

Our prayers are asked:

- for the life of our parish and Cathedral church, that we might better witness to the good news of Jesus Christ
- for Noah being baptised today
- for the Discover DeCrypt project
- for our work with Christian Aid and the work of GARAS
- for all candidates in the General Election
- for all facing famine in Africa
- for those who are sick
- for those who have died including Patricia Hill and Barbara Gilman

Collections are taken during most services to pay for the running of the churches. If you are a UK tax payer, please use the Gift Aid envelope in the pew, complete your details and sign it. This is required to verify that it is you making the donation, so that we can recover tax at no extra expense to yourself. Better still, join our Planned Giving Scheme.

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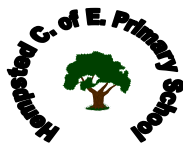
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The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral

21st May 2017
Sixth Sunday of Easter



9.15am	Family Eucharist	St Mary de Lode
Readings	Acts 17:22-31; John 14:15-21	
Hymns	450, Psalm 93, 175, 278	
Preacher	Nikki Arthy	
11.00am	Holy Communion	St Swithun's
Readings	Acts 17:22-31; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21	
Hymns	249, 114, 666, 12	
Preacher	Nikki Arthy	
12.30pm	Baptism	St Swithun's
3.00pm	Choral Evensong	Cathedral



Monday, 22nd

1.05pm Meditation for Everyone Cathedral Thomas Chapel

Tuesday, 23rd

8.45am Morning Prayer St Mary de Lode

2.30pm Sip and Study Lectio Divina Robert Raikes House

7.30pm General Election hustings Cathedral Chapter House
*An opportunity to put your questions to the candidates ,
chaired by Dean Stephen*

Wednesday, 24th

10.15am Holy Communion St Swithun's

Thursday, 25th Ascension Day

7.00am Sung Eucharist Cathedral

11.00am Discover DeCrypt HLF review 2 St Mary's Street

12.30pm Eucharist Cathedral

11.00am Holy Communion Redland Acre

Friday, 26th

9.15am Morning Prayer St Swithun's

1.00pm Sacred Space: *Thy Kingdom Come* St Mary de Crypt

Saturday, 27th

10.00am Coffee Morning St Mary de Lode

NEXT SUNDAY Seventh Sunday after Easter

9.15am Sung Eucharist St Mary de Lode

11.00am Holy Communion St Swithun's

3.00pm Choral Evensong Cathedral

The Archbishops have asked all parishes across England to join in a great wave of prayer between Ascension and Pentecost. Entitled, ***Thy Kingdom Come*** the aims are: to join in prayer with the whole family of God of the Father, to pray for the empowering of God the Holy Spirit that we may be effective witnesses to God the Son, Jesus Christ. There are two special services during this time both at St Mary de Crypt on Friday 26 May and Friday 2 June at 1pm. Prayer resources can be found on the *Thy Kingdom Come* website. As a suggestion, you may like to pray for five friends over this period using the following prayer:

Loving Lord, please work in me so I can share your love, life and message with.....Reveal your love to them that they might know, follow and witness to you, for your glory. Amen.

Our friends from **St John's, Northgate** have invited us to celebrate Pentecost with them over an ecumenical lunch, 12 noon—2.00pm at St John's Church on Sunday 4th June. Please sign up on the list in the churches if you would like to attend, or let Jess know via email, noting your preferred main course. There is no charge but donations would be gratefully received plus offers of salads or puddings.

Do come to St Mary de Crypt over the Tall Ships Festival when we will be launching our all-age community art project ***Dry Bones Live***. Using our template you are invited to make a 'WishBone' and personalise it with words, drawing, colour or collage telling us what your wishes and hopes are for the future, what heritage means to you and what you would like to see protected and preserved. All bones will be collected in artist Jake Lever's beautiful 'Ship of Bones', which will carry them forward into 2019 when they will become part of the ceremonies to celebrate the re-opening of the buildings. Opening times over Tall Ships weekend: Saturday 27 May 11am-3pm, Sunday 28 May 1-3pm, Monday 29 May 12noon -2pm.

News has reached us of the death of **Barbara Gilman** earlier this week. Barbara used to worship at St Mary de Lode. May she rest in peace.