

Sunday 25th May 2025 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Acts (16.9-15)

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 67

1 God be gracious to / us and / bless us: and make his / face to / shine up/on us,

2 That your way may be / known upon / earth: your saving / power a/mong all / nations.

3 Let the peoples / praise you, O / God: let / all the / peoples / praise you.

4 O let the nations re/joyce and be / glad: for you will judge the peoples righteously * and govern the / nations / upon / earth.

5 Let the peoples / praise you, O / God: let / all the / peoples / praise you.

6 Then shall the earth bring / forth her / increase: and God, our / own / God, will / bless us.

7 God / will / bless us: and all the / ends of the / earth shall / fear him.

A reading from Revelation (21.10, 22 – 22.5)

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day – and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

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Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St John (14.23-29)
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'

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

Bountiful God, your Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH , OYSTERMOUTH AND NORTON CHURCH
WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP TODAY.**

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HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 380 , 170 , 500 , 99

TODAY	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (All Saints) - followed by tea / coffee and a brief church meeting to approve the accounts.
MONDAY		BANK HOLIDAY
TUESDAY	10.30 am	Coffi a chat group in All Saints. Croeso i bawb
WEDNESDAY	10.30 am	Holy Eucharist followed by refreshments
	1.30 pm	Funeral (church) of Richard Thomas
	2.00pm	Bible study/prayer group (church rooms)
	6.00 pm	Confirmation Candidate class / meeting
	7.00 pm	Adult choir practice - all welcome
THURSDAY		Ascension Day
	9.45 am	Holy Eucharist (in Norton)
	10.30 am	Coffee & Catch up (Norton)
	1.30 pm	Church and Grounds working group - all help very welcome
	7.00 pm	Ministry Area Ascension Day service in Clyne Chapel led by Bishop John
FRIDAY	4.00 pm	Bristol University Orchestra Concert - FREE Donations for MIND - Please try to come along and do let family and friends know.
NEXT SUNDAY		1st June 2025 - Easter 7
	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist with baptism (All Saints) - followed by tea / coffee
	11.30 am	Holy Eucharist (Norton)



**Weekly Bulletin : Do take this sheet home with you.
Copies are also available of the Church website.**

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

RIP : we extend our love and prayers to Tony Cottle and family following the passing away of Dinah and also to the family of Dame June Clark who passed away last week. *May the souls of the departed through the love and mercy of God rest in peace.*

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

Ministry Area Confirmation service : Tuesday 3rd June at 7 p.m. in All Saints. We pray for all from our Ministry Area who are being confirmed.

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 or have a word with our organists or any members of our church choir.

Men's Society : the next meeting will be on Monday 16th June at 5 pm. It will be a trip on the CopperJack boat up the River Tawe. If you would like to come along 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.

Tenby Trip : 18th 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.

Radio Wales 'All things Considered' : recorded April Beynon and others in an interview about the history and work of the Mumbles Christian Aid group. It is on Radio wales today (25th) and available online for the next 28 days.

Gwalia Singers : annual concert in All Saints in Saturday 14th 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 21st 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.