

## ECUMENICAL PENTECOST SONGS OF PRAISE, SUNDAY 20 MAY, 6.00PM

Please do join us at this service to sing a number of rousing hymns and celebrate our unity in the Spirit with our brothers and sisters in Christ from the other churches in the Corsham area as we mark the 'birthday' of the early church. If you are able to assist us with the provision of cakes for the after-service refreshments, please contact Chris Alexander on 01249 716676.

## CORSHAM SPONSORS REFUGEES

You are warmly invited to attend a meeting at Corsham Town Hall on Tuesday May 15th at 7pm to find out about a new charity which is being established to sponsor and potentially re-settle a family of Syrian refugees in Corsham. Moved by the plight of thousands of people who have fled war and persecution, we decided to get involved to provide compassion, care and a home to a family who are currently living in a refugee camp. We very much believe that the Corsham community will be able to provide the sanctuary and safety that this family will require to re-build their lives. Please come to find out more about the Community Sponsorship scheme, hear from a group in Devon who have already provided a home for one refugee family and find out what support we can provide as a community in Corsham. Refreshments will be available. If you have any questions before then, please email [corshamsponsorsrefugees@gmail.com](mailto:corshamsponsorsrefugees@gmail.com) or speak to Christine Reid or Sian Cooper.

## HOUSE GROUP



We meet on Thursday 17th May at 7:30pm at 17 Light Close, Corsham to continue our current Bible Study series on the 2nd Letter of Peter. Further details are available from Neil Pidduck (01249) 715848.

## AUCTION NIGHT

Promises and items are needed for the auction night on 2nd June. Forms are on the cross pew. Please return completed forms by the 23rd May to L'nora or Chris Alexander. Donated items can be collected by contacting L'nora or Chris. Tickets for wine and cheese, cost £5, will be available soon.

### DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Items for inclusion in each Sunday's sheet should be submitted not later than **MIDDAY on the preceding Wednesday.**

**Email to:** [news@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk](mailto:news@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk) or  
**Post/deliver to:** 1 Park Lane, Corsham. ☎ 01249 701783 (answering machine available).

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# Weekly Information Sheet

**13 May 2018**  
**Sunday after Ascension**

*PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU as a reference source during the coming week.  
Also check the website for any breaking news and for much more information.*

## DIARY DATES

<b>Mon 14 May</b>	2.00pm	Craft & Co meet at 33 Park Lane
	7.30pm	Buildings Bubble meets
<b>Thurs 17 May</b>	10.00am	Coffee for Corsham Court visitors in Church
<b>Fri 18 May</b>	Moring	Church cleaning (team C)
<b>Tue 22 May</b>	7.30pm	Leadership Team, Church House
<b>Wed 23 May</b>	7.30pm	Worship Bubble, 7 Spring Gardens, Priory Street

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY – 14 – 20 May 18

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Churches open*</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10am-11:30am St Aldhelm's open for prayer, and 11:30am-12noon for a time of led reflection</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew 2pm service and refreshments Corsham Baptist Church</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>12 noon St Patrick service and refreshments</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Churches open*</b>
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Churches open*</b>
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>6pm St Bartholomew: Joint Churches Songs of Praise Service for Pentecost</b>

\*These churches will be open all week during daylight hours for quiet prayer: St Cyriac, Lacock; St Philip and St James, Neston; St Patrick Church, Corsham; St Bartholomew, Corsham; and St John the Baptist, Gastard.

### For More information:

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**PASTORAL VISITING:** If you know of someone who is in need of pastoral care please contact L'nora Olney on 01225 859202 so that appropriate arrangements can be made. These might include a visit at home or in hospital and/or the provision of home communion

## Sunday 13 May 2018 – Sunday after Ascension

### Collect

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

### Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 36:24-28 (NRSVA)

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup> I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup> A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. <sup>28</sup> Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### New Testament Reading – Acts 1:15-17, 21-end (NRSVA)

<sup>15</sup> In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, <sup>16</sup> 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup> for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.

<sup>21</sup> So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup> beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' <sup>23</sup> So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup> Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup> to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' <sup>26</sup> And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

### Gospel Reading John 17:6-19 (NRSVA)

<sup>6</sup> 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup> I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

### SERVICES FOR THE NEXT WEEK AT ST BART'S

#### **Weds 16 May 18**

**10.00am** Holy Communion led by Revd Andrew

#### **Sun 22 May 18 – Pentecost**

**8.00am** Holy Communion, led by Revd Andrew

**10.00am** **Family Communion and Baptism**, led by Revd Andrew  
*Anthem: NARDONE – I give you a new commandment*

**12:15** Baptism Event

**6.00pm** Pentecost Songs of Praise led by Revd Andrew