

Services and Opening Times

1st Sunday of each month

8.30 a.m. BCP Holy Communion

9.45 a.m. All Age Service

2nd Sunday

9.45 a.m. Holy Communion

3rd Sunday

8.30 a.m. BCP Holy Communion

9.45 a.m. Morning Prayer

4th Sunday

9.45 a.m. Holy Communion

5th Sunday

9.45 a.m. Family Communion

A Rocha Eco Church

St Mary's have started to work towards our Eco Church awards and we are looking to put together a team of people who would be interested in helping. If you are interested in joining in, please talk to Liz Lee.

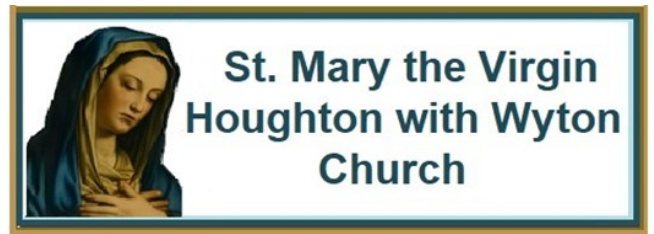
Each month, we will suggest making JUST ONE CHANGE to reduce our environmental impact and encourage nature.

This month's eco tip for **May** is to eat seasonally (consuming food produce that is harvested in the current time of year).

In May, asparagus, elderflower, radishes, carrots, wild garlic, jersey royal potatoes are a few examples. Eating seasonally is also cheaper and often tastes better.

Notices

1. Recycle your small electrical items and cables etc in the **Pink Bin** adjacent to the main door of The St. Mary's Centre.



The Fifth Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2026



Farewell Discourse by Duccio 1308-1311

Today

8.30 am Morning Prayer Service

Preacher: **Guy Morton**

9.45 am All Age Worship Service

Preacher: **Liz Lee**

Readings: **Genesis 8:1-19**

John 14:1-14

Collects: **The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

1. Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

2. 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. **Amen.**

The Flood Subsides

¹But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and all the domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided; ²the fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, ³and the waters gradually receded from the earth. At the end of one hundred fifty days the waters had abated, ⁴and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵The waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared. ⁶At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent out the raven, and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground, ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark, ¹¹and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days and sent out the dove, and it did not return to him any more. ¹³In the six hundred first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth, and Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked and saw that the face of the ground was drying. ¹⁴In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. ¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶“Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” ¹⁸So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives. ¹⁹And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.

Jesus the Way to the Father

¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”



ZOOM Meetings—Evensong on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. Anyone wanting to join should request the info required from
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