



8 June 2025

The Feast of Pentecost

Welcome to our services today

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's & Breakfast Church in the Bede House
10.30am Parish at St Mary's

Music: Organist St. John's: Hilary Goodman, **Hymns: 258, 358, 245.**

Organist St. Mary's: Alan Cafaude, **Hymns: 137, 408, 322, 271.**

Flowers at St Mary's: Those at Our Lady have been donated by Margaret Britchford, Linda Vickers and Karen Holmes remembering their mothers Lilian and Noreen on their birthdays

The Benefice Online Service; 'Meeting Point' is for you if you missed our services in church, or for further reflection during the week.

<https://www.stmaryhighamferrers.org/online-worship>

Mon 9 6pm Evening Prayer at St John's
Tues 10 7.30pm Bell Ringing practice at St Mary's
Wed 11 10am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel, St Mary's
Thurs 12 10am Midweek Eucharist at St Mary's with Coffee & chat to 12noon
7pm Celtic Evening Service in the Chantry Chapel.
Sat 14 7pm *Rotary Club with The Northampton Male Voice Choir Concert in St Mary's (Bede House from 2pm)*

Sunday 15 June 2025 Trinity Sunday

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's
10.30am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's with *KickStart*
12noon *Tea & cakes in the Bede House as part of Higham Ferrer's Secret Gardens event and it is Father's Day! 12noon to 5pm*

Collect

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, ‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.’ All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’ But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

“In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

John 14:8-17

Philip said to him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

Post Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Children are welcome at all our Services in both churches, we have children’s areas with colouring and toys and are looking at ways to better include them in all we do. We understand that some of our services can seem long to little ones, and it is absolutely fine if they need to wriggle or play or move around.

For your Prayers.

Our prayers have been asked for: Karen Addis, Brian Bond, Linda Bond, Ian Challen, Mary Coleman, Marian Cox, Graham Cragg, Peter Etheridge, Freda Fernyhough, Christine Franklin, Gill Headland, Sandra Hill, Kathy Jackson, Margaret Janowski, Sarah Knight, Marion Knott, Sally Mayes, Freda Pack, Daphne Pullen, Val Robinson, Elizabeth Swindley, Sue Thompson, Stewart Wiles, Clare Yorke. **St John’s:** Jo Barrie, Pauline Brown, Lesley Littlejohn, Brenda May, Lynn Redgate, Arthur & Anita Wright.

In memoriam:

Year’s mind anniversaries: Percy Smith, Allen Goulsbra, John Browning, Arthur Wright, Frank Felce, Helen Driver, Linda Smith, Dorothy Blackwell, Michael Warde, Irene Britchford, Ellen Bonfield, Daphne Robinson, Betty Chamberlain, Elizabeth Wright, Alfred York, Olive Lawrence, Richard Wright, Heather Price, Alfred Bradshaw, Fred Skinner, George Clifton, Joyce Connolly.

NOTICES

ST. MARY'S

15 June, Teas in the Bede House, cakes & help needed please.

31 May Farmers Market, the Vicar's Version – I am pleased to announce that this has raised nearly £1,000. A huge thank you goes to all who helped, donated and came along for Coffee and Cake. A lovely day with plenty of sunshine, and so many events in Higham Ferrers.



Why do you love St Mary's? Fill in a heart and add to the board and let us know!

ST JOHN'S

Knit and Natter, 1-3pm, 24 June, 22 July, 26 August

Tea and Cakes, 2-4pm 17 June, 15 July, 19 August

22 June 2025, 9am St John's Patronal Festival – All are welcome to join our celebrations this day.

12 July 2025, from 1pm, Chelveston Village Fair – details to follow.

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The benefice office is usually open Tuesdays and Fridays, 9.30am to 2.30pm.

Please send enquiries by email if possible, and a reply will be sent as soon as our administrator Ria is next in the office.

Mthr Louise is off duty Fri 13 June.