

**Chesterfield Parish Church
Saint Mary & All Saints**

A **bide in Him**

All the teaching about love and abiding in Jesus leads us into the danger of reducing our relationship with God into a warm fuzzy feeling. So today he reminds us that those who abide in him will bear much fruit.

***Where is the fruit of our labours?
We will only see it if our abiding
in him is real, and not just a
warm fuzzy feeling!***



**Easter V
(2nd May 2021)**

08.30 Holy Communion (*BCP*)
09.30 Mass (St Leonard's)
10.30 Choral Mass
18.30 Choral Evensong

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 3rd May

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 4th May

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 5th May

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Holy Communion (*BCP*)
16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 6th May

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Friday 7th May

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 8th May

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

***Please note this is the last week of
revised Mass times for Tuesdays,
Wednesdays & Thursdays.***

***Mass on Wednesdays and Sundays is live-
streamed on Facebook, and also uploaded
to the Crooked Spire YouTube channel.***

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - CHORAL MASS

Collect Prayer

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

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 8.26-end

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip

baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John

Glory to you, O Lord

John 15.1-8

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

CHORAL EVENSONG

Psalm(s): 96
First Lesson: Isaiah 60.1-14
Second Lesson: Revelation 3.1-13

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 2nd May - Easter V

- St Paul, Hasland; St James, Temple Normanton
- ◇ Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & Middle East
- ✦ *Charles Stanley Branson, Priest*

Monday 3rd May

- St Thomas, Brampton
- ◇ Central Buganda - The Church of Uganda
- ✦ *Arthur Butt*

Tuesday 4th May - English Saints & Martyrs of the English Reformation

- Loundsley Green LEP
- ◇ West Buganda - The Church of Uganda
- ✦ *Esme Rhoda Crane*

Wednesday 5th May

- Children and young people in our Diocese
- ◇ Buhiga - The Anglican Church of Burundi
- ✦ *Rose Aura Brenel*

Thursday 6th May

- St Mark, Brampton
- ◇ Bujumbura - The Anglican Church of Burundi
- ✦ *Ronald Harding; Lucy Morgan; Mary Nickols*

Friday 7th May

- St Peter & St Paul, Old Brampton
- ◇ Bukavu - Anglican Church of the Congo
- ✦ *Arthur George Short*

Saturday 8th May - Julian of Norwich

- St Mary & All Saints, Chesterfield
- ◇ Bukedi - The Church of Uganda

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

John Robinson; Sheila Laverick; Joan Lidgate; Teddy; June Frankland; John Herring; Michael Catton; Patricia Mitchell; Sue Hastings; Jean Madin; Jane Jackson; David Staves; Laura; Robin Glasson; Kenneth Hughes; Jane Stretton; Paul Taylor; Margaret; Ray Hearn; Tom Pierce; Anthony & Katie; members of the Wolf-Kidd family; Valerie Alice Seeny; Daisy Wallis; Lodovico Mirani; Christopher Browne; Sandra Jones; Tony Ragan; Richard Harrison; Baby Thea

✦ *Marcus Beddoe, RIP*

✦ *Ralph Key, RIP*

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - 2021

Please note that the date of this year's APCM is now Tuesday 8th June. Full details to follow.

Weekday access to the Parish Church will remain severely limited during the ongoing works, until at least the end of April.

While both the Parish Church and St Leonard's are COVID-secure, please only attend in person if you are sure of your own safety in getting to and fro, as well as being in either building for a period of time.

If you need support in prayer or any other way please contact the team on 01246 206506 or contact@crookedspire.org

Next Sunday - 9th May - Easter VI -

Rogation Sunday

08.30 Holy Communion (BCP)

09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's, Spital)

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: Acts 10.44-end
John 15.9-17

18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: Psalm(s) 45
Song 4.16-5.2; 8.6-7
Revelation 3.14-end

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