



## PLEASE ATTEND THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30am on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May

The APCM elects PCC members and others, receives the annual accounts and reports, and invites your views. Please speak to Patrick or the wardens if you might like to be on the PCC, Deanery Synod or Group Council. The agenda, annual report and last year's draft minutes are available online at [christchurcheaton.org.uk/whats-on/](http://christchurcheaton.org.uk/whats-on/) (there are some hard copies at the back of church)

### EVENTS

*Events are at Christ Church unless otherwise stated*

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>**     *Foodbank Collection*

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>**     *Bank Holiday - Parishes Office closed*

2.00 pm     *Chat over a Cuppa. All welcome*

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>**

7.30 pm     Group Council meet at 28 Bluebell Road

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

11.00 am     Funeral of Elizabeth Bencze at St Faith's crematorium

12 noon     Deadline for the June Parishes Magazine. Please send contributions via email to [magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk](mailto:magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk) or leave in the Parishes' Office

2.30 pm     Meeting of Old Eatonians at St Andrew's Church Hall. *Colourful Ethiopia* - Philip and Pat Alker. *Ann Copsey (259257)*

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>**

12noon     Mothers' Union Festival service at Norwich Cathedral

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

2.00 pm     Talks@2. *Norwich Shawls* - Helen Kennett Followed by an opportunity for discussion over refreshments. *Bridget Archer and Julie Bolt*

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>**

11.30 am     Prayer Course: Intercession. Contact Geraldine Verschoor for more details ([verschog@aol.com](mailto:verschog@aol.com))

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup>**     *Patrick away for Diocesan Clergy Chairs' Conference Returns late Wednesday*

2.00 pm     Mission Focus meet to pray for our Mission Partners. All welcome

2.00 pm     *Chat over a Cuppa*

7.30 pm     *NO PCC meeting*

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

2.30 pm     Youth and children's committee meet at 7, Coach House Court

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>**

11.00 am     Office opens until 1pm

7.30 pm     Ascension Day Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup>**

6.30 pm     Choir rehearsal

## NEWS AND NOTICES

### Administrator Holiday

Ruth will be on holiday for 3 weeks from 11<sup>th</sup> May, returning on 1<sup>st</sup> June. If you need to email the office in that time, please email Kyla (finance@eatonchurches.org.uk)  
*Thank you.*

### Thy Kingdom Come 2026: 14<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May

A free Novena and prayer diary for Thy Kingdom Come 2026, a global ecumenical prayer movement which runs from Ascension Day to Pentecost, is available at the back of Church. A different Bible story will be explored over 11 days.

### Mission Partners

The latest link letter and email from Dick and Caroline Seed in South Africa is available at the back of church. Please take one to use in your prayers.

### Office Opening on 14<sup>th</sup> May

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May the office will be open from 11am-1pm.

### An Update from Robin

I will be taking a sabbatical from Christ Church from 1<sup>st</sup> May for three months. During that time I will have the opportunity to visit other churches in Norwich and reflect on the next stage of my spiritual journey. *Robin Quine*

### Attendance Figures

19<sup>th</sup> April:

8am: 15  
10am: 69 adults, 6 U16s  
6pm: 13

26<sup>th</sup> April:

8am: 18  
10am: 69 adults, 6 U16s  
6pm: 15

## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MAY

### The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8 am BCP Holy Communion (Collect and readings p.142)  
10 am Family Communion  
(Genesis 8:20-9:17; Acts 17:22-31; John 14:15-21)  
6 pm BCP Evensong  
(Zechariah 8:1-13; Revelation 21:22 - 22:5)

**Vicar:** Patrick Richmond

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## PRAYER SUGGESTIONS

*Join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9am, Mondays-Fridays*

### **Collect**

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

### **Church and Local Concerns**

We pray for Ore as he is christened. We ask for God's blessing on him, his family and friends. We pray for those standing in the local elections this week. We pray for Ruth and Kyla in the office. We pray for Robin Quine and his sabbatical, and for us all to grow in discipleship, service, invitation and welcome on our spiritual journey. We pray for all in our parishes, particularly those living in Eaton Road, Fairfield Road, Fairmile Close and Grange Road.

### **The World**

God of all creation, help us to see each other through Your eyes so we can appreciate the beauty of diversity and difference. Help us to walk in Your strength so we can challenge inequality and fight injustice. Help us to feel with Your love so we can hold each other with

compassion and kindness. Help us to experience Your peace so we can comfort those who are broken and suffering. Lord, help us to be more like You. Amen.

*Jennifer Laurent-Smart, Equality & Diversity Manager, The Salvation Army*

### **The Sick and Suffering**

We pray for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, including Amelia, Angela, Bobs, Sheila Bootman, Caroline, Phil Cooke, Anna Dunlop, Margaret Fraser, Penny Furze, John Harrison, Trish Hill, Chris Hobbs, Paul James, Jessica, Joanna, Muriel Jones, John Ladd, Nigel, Paul, Dick and Val Rout, Jonathan Spelman, Joan Wheatley, Roger, Rory, and Ros Wright.

### **The Departed**

We remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us. We pray particularly for the families and friends of Ian Alexander-Sinclair, Elizabeth Bencze and Marie Prendergast. Help us comfort those who mourn.

**Notices for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May**  
should be with Catherine Richmond (250844,  
notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) by 10am on  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May. *Thank you*

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