

Fifth Sunday of Easter

TODAY'S SERVICES

10 AM: Streamed Sung Eucharist (Fr Colin) – see details below

- **Hymns** Christ is our Cornerstone For all thy Saints O Lord
- Motet Panis Angelicus

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father except through me. **Alleluia**, **Alleluia**.

Birthdays this week: Angela Burtenshaw; Lynn Winter; Richard Spurgeon; Barbie Lloyd.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY Wednesday 13th May

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10 AM: Streamed Said Eucharist on our website / YouTube

Readings Next Week

Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

From Fr Colin

Last week the House of Bishops' issued a statement regarding the continued closure of churches, the main points I would like to share with you.

- Places of worship were closed by the Government as part of its response to the Coronavirus Pandemic. Churches must therefore remain closed for the time being until the law allows otherwise.
- The Bishops' have agreed that, with the consent of the Diocesan Bishop, a parish priest should be allowed access to the parish church to pray alone. The Bishop of Portsmouth has allowed this to happen in this diocese, and I will be

doing so regularly. It is imperative that it is understood that at this time, and until there is a change in the law, no-one else should be present.

- The Bishops' have also agreed that, with the consent of the Diocesan Bishop, services can be livestreamed from the parish church by the parish priest, alone (or with members of their immediate household) but with no others present. Again, the Bishop of Portsmouth is supportive of this happening in this Diocese.
- It is not permitted, by law for any technical or production assistants to be present in the building when the parish priest is conducting a live streamed service. It must be the priest alone.

It is my decision, with the support of the Church Wardens, to begin live streaming our services from this Wednesday when we will have our usual weekday service. This will give us a few days to iron out the technical challenges that this might involve. I am sure that many of you will welcome this. It is a small step back towards normality.

Things are, of course, moving very quickly as we move towards a gradual easing of the lockdown. The Bishops' will be meeting regularly (in a virtual sense) and will respond accordingly with any changes in the legal situation enacted by Parliament.

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Also, from Fr Colin

I would like to express my gratitude for the many messages, cards and assurances of prayer that I have received for myself and my family following our recent bereavement. This has been very greatly appreciated. Please do continue to pray for us, not least on Friday 15th May when I will conduct Martyn's funeral service at Chichester Crematorium.

Remembering Those Who Need Our Prayers This Week

Shelley Lazlett, Geoff, Anna Chapman, Christopher, Richard Rundle, Hillary, Madison, Amy, Carmell, Christine, Ray Kent, Sandra Hewett, Spencer, Margaret Cavey, John Haughton, Anne Brown, Pete, Fr Beau Brandie, Jenny Pilling, Fr Charles, June Webster, Annie Sharp, Howe Sae Kang.

We Remember Martyn Lawlor, who has died recently and Kevin Oberholster, whose anniversary falls at this time.

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