts 17 vv 22-31

1 Peter 3 vv 13-22 and John 14 vv 15-21.

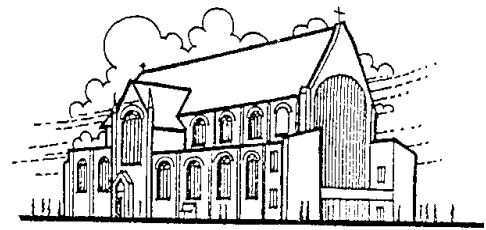
Looking for a venue? To hire St Mary's Hall,
please contact Oliver Matley on 07880 860750

A reminder that the church is open for visitors from
10am to 12 noon every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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Parish Notices

Many thanks to the organisers and performers at last weekend's Community Concert. Also many thanks to those who baked cakes for sale. **£511.85** was raised towards work to the church grand piano.

Christian Aid Week runs from today until next Saturday. Our loose collection at both services **next Sunday** will be donated to Christian Aid – and there are also red envelopes available at the back of church for you to gift aid your donation. Please give generously.

Next Saturday, Potters Bar Choral Society presents a concert "In the Mood – music from the great American Songbook" at King Charles the Martyr Church at 7.30pm. Further details available from Dave, Julian or Gillian.

Ascension Day is Thursday 25th May. There will be celebrations of the Eucharist on that day at 9.30am and 8.00pm (a Sung Eucharist).

We will be holding a **Midsummer Strawberry Tea** in church on **Saturday 24th June** from 3pm to 5pm. All welcome. Enjoy the company of friends in the ambience of our beautiful building. Please sign the list on the notice board if you are able to come. Tickets are £5 (half price for children).

Jenny & Clive Pearce give thanks for the safe arrival of a new grandson, born last Sunday. We congratulate them both, together with daughter Debbie and her husband.

For your prayers :

The sick Fr Jeff Stratton, Joan Rutter, Janet Dear, Christopher Schools, Nora Wood, Nick Brindley, Jean & Vic Cotton, Jill West, Andrew Butcher, baby Ava, Jan Davis, David Evans, Pauline Barclay, Christine Barclay, Peter Appleyard, Eileen Williams

We also remember Marilyn Grosse, John Gamby, Dominic Hilton, Margaret Bowers, Mollie Brown, Marjorie Zefahs, Nicola Stiff, Barbara Stratton, Ivor Stringer, Greta Murphy, Ivy Ponnaiyah, Ben Kuschel, John Elliott, Molly Hines, Colin Woodford, Sally & John Honeychurch, Robert

The recently departed

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week

Elizabeth Perkins, Connie Cavalier, Michael Love, Francis Jones, Elsie Hancock, May Chandler, William Martin, Douglas McMullen, Richard Viney, Ivy Jones, Victor Simson, Fr Leslie Brooksmith, Muriel Follett

Our parish We remember those who live in Tavistock Close, Tempest Avenue and Thaynesfield

Items for next week's sheet to Richard Osborn (Tel: 07803 756088 / e-mail: rmosborn@hotmail.com) by Thursday
Please let Fr Stefan know about illnesses or any other emergencies affecting parishioners.

THIS NEWS SHEET IS FOR YOU TO KEEP - PLEASE TAKE IT HOME WITH YOU