

SERVICES for MAY

	1 st Easter 6	8 th Easter 7	15 th PENTECOST	22 nd Trinity
Cold Higham St Luke	11:00am CW Communion Said	9.30am Family Worship 1.00pm Baptism	9.30am CW Holy Communion	NO SERVICE
Gayton St Mary	9.30am CW Holy Communion	NO SERVICE	11.00am CW Holy Communion	NO SERVICE
Pattishall Holy Cross	8.00am BCP Communion 9.30am Family Half Hour 2..0pm Holy Baptism	11.00am CW Holy Communion	8.00am BCP Communion	9.30am CW Holy Communion
Tiffield St John	NO SERVICE	9.30am CW Holy communion	9.30am Morning Prayer	NO SERVICE

Thursday 5th Ascension Day 7.30 Communion Cold Higham

Sunday 29th 9.30 BENEFICE Communion Pattishall

2.30 Baptism Pattishall

Sunday 5th June As 1st May – except Baptism

Weekday Holy Communion

Most Wednesdays at 8.00am, alternating BCP/ CW Pattishall

Check with Revd. Marion

AMELCOTE BENEFICE



MAY 2016

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From the Rector

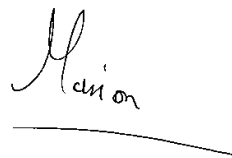
How often do you say the Lord's Prayer? Whether it's several times a day or very infrequently, it is the one prayer that unites Christians worldwide today as it has for the last 2000 years. I think most of us could recite the Lord's Prayer from memory if asked to and we do still teach it to the children in our church schools (in its traditional form). But, how much do we really take on board what we are praying as we recite each petition of the Lord's Prayer?

It's a failing we all have, not taking the Lord's Prayer literally, believe in what we are praying and commit to acting out what we are professing.

With this in mind, the Archbishops (Justin and John) have called all Christians to pray the Lord's Prayer over the Pentecost season (Ascension to Pentecost, 5th to 15th May). Amelcote Benefice has embraced this call and we are holding a Prayer Morning on 12th May (see separate flyer) which I would encourage as many of you as can possibly attend to join. Coffee from 10am with an hour of prayer (at your own pace) starting at 10:30am.

Paul and I have just been to a concert given by the modern Christian musician, Stuart Townend. It was an awe-inspiring evening. Stuart's philosophy is that music is in integral way to worship and pray so his songs are worship, liturgy, prayer but also story and history (ie telling the gospel story) and testimony. In this regard, have you ever thought how many versions of the Lord's Prayer set to music there are? Sometimes, it is appropriate that we sing/pray rather than say/pray.

We are so very blessed aren't we? Yet we do so take our blessings for granted. How quick we can be to blame God if things don't go the way we want or expect them to go but how slow we are to thank him for all he has, is giving and will give us. Let us then use this opportunity to rethink our praying of this so familiar prayer and just see how it will enrich our lives.



Readings – May 2016

1st May (Easter 6)	Acts 16: 9 - 15 (must be used) Rev 21: 10, 22 – 22:5	Ps 67 John 14: 23 - 29
8th May (Easter 7)	Acts 16: 16 – 34 Rev 22: 12 – 14, 16 – 17, 20 –end	Ps 97 John 17: 20 - end
15th May (Pentecost)	Acts 2: 1 - 21 (must be used) Rom 8: 14 – 17	Ps 104: 26 – 36; 37b John 14: 8 -17
22nd May (Trinity)	Prov 8: 1 – 4, 22 -31 Rom 5: 1 – 5	Ps 8 John 16: 12 - 15
29th May (1st after Trinity)	1Kings 8: 22 – 23, 41 – 43 Gal 1: 1 – 12	Ps 96: 1 - 9 Luke 7: 1 – 10
5th June (2nd after Trinity)	1Kings 17: 17 – end Gal 1: 11 – end	Ps 30 Luke 7: 11 - 17

From the registers:

Holy Baptism

3rd April Holy Cross Edward Harry Jackson

June 18th-19th

Details to follow

Special Services

5th May 7:30pm St Luke's, Cold Higham

Holy Communion for Ascension Day

(15th May is Pentecost!)

Thursday, 12th May, 10am Holy Cross Church

"Thy Kingdom Come" an hour of prayer

(see separate flyer)

Other Events

Wednesday, 11th May 2015, 11am – 3pm

Monthly free antiques valuation day by Hanson's at Cold Higham Village Hall. Refreshments available (proceeds towards church funds)

Saturday, 28th May Prayer Breakfast 8:30 – 9:30am at The Rectory

Come along for breakfast, chat and time of prayer for our benefice and all who are in need.



Pattishall Open Gardens Weekend



Jazz In The Church

Friday, May 20th 7.30pm

St Mary's Gayton

**Tickets from David or Carol Coppock
Anna Fox or John Shaw**

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