



31 May 2026

Trinity Sunday

Welcome to our services today

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's
10.30am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's

Music: Organist St. John's: Hilary Goodman **Hymns: 276, 702, 477.**

Organist St. Mary's: Rosemary Nayyar **Hymns: 334, 146, 358, 420.**

Anthem: Holy, holy, holy.

Flowers: at the Nave donated by Sylvia Eady in memory of Wally a dear husband and father whose anniversary occurs at this time.

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/sunserv1>

Mon 1 6pm Evening Prayer at St John's
Tues 2 7.30pm Bell Ringing practice at St Mary's
Wed 3 10am Morning prayer in the Lady Chapel, St Mary's
Thur 4 10am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's with Coffee and Chat to 12noon
7.30pm Holy Eucharist for Corpus Christi (said)
Fri 5 5.30 – 7pm First Friday Club in the Bede House
7pm Choir Practice at St Mary's
Sat 6 7pm *Northampton Male Voice Choir concert in St Mary's*

Sun 6 June First Sunday after Trinity

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's
10.30am All Age Eucharist at St Mary's

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.

Collect

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may

truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

2 Corinthians 13:11-end

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28:16-end

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Post Communion

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

For your Prayers.

Our prayers have been asked for: Linda Bond, Robert Britchford, Jane Carpenter, Mary Coleman, Marian Cox, Pat Ellis, Peter Etheridge, Christine Franklin, Gill Headland, Sandra Hill, Kathy Jackson, Marion Knott, Sarah Martin, Sally Mayes, Val Robinson, Elizabeth Swindley, Niven Whatley, Stewart Wiles, Clare Yorke. **St John's:** Jo Barrie, Pauline Brown, Hilary Goodman, Lesley Littlejohn, Brenda May, Lynn Redgate, Alison Smith, David Webber.

In memoriam:

Year's mind anniversaries: Madge Massom, Horace Knight, Rebecca Eaton, Eric Walker, Henry Mitchell, Ellen Popwell, Jemima Woods, Ida Jones, Norman Whiteman, Amy Driver, Elizabeth Ball, John Burdett, Eleanor Bull, Ruth Williams, Ronald McGeorge, Penelope Stewart, Alfred Turner, Basil Owen (Pr),

John Thorpe, Stanley Knight, Selina Allen, William Hendry, Bernard Mayes, Edna Fletcher.

NOTICES

28 June 2026 is a special day for our Benefice when Brenda will become our Curate, after her Ordination at the Cathedral at 11am (the service will be livestreamed). We gather together at St Mary's at 6pm for a Welcome Eucharist alongside Brenda's family and friends. All of our church family are welcome to a family friendly service, and afterwards in the Bede house for fizz and cake!

To help us plan and have enough orders of service, fizz and cake it would be helpful if you could put your name on the list in each church. If you know someone who might like to come along do tell them. Thank you.

ST MARY'S

Sunday 14 June is Secret Gardens in Higham Ferrers, and we will again be providing tea and cakes as a refreshment point on the tour of gardens. This year the teas will be inside the church, from 1 to 4pm. Cakes and helpers are appreciated, details are on the back table.

Advance notice that our June 28 Lego church is being moved to **5 July** and will be last one before the summer break. We may make it a bit of a party to celebrate our new Curate, what do you think?

We celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Mothers Union on **9 August**, and our Sunday Eucharist will reflect this anniversary.

16 August, our Patronal Festival for St Mary's, and if weather allows will be followed by a picnic in the Vicarage garden.

Music At Mary's Some dates for your diaries:

Saturday 6 June 7pm, Rushden Rotary Club with Northampton Male Voice Choir

Friday 12 June, Lumos Experiences, 3 Candlelight concerts of Fleetwood Mac music, bar available. Tickets from the Lumos website online.

ST JOHN'S

Tea & Cakes 16 June, 21 July, 18 August, 15 September, 20 October

Knit & Natter 23 June, 28 July, 25 August, 22 September, 27 October

21 June, Patronal Festival, all welcome to join us as we celebrate our special day.

A fun concert of Brass Band music, with Raunds Temperance Brass. Tickets £12.50, please see posters for details.

20 September - Harvest Service and Supper, details to follow

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Mthr Louise is off duty Sat 6 June

