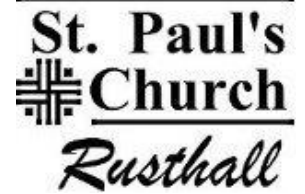


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**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2020**  
**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**Sunday after Ascension**

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*At this time of great difficulty we hold you all in our prayers and ask God to be with each one of us and all those who are unwell, worried or lonely.*

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**Collect for the Week**

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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**An online service, via our YouTube channel, will be posted on the website today.**

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup>** *The Venerable Bede, Monk at Jarrow, Scholar Historian, 735*  
**Bank Holiday**

**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup>** *Augustine, first Archbishop of Canterbury, 605*

**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup>**

**THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup>** *Lanfranc, Prior of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury,*  
*Scholar, 1089*

11.00 am Julian Meditation

**FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup>**

**SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup>** *Josephine Butler, Social Reformer, 1906*  
*Joan of Arc, Visionary, 1431*

**NEXT SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> May**

**PENTECOST – WHIT SUNDAY**

**Online service will be posted on the website**

## NEWS and NOTES

### From the Vicarage

Easter greetings to you all. I hope you are all feeling calm in these rather turbulent times. At the moment I am trying to make sense of the varying options about re-opening schools. I recently hatched some chicks and they have been a source of tranquil relaxation for me, especially when the news seems to be distressing and/or negative. I also find it interesting to see the chicks grow, not only in size but in confidence and personality. I do hope that you have something that helps you to 'unwind' and stay relaxed. I also pray that the God of all encouragement and peace would encourage our hearts and fill us with his peace.

### Christian Aid Week

As we have been unable to organise any collections this year, it is suggested that people could donate directly to the charity. Please go to their website - [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)

### Church of England Daily Hope

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship service at the end of a telephone line, 24 hours a day. Free call 0800 804 8044. It has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

### Food Banks

Please continue to support our local food banks with you contributions. You can place items in the box outside the Vicarage or give financial contributions directly yourself.

### Wednesday Meditation

There is a weekly meditation being sent to all the Parish family on email. It is an opportunity to light a candle at 11 am on a Wednesday and to have a time of quiet to think of each other and to focus on the meditation. Also if it possible to print it out for those who are not on line and pop it through their letter box that would be good, but only if it is safe to do this. If you would like to be included in this please email Pat Stevens on [patannstevens@hotmail.com](mailto:patannstevens@hotmail.com), phone 529187.

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