

St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.
Week Commencing 19th May 2019

The Lord is risen! Alleluia! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." John 13 v35

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Today's Services for Sunday, 19th May
5th Sunday of Easter

9.00 am said Eucharist (Common Worship)
10.30 am adult and children's arts and craft session in the hall, all are welcome.

6.30 pm sung Evensong (BCP)

Evensong Hymns:

- 87 Colours of Day
- 231 I heard the voice of Jesus say
- 452 Soul of my Saviour
- 311 Lord Jesus Christ

Services for W/C 19th April

Monday 20th 12 noon Mid-day prayers

Tuesday 21st 10 am said Eucharist

Sunday 26th 10.30 am sung Eucharist
(Common Worship)

We pray for those who are sick:- Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Jean Lees, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Margaret Mills, Marion Williams, Alexei, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Margaret Savage, Ann Heath, Stewart Kirby, Nesta Pearman, Hazel Richards, Heather, Ben Crawford, John, Carol Tolley, Talisein together with their families

We pray for the soul of Pam Nicholls recently departed, and hold her husband Colin and their children Chris and Helen in our prayers.

Nightstop Foodbank: There is a box at the rear of the church in which food and toiletry gifts can be placed.

Spotlight Notices: Please give notices for inclusion in Spotlight to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk

Log onto our website for more information

www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

Astwood Bank in Bloom (ABIB): ABIB is organising a **flower festival** in church on the weekend of **June 8th 9th**, with setting up taking place on Friday 7th. Volunteers are needed to be in attendance during those days and to provide refreshments. We shall also be running a cake stall so lots of cakes are needed. If you can offer an hour or two over the weekend or can provide some cakes then please see Irene. More information will follow nearer the event.

Congratulations! It has been announced that the Bishop of Dudley, Graham Usher is to be the next Bishop of Norwich. Bishop Graham will leave our diocese at the end of July and will be formally enthroned as the Bishop of Norwich in Norwich Cathedral in the late Autumn.

Ordination of Victoria Barlow: Please let Glenn know if you would like or intend to be present at Victoria's ordination on Sunday June 23rd, so that transport can be arranged.

Churches together in Redditch (CTiR): The May call to prayer is for our own church here in Astwood Bank. We are thankful for the start of Messy Church and that it goes from strength to strength. We are also thankful for the opportunity to welcome Victoria Barlow our new curate in June. Over the weekend of June 8th/9th we are excited at the prospect of hosting a flower festival in church and the opportunity to meet new people from our community. Our major worry is the declining numbers attending our church. How we reach and engage with new people in our community is our major concern and we pray for God's help in our endeavours to accomplish this.

Home Visits: Anyone who wishes to have a home visit or receive home communion should contact Irene Hamilton on 894179.

