

PARISH OF GREAT YARMOUTH

GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER, ST PAUL'S, ST MARY'S

Sunday 28th April 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Service Today:

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10.30am Sung Eucharist at The Minster

Reflection

It may surprise you but I am not perfect. Sometimes I like to think that I am and that my way is the only way of doing things. I am a reflective thinker and do not like it when faced with arguments from two sides demanding a decision one way or another. When we demand instant answers, or when we bury our head in the sand and deny all that is happening around us, then we deny God.

The gospel reading this week is asking us to reflect on our own actions. It wants us to look at how we respond to others and our impact on those relationships. If we are to be fruitful ourselves and if we are to encourage others to bear fruit then we have to constantly evaluate our actions. Do we need to change our ways? If we do, what are we going to do to change, to be more Christlike in all that we do?

We are called to be disciples of Christ to nurture others and bring them to faith, to do this we first need to look at ourselves, our behaviours and endeavour to work harder to be more fruitful. As any Gardner knows, if you don't prune out the old wood that is preventing new growth the plant will die. So too will the kingdom of God die if we are not prepared to change our behaviour and root out all that is damaging to him. Amen

Mother Ashley

This Week's Diary

Minster open daily 10am-12pm Morning Prayer is said daily in the Minster at 9am: All welcome

Anthem: Christ the Lord is ris'n again – Richard Shephard

Organ Voluntary: Allegro assai vivace (4th movement from Sonata I) – Felix Mendelssohn

Date			
Mon 29th	10.00	Craft Group	St. Mary's Minster
	18.00	Minster Maintenance	
Tues 30th	12.00	Lunchtime Eucharist	Minster
Wed 1st May	10.00	Midweek Eucharist	St. Paul's St. Mary's St. Paul's Revd Liz House
	12.30	Wednesday Club	
	14.30	Women's Fellowship – Mr Simeons – Slides of Cornwall	
	19.00	Bible Study Group	
Thurs 2nd	10.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	St. Mary's Minster Bell Tower
	16.45	Choristers	
	19.30	Bell Ringers Practice	
Friday 3rd	19.30	Hand Bell Ringers	Vestry
Saturday 4th	10.00	Vestry Hour	Minster Minster
	10.00	Inclusive Church Coffee Morning	
Sunday 5th		Sixth Sunday of Easter	St. Paul's Minster St. Mary's Minster
	9.30	Sung Eucharist	
	10.30	Sung Eucharist	
	11.00	Sung Eucharist	
	18.00	Evensong – followed by APCM	

NOTICES

APCM postponed due to accounts not being ready

APCM will follow evensong, 6pm on Sunday 5th May followed by refreshments.

Minster Maintenance on Monday 29th at 6pm

VE Day commemoration in St George's Park at 11am on Wednesday 8th May. This will include planting an olive tree to mark the 50th year since the Partition of Cyprus and we'll be joined by members of the Orthodox Church.

Ascension Day is Thursday 9th May and there will be a service at 6pm in the Minster.

80th Anniversary of D-Day is marked this year. A Lamp For Peace will be lit at a ceremony in the Minster at 12noon on **Monday 13th May** (coffee from 11.15). This light will be taken by the charity Walking With the Wounded and carried to the D-Day beaches of Normandy.

Leaving Gift for Mother Ashley: if you wish to contribute to Mother's leaving gift please pass your contributions to Fr Simon, Revd Liz or Mike Hewitt.

Great Yarmouth Mosque invite you to their Open Day on Saturday 18th May 12noon till 3pm, refreshments available. Masjid At-Tauweed & the Norfolk and Suffolk Islamic Mission. 39 Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1BH.

Parish Magazine: The May magazine is out now, if you have any articles for the magazine please contact Pat Stringer, email: patstringer1840@gmail.com

Place of Welcome

Warm Welcome
St. Paul's
Mon 2-4pm
Coffee & Chat
St. Mary's
Thurs
10.30am–12.30pm
Pathway
Mon / Wed / Fri
11.30am – 1pm

PARISH PRAYER LIST. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Margaret, Tracy, Bev, Shirley, Michael, Kevin, Sue, Mick. We remember before God the recently departed: Rose Jerome, Christine Wilby. Continue to pray for those of this parish who were recently confirmed: Gustas, Zaneta, Philip, Rosie, Raminta, Kamile, Erlandas, Esteja.