

This Week and Beyond

Sunday 2nd May

**10:30 am Holy Communion Service
(Only available via Zoom)**

**No Mid-Week Holy Communion
until further notice**

Sunday 9th May

**10:30 am Holy Communion Service
(Only available via Zoom)**

Ladies Self Defence Class

One of the regular hall users Meridan Kung Fu, will be holding some one off Self Defence classes here at Christ Church. These classes will run at the following times:

Sun: 27/06 2pm - 4pm and 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Sat: 03/07 3pm - 5pm

These classes are free of charge and there are a few extra spaces available. If anyone is interested in joining one of these sessions please contact the office and we will give you the booking link.

Christ Church reaches 100 years in 2022

We would like to produce a calendar for the Centenary and it would be great if church members could provide any photos, drawings or paintings. We would also like any church family or individual photos along with a short text advising why you love Christ Church, for a display in church. The images would need to be good quality for printing, If you have anything you would like to submit for possible inclusion, please email it to the office.



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**A very warm
Welcome
to Christ Church**

Weekly Notices for week commencing

25th April

Welcome to our newsletter, even if we can't welcome you into the church. It is challenging to develop new ways of sharing in our worship of God, but we are now linking Zoom with the service in church so members can be present, even if remotely. We all hope that this will be a blessing and continue to hold us together as one family in Christ.

This Week at Christ Church

25th April

4th Sunday of Easter

10:30 am Holy Communion

**(Only available on Zoom,
emailed out on request)**

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Sunday's Readings

Acts 4: 5-12

(John 10:11-18)

Our Vision Statement:

**A Christ-centred people connecting creatively
with all generations to share the Gospel and
make 100 new disciples by our 100th
anniversary in 2022**

Prayer Ministry - If you would like prayer for you in person and have concerns that you would like to keep private please contact Simon.

Prayer Requests - On WhatsApp we join together to pray for each other, the church and the world. If you would like to request prayer in that group (or to join) please contact Simon or the office. To access this you will need a Smart phone.

Home Groups meeting regularly via Zoom to explore the Bible and fellowship together. If you would like to join a Home Group, please contact Simon (01702 582585).

Prayer Items



CHARITY OF THE MONTH:

MISSION TO SEAFARERS

During the last year the vital work done by seafarers in maintaining supplies to our shores cannot be underestimated. Finding themselves in many ports 'ship locked' due to Covid restrictions, this has put added strain on them and their families. The Mission to Seafarers have had to adapt to changed ways to access the crews on ships when they are in port. The emphasis now is to develop digital methods such as 'Chat to a Chaplain' and a families support network. Please **pray** for the organisation as they support those who work on ships.

Please also pray for:

Our Parish We remember the residents of Lifstan Way, especially this week.

Our Country

Continue to give thanks for the progress of the Coronavirus vaccinations, both first and second jabs. **Pray** people will still be cautious as mutations into new variants of the virus emerge and **pray** the vaccines will continue to provide protection. Give thanks for the re-opening of non-essential shops and those serving outside food and drink has brought many more people back into work. **Pray for Café Hub** that has re-opened to serve light refreshments at tables outside Christ Church, that it will be the place for us to meet people from our neighbourhood seeking a friendly place to meet and chat. Continue to **pray** that the violence in Northern Ireland will cease and the governments of the UK and Ireland, and the EU, will come to sensible trading arrangements that remove friction and anger.

Our World

Pray for the safety of Egyptian Christians threatened by ISIS following the murder of a Coptic Christian businessman and two other men. **Pray** the Holy Spirit will move to heal division and hatred, and Jesus will be revealed as God's gift of love to bring the peace of salvation to all people. Give thanks for President Biden's policy declaration to reduce USA's greenhouse gases by 50% by the end of this decade, and **pray** the online summit he has hosted will bring a commitment, especially by industrialised nations, to take action to reduce emissions in order to help arrest the rate of climate warming. **Pray** for India- its government, hospitals and its people as the Coronavirus infection rate has surged with a high death rate. **Pray** for the virus to be stayed and vaccination soon brought to all the people.

Notices for this week

Poetry & Paintings that point to Jesus

We are using the arts to explore different aspects of the Christian faith. The group takes place weekly on Zoom, hosted by Sandra Evans.

Next Session: Saturday 24/04

Time 10:30 am

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact the office for details.



Cafe Hub Lite

Cafe Hub lite is now open outdoors;

Tuesday 10am - 12pm

Wednesday 10am - 12pm

We will be serving tea, coffee and cakes, so if you fancy popping down for a cuppa and a chat, it would be lovely to see you. (Weather permitting) **Cash only please.**

Servant Group

The Servant group meets once a month for bible reflection and prayer. The next meeting will be on Monday **10/05** at 9:00 for 9:10 start. Contact the office for details.

PRAY FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Long Term: Trish & Len A, Dick C, Eileen R, Rita C, Sheila D, Sue A, Belinda, Beryl S, Jo M, Marina B, Michelle M and Vicky M; Barbara S; Henriette M; Keith R, Pat's brother-in-law Fred, (multiple health problems).

Current: Sandra & Kev B & family, David C (more tests), Ange E, Jo E, Sandra & Tim E, Marie L (arthritis); Stella R; Trevor H, Barbara T, Mike M, Phil Smee's daughter Verity & family, Clive W (In hospital for tests), Irene W, Kay S (second cataract op 24/04) Pat's cousin Rose (100 yrs, old now in care).

Those on the front line: Pray for protection especially for: Kieran L, Lorna P and Nathalie M. In a difficult situation in Uganda, Rev. Jonathon Soro Bully.

Bereaved: Please pray for all those who are struggling with bereavement.

