

# Astwick Vale Pews News 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**SERVICES FOR 19th May**  
**Pentecost – Whit Sunday**  
**10.30am Evenley, Benefice**  
**Holy Communion**  
**6pm STEANE, Evensong**  
**Colour Red**

## **Readings**

**Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**Romans 8:22-27**

**or Acts 2:1-21**

**John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15**

**Psalms 104:26-36, 37b**

## **Collect**

*God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

**Amen**

## **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**

**SERVICES FOR 26th May**

**Trinity Sunday**

**9.00am Farthinghoe, Holy Communion**

**11.00am Aynho, Holy Communion**

**11.00am Croughton, Morning Worship**

**11.00am Hinton, Morning Worship**

**We pray for all who live or work within the parishes of our Benefice, and for those known to us who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, at home or in hospital and who need God's loving touch at this time. --**

**Among them are; -**

**- Paula, Pip & Katie, Douglas, Jackie, Suzanne, Norman,**

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The Churches of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley, Farthinghoe, Hinton and Steane  
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*Derek, Bruce from Mixbury, Tony.*

- *For all those struggling with health issues, especially those in hospital & those awaiting treatment.*
- *Young Holly who continues to make good progress with treatment, while attending her school. We continue to hold her in our prayers.*
- *For the church and people of Culworth.*
- *Wendy & Jeremy*
- *For George Fox & Sophie Heath as they come before God to make their marriage VOWS.*
  
- ***For HM King Charles III as he is able to return to public duties.***
- ***For HRH The Princess of Wales as she continues preventative treatment for the cancer diagnosis. Also, for William, Prince of Wales and the children,***
- *For all those affected by situations worldwide & especially the conflict in the Middle East. We pray that a peace will be found. Such a sad world at this time – so many need our prayers.*

***Our churches are always open for private prayer; all are welcome. - (Croughton -by appointment only)***



**A Prayer for World Peace**  
**Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust.**  
**Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace.**  
**Let peace fill our heart, our world, our universe.**

**Dates for May 2024**  
**19th Whit Sunday – Pentecost**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Second of our summer services at Steane**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Culworth, 6pm. An all-age service of prayer & worship to mark the end of My Kingdom Come season. With Debbie, Bishop of Peterborough & The Venerable Alison Booker, Archdeacon of Oakham.**  
**27th Bank Holiday UK**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Oak Apple Day**

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**Banns of Marriage for  
the third & final time on  
19<sup>th</sup> May,  
to be published at  
Evenley for:-  
George Stanley Reuben  
Fox & Sophie Krysia  
Heath**



**Dates for Church fetes  
Croughton 8th June  
Aynho 9th June  
Farthinghoe 30th June**

**Dates for June  
6<sup>th</sup> The D-Day operation of  
June 6, 1944, brought  
together the land, air, and sea  
forces of the allied armies in  
what became known as the  
largest amphibious invasion in  
military history. The  
operation, given the  
codename **OVERLORD**,  
delivered five naval assault  
divisions to the beaches of  
Normandy, France.**

**9<sup>th</sup> Open Farm Sunday- see  
below  
11<sup>th</sup> - Evenley 12.00-1.15pm,  
Village Soup Lunch. Usual menu-  
everyone welcome.  
14<sup>th</sup> - Farthinghoe 10.00am –  
11.00 coffee, cake & chat in the  
vestry – all welcome  
16th Fathers' Day  
16th Third of our summer  
services at Steane  
20th Summer Solstice, Summer  
begins  
22nd Evenley- Wedding of  
George Fox & Sophie Heath**

**24th June (Monday) is  
Midsummer's Day – Did you  
know that the only day you  
should trim your box balls is the  
day before Midsummer.**



**Open Farm Sunday, 9th June is  
farming's annual open day  
giving visitors the opportunity to**

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**learn more about farming and  
the countryside, and farmers  
the chance to talk about what  
they're so proud of: British  
food and farming!  
Look out for an event at your  
local farm.**



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Hinton-in-the-Hedges:  
Sam Mains 07860 465000*

**And Finally  
Oak Apple Day is  
celebrated on 29<sup>th</sup> May.**

*Nine years after Charles II  
hid from Parliamentary troops in  
an oak tree following the loss of  
his Royalist cause at the Battle of  
Worcester, he returned to the  
throne on his thirtieth birthday,  
29 May 1660 – which became the  
annual celebration of Oak Apple  
Day.*

