

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025      The Seventh Sunday of Easter

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **A reading from Acts (16.16-34)**

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.'

The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.

But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

### **Psalms 97**

1 The Lord is king: let the / earth re/joyce: let the multitude / of the / isles be / glad.

**2 Clouds and darkness are / round a/bout him: righteousness and justice are the foun/dation / of his / throne.**

3 Fire / goes be/fore him: and burns up his / enemies on / every / side.

**4 His lightnings / lit up the / world: the / earth / saw it and / trembled.**

5 The mountains melted like wax \* at the / presence • of the / Lord: at the presence of the / Lord of the / whole / earth.

**6 The heavens de/clared his / righteousness: and all the / peoples have / seen his / glory.**

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images \* and delight in / mere / idols: bow down be/fore him / all you / gods.

**8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of / Judah re/joyced: be/cause of your / judgements, O / Lord.**

9 For you, Lord, are most high over / all the / earth: you are exalted / far a/bove all / gods.

**10 The Lord loves those / who hate / evil: he preserves the lives of his faithful \* and delivers them / from the / hand of the / wicked.**

11 Light has sprung / up • for the / righteous: and / joy • for the / true of / heart.

**12 Rejoice in the / Lord, you / righteous: and give / thanks • to his / holy / name.**

### **A reading from Revelation (22.12-14, 16, 17, 20, 21)**

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St John 17.20-26

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP TODAY.**

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**HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 81 , 191 , 226 , 30**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist (All Saints)</b>
	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist ( All Saints ) - followed by tea / coffee</b>
	<b>11.30 am</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist ( Norton )</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10.30 am	Chat a Coffi - all welcome
	2.00 pm	Norton Craft Group - all welcome
	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Ministry area Confirmation Service : Celebrant : Bishop John</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>
		followed by refreshments
	2.00pm	Bible study/prayer group (church rooms)
	6.00 pm	Joyful Noise ( junior Choir ) - all children very welcome
	7.00 pm	Adult choir practice - all welcome - come and join us.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.30 am	Coffee & Catch up (Norton)
	1.30 pm	Church and Grounds working group - all help very welcome
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>		<b>8th June - Pentecost</b>
	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist (All Saints)</b>
	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist ( All Saints ) - followed by tea / coffee and church committee meeting.</b>

**Weekly Bulletin : Do take this sheet home with you**

**Pastoral Visiting : please let me know of those  
in need of visiting at home or in hospital.**

**Welcome :** to all who join us for the baptism that will take place during our 10 a.m. service today.

**Ordination :** Str. Sonia will be priested in Brecon Cathedral on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June. The ministry area is hoping to run bus ( £10 per head ) please sign the list **TODAY** ( final chance ) if you would like to travel on the bus .

**Ministry Area Confirmation service :** This Tuesday at 7 p.m. We pray for all from our Ministry Area who are being confirmed. Please join the service if you are able to.

**Memorial Service :** for Dinah Cottle will take place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 11 a.m. in All Saints and all will be welcome to attend ( *Dinah's funeral will be a private service for her family* ).

**Tenby Trip :** 18<sup>th</sup> June : for those who are joining us can you please confirm your phone number with Sue Wilkinson so we have details. The bus will leave All Saints at 9 a.m. ( prompt ! ) and we will leave Tenby at 5 to return.

**Church committee meeting :** next Sunday (8th June) following the 10 a.m. service. All are welcome to join this meeting as we bring you up to date , and discuss , what has been taking place and what plans we have in the coming months.

**Christian Aid :** a huge thank you to all who supported the collection and breakfasts. £900 was raised for the work of Christian Aid.

**Men's Society :** Monday 16th June at 5 pm. A trip on the CopperJack up the River Tawe. To book please speak to Dorian as soon as you can. Max. 30 places. There are also choices about food either onboard or after the river trip. Please let Dorian know if you want food included.

**Gwalia Singers :** annual concert in All Saints in Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7 p.m. Tickets are available from Gwalia Choir members or see their poster for details.

**Gower Chorale :** concert : Haydn's 'The Creation' Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 7 p.m. in All Saints. See poster for details and how to purchase tickets.

**Open Church :** thank you to all who are helping to keep the church open and welcome visitors during the week. If you can help with the rota there is a list at the back of church.

**Church Choir :** Have you thought about joining the choir ? We would love to see new members and keep this important tradition going in our church. Do come along on a Wednesday evening to practice.