



**St Mary the Virgin
Rickmansworth**
Serving the whole community



Welcome to St Mary's!

Sunday 4th May 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

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Please be advised that some of our services are live streamed. If you would not like to appear on camera, please sit in the south section of pews, or speak to one of our Sidespeople for assistance. Thank you.

8.00am: Said Holy Communion (BCP)

President and Preacher: Reverend Scott Talbott

Collect: Almighty Father, who in thy great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve thee continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings: Acts 9: 1-6; Revelation 5: 11-end; John 21: 1-19

10.00am: Sung Eucharist

Hymns: 62; 60; 283; 355; 235

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Readings: as 8:00am

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore. **Alleluia.**

Post Communion Prayer: Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

8.00pm: United with Ukraine: Candles for Peace. Join with others across Rickmansworth as we light candles in our windows for peace.

Safeguarding: Being alert to matters of Safeguarding (ensuring the care and welfare of children and vulnerable adults) is something to which all are invited to attend. There are information cards at the back of church which you are welcome to pick up which give useful information - including warning signs to look out for, contact numbers and websites for information and support.

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St Mary's lies within the *Deanery of Rickmansworth* and *Diocese of St Albans*.



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

In our prayers this week

Our School, St Mary's: For the Governing Body and Friends of St Mary's School

In the Deanery: The Holy Cross, Sarratt and St Paul's, Chipperfield

Ecumenical friends: Our Lady Help of Christians Roman Catholic Church

In Rickmansworth: Nightingale Place, Nightingale Road, Norfolk Road

At St Mary's: For the Fabric and Churchyard Team

Amongst those unwell: Mary Wallis, Jaleh Yeaman, Ron Powell, John Poppleton, Anne Rhodes.

Services and Activities for next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter (11/05):

8.00am Said Holy Communion (BCP); 10.00am Sung Eucharist.

Readings for Tuesday Said Holy Communion (06/05): Acts 7: 51 - 8: 1a; Psalm 31: 1-5, 16; John 6: 30-35

Readings for next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter (11/05): Acts 9: 36-end; Revelation 7: 9-end; John 10: 22-30

Hymns for next Sunday (11/05):

This week's diary

Sat 3 rd	7:15pm	Church Quiz Night
Weds 7 th	7:45pm	Bellringing practice – new ringers welcome!
Thurs 8 th	6:30pm	Bellringing for 80 th Anniversary of VE Day
Thurs 8 th	8:15pm	VE Day Anniversary celebrations

Notices

Christian Aid Week: If you are able to deliver/ receive donation envelopes, please sign up via the sheet at the back of church (please note there is no calling to collect envelopes). Thank you.

Save the date and save your books: There will be an extended Parish Pantry and mini fete on 17th May with a few stalls and activities, and a paperback book stall. We will have a sign-up sheet for contributing cakes nearer the time, but in the meantime, please start saving your books.

St Mary's Open Day - Saturday 17 May 2025: As part of our Open Day, there will be a plant stall in the churchyard and all donations of plants (flowering, vegetable or anything else!) would be welcome. Plants can either be dropped off at 16 The Cloisters or at 19 Highfield Way during the week before. If you would like your plant donations to be collected, please contact Tim Tims on 07980 550181 and we will arrange collection. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of church for those who would like to help with the stall on the day itself. Thank you.

Stewards: If you are available to help at the beacon lighting event for VE Day celebrations on 8th May 8:15-9:30pm, please contact the Church office. Thank you.

Open Day, Saturday 17 May, Help Requested: We are expecting a number of visitors to St Mary's whom we hope will enjoy the Open Day events including: The opening of the tower, Stitches in Time exhibition, plant stall, parish pantry and book sale. It would be helpful to have a stewarding presence at the back of church to meet and greet visitors and direct them to the various activities. The gardeners would also appreciate help with selling plants from the plant stall. If you can help, please sign up on the appropriate sheet at the back of the church. It should be a fun day to be enjoyed by all. Any questions, please contact Tim Tims 07980550181.

Fundraising for St Mary's: On Friday 27th June at 10am David Gilbert, Kevin and Penny Jones, Troy Davies, Sue Thomas and David Conway will take part in a sponsored run in the Aquadrome to raise funds for our Church. We will set up an online link to take sponsorship shortly.

Please will you support St Mary's?

There are many ways in which you can support St Mary's Church, both practically and financially. We are truly grateful for any contribution you make to the life of your church. Practical support includes gardening, maintenance and flower arranging, as well as responding to ad-hoc requests for help. Financial support can be given through donations in the collection plate, via the credit card machine at the back of the church or online via our website (or use this QR code). If you would like to make a regular donation, please pick up a Parish Giving Scheme pack or speak to the Parish Giving Advisor (David Gilbert).

