

# THE WROXHAM BENEFICE

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*COVID guidelines are now lifted, but you are welcome to wear a mask while you are in the church. If you are happy not to wear a mask, please be aware of the space you give to others who may feel less comfortable.*

*During our service we will sometimes suggest you stand or sit at particular points. These are simply our traditions and are in no way an obligation. Please feel free to remain seated or stand as you prefer.*

## Services

May 29 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Hoveton St John	Holy Communion
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Hoveton St John	Informal Worship
	10am	Tunstead	Holy Communion
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Wroxham	Holy Communion
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Hoveton St John	Holy Communion
	10am	Hoveton St Peter	Morning Worship

## Hymns

103 Crown him with many crowns  
480 The head that once was crowned with thorns  
219 Our God Reigns  
242 Immortal, Invisible, God only wise

For Home Communion, Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, please contact the Rector Revd Elizabeth Jump 01603 784150 [rector@wroxhambenefice.org](mailto:rector@wroxhambenefice.org)

## For our Prayers

### All those who ask for our prayers

Helen Dellar, Claire Firrell, Queenie Whayman, Ros Durrant, Alyssa, Simon, Bonnie Davies, Bob Shaw, Christine Goodhew, Pauline Willis, Joan Willis, Lilian Pointer, Richard Wilson, Alan Chambers, Edward Minster, Archdeacon Ian Bentley, Sandra Adams, Margaret Whipp, Shaun Whitmore

### All who have died recently

John Carter, Daphne Gilbey, Alan Lovett

### All whose anniversaries occur at this time

Lewis Slater, Alma Powley, Roger Rought, Julia Simpson, Ivy Willis,

Prayer for the parishes is at **6pm on Tuesday, at St Mary, Wroxham.**

### A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen

### **COFFEE MORNING**

Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> 10.30 – 12.00 at

High Gables, Tunstead Rd

In aid of Hoveton St Peter Church

Raffle , Cakes , Books , Jigsaws and Plants

*Everyone Welcome!*

*Celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee –*

*‘Memories of the Fifties’  
Exhibition*

*Vintage collectables for sale*

*Tea and cakes*

*St Marys Church, Wroxham  
Friday June 3rd 10am-4pm*

**St Mary’s Wroxham  
welcomes you to**

***Celebrate the Queen’s  
Platinum Jubilee***

**With a traditional, delicious**

***Afternoon***

***Tea***

**Saturday 4th June 3.00pm in Wroxham Church Hall**

***Tickets £12 please book in advance.***

**01603 783399**

## Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will:

- *Deepen their own relationship with Jesus Christ*
- *Pray for 5 friends or family to come to faith in Jesus*
- *Pray for the empowerment of the Spirit that we would be effective in our witness*

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

We are praying that the Spirit will inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

*Prayer Stations are available in the churches between Ascension and Pentecost, please feel free to come and use them to help in your prayers for others, and your own time with God.*

*If you can't make any of these, why not take a piece of card and write the names of five people you would like to pray for and keep it in your Bible or somewhere else where it will remind you to pray for them.*

## COLLECT AND READINGS

### Collect

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ  
is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading Acts 16.16–34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a

severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

**Second Reading** Revelation 22.12–14, 16,17,20,21

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

‘It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.’

The Spirit and the bride say, ‘Come.’

And let everyone who hears say, ‘Come.’

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, ‘Surely I am coming soon.’

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

### **Gospel** John 17.20–26

‘I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

‘Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

## **Post Communion**

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.