All Saints' North Hillingdon 25th May 2025 - White 6th Sunday of Easter



This sweet story in our Acts reading reminds us how God guides; Paul has a dream from the Lord, he follows it, circumstances lead him to Lydia who is then baptised. *How might God be speaking to you and those around you today?*

The Revelation reading continues the vision from heaven; a place of open doors, healing, flowing water and different type of fresh fruit every month and nothing bad or false. *How are you preparing for the next life?*

Two gospel passages today. The first is a reminder that Jesus does not leave us alone as orphans, but gives us his Holy Spirit as his presence with us, to teach us, comfort us, give us peace, take our anxiety? *If you are not at peace, what might be a good prayer to pray?*

In the second gospel passage, Jesus ask the man the question "Do you want to get well?" He blames others for his failure to be healed. **Do** we wallow in our situation, blaming others, or do we seek the living water for help?

NHWS: HYMNS AT 10 O'CLOCK

Gathering	91	Great is thy Faithfulness
Gradual	81	God is Love, His the care
Offertory	51	Faithful Shepherd, feed me
Comm'n	53	Father, I place into your hands
Sending	59	Fill your heart with joy and gladness

This week:

Wed - 10am Holy Communion - 10:30am Cake, Coffee and Chat in Hall

- NB no Wed service 4th June

Bible Study: Next one 27th May (7.30 pm Tues @vicarage)

Social Event Dates for 2025:

5 th July	-	Summer Fete: 12 to 3pm
20 th July	-	All Saints Dedication Lunch

QR code for giving to All Saints Church:



THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS: We lift up to the Lord those who have asked for our prayers; Mark Callaghan, Simon Matthews, David Rance, Hazel & Helen Parris, John Clarke, Mabel and Tony Poon-Jones, James Wills, Lyn Prior, Lynn Taylor, Tony Bond, Pat Szymański, Ann Tutton. May they know the Lord's healing grace and blessings. †

We remember the anniversaries this week of the deaths of: Sue Anderson, Gwendoline Slinger, Peter Bennett.

Confirmation? I have requested a date from the Bishop for confirmations, if you are interested, let me know.

Want to visit St Pauls Cathedral? Email me, I will request a letter from them for a free visit.

Archdeacon's Visitation: Tues 10th June 2025 7 pm St Martin, Ruislip.

Deanery Synod: 25th June 2025 7:30pm St Mary Harmondsworth "How to have the best PCC". **Monthly Deanery prayer:** 1st June St. Edmund's Yeading 5pm: choral evensong + pasties and cream tea. Other church Choirs welcome to join in

Ryefield school Visit: Mon 16th June, 9am & 11 am. Helping hands welcome.

Cursillo Weekend Retreat: Thursday 30th Oct -Sunday 2nd Nov at Wychroft House, nr Redhill, Surrey £140 (subsidised). *"Take time out of your everyday life to rediscover the depth and joy of the Christian faith"* <u>www.londoncursillo.org.uk</u> (Leaflets at back of church).

VISITS / HOME COMMUNION: If you know of anyone who needs a home or hospital visit, or wants prayer, let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 07909 127 929 <u>ulricgerry@icloud.com</u>

ALLERGIES: If anyone has a gluten allergy, we can source gluten free wafers. There are no nuts in communion wine or wafers.

If you don't get this bulletin by email, email me to get on the list!

Sunday 25 May 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

COLLECT

God our redeemer,

- you have delivered us from the power of darkness
- and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
- grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
- so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy;
- through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
- one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading.

Either Acts 16:9-15

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptised, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Or Ezekiel 37:1-14

PSALM Psalm 67

R Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, That your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations. R

O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for you will judge the peoples righteously

- and govern the nations upon earth. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
- and God, our own God, will bless us. God will bless us,

and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. R

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:10. 22 - 22:5 A reading from the book of Revelation.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun. for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Or Acts 16:9-15

GOSPEL

Either John 14:23-29

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Or John 5:1-9

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Bethzatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids - blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirtyeight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

POST COMMUNION

God our Father.

whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:

may we thirst for you,

the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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