



Welcome to the Abbey Church of St Mary & St Ethelflaeda and St Swithun's, Crampmoor



Sunday 08 May 2022
Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Let us worship God our Father, who is one with our Lord Jesus Christ,
as we hear Jesus challenged to give a definitive answer to the request
"If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly".*

This response is not what his questioners expect or want to hear.

9.30am	Sung Eucharist (Streamed)
Celebrant	Revd Thomas Wharton
Preacher	Revd Sally Womersley
Deacon	Revd Paul Hollingworth
Sub Deacon	Anthony Cross
Minister at Font	Revd Lee Thompson
Intercessor	Jane Arden
Reader	Lys Speck
Choir	ATB
Setting	Sumsion (Seymour Gloria)
Hymns	390 (Tune: Wareham) Jesus where'er thy people meet 374 (omit vv 3 & 5) How sweet the name of Jesus sounds 282 Faithful Shepherd feed me 413 Now thank we all our God
Communion	Let God arise—Locke

Collect:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading: Acts 9.36—end

Peter is called to the house of Tabitha, who has died. Following the example of Jesus, Peter raises her to life, bringing many people to faith.

Reading: Revelation 7.9-end

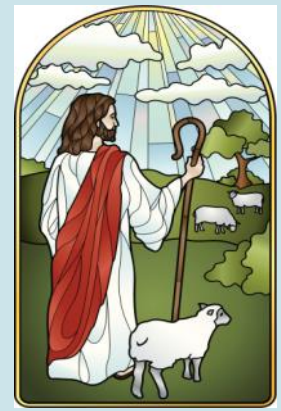
We are given a vision in which all living beings worship God, and the Lamb of God, who is also the Shepherd, shelters and heals all who have suffered for their faith.

Gospel: John 10.22-30

When asked to make a clear statement about whether or not he is the Messiah, Jesus says that his actions have already answered that question, although only his sheep can understand that.

Post Communion

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Today in Romsey Abbey

8.00am	Holy Communion Revd Lee Thompson
9.30am	Sung Eucharist Revd Thomas Wharton
11.15am	Abbey Vine (with Communion) Revd Thomas Wharton
6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Celebrant	Revd Sally Womersley
Preacher	Rhiannon Wilmott
Reader	Chris Green
Choir	ATB
Responses	Harris
Psalm	113
Canticles	Ravalde Fauxbordons on 4th Tone
Anthem	The Lord is my Shepherd—Greene
Hymns	
381	Jerusalem the golden
369	Happy are they, they that love God
457	The King of love my shepherd is
Reading	Isaiah 63.7-14
Reading	Luke 24.36-49
9.00pm	Compline @ Nine Facebook Live

Today at St Swithun's

10:00am	Holy Communion Revd Nick Flood
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Sunday 15 May

Romsey Abbey	
8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Sung Eucharist
11.15am	Abbey Vine
12.45pm	Baptism Service
3.00pm	Florence Nightingale Window Dedication
9.00pm	Compline @ Nine (FacebookLive)
St Swithun's	
10.00am	Holy Communion

Public Worship

Monday & Wednesday 9.15am
Morning Prayer in St Anne's

Tuesday & Thursday 9.15am
Holy Communion in St Nicholas's
(and on Zoom)

Friday (8am)
Holy Communion in St Nicholas's

Saturday 9.15am
Holy Communion in St Nicholas's

Sunday
8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Eucharist
11.15am Abbey Vine
6.30pm Evensong
9.00pm Compline at Nine Online

Donations

There are contactless and cash donation points at both the North and South doors

Donations to Abbey funds can also be made by using the Donate link on our website or the QR code which also goes directly to that link.

Donations can also be sent to the Parish Office(SO51 8EP) – cheques to PCC of Romsey.

Please consider Gift Aiding your donation if you pay UK Tax.

If you are able to give regularly then please consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme(PGS)

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/romsey-hampshire/>

If you are able to join the PGS or have any questions, concerns or need any help about donations to Abbey Funds contact Colin Davis, our Giving Officer on 07785 983524 or penmayne@hotmail.com.



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Change in Service Times and APCM—Sunday 22nd May

Please note, on Sunday 22nd May we will hold a Eucharist service at the later time of 10am followed by coffee in the Abbey leading to our Annual Church Parochial Meeting (APCM) at 11.30am also in the Abbey. There will be no Abbey Vine this day.

Reintroduction of the Chalice

From this Sunday we will be offering the option to receive Communion in two kinds at all of our Sunday services. If you wish to receive only the wafer, this is fine a fully sufficient. Please note, we do not allow wafers to be dipped in the wine. Communion at the 9.30am Sung Eucharist will be received at the high altar and at the font, or taken to those who would prefer this.

Appointment of a new Parish Administrator

We are delighted to announce that Lucy Rocques has been appointed as Parish Administrator to join our existing team with Karen Blundell and Stef Wilmott. We look forward to welcoming Lucy as she settles into this new role, working as part of a team of three administrators. Lucy and her family worship as part of our Abbey Vine congregation.

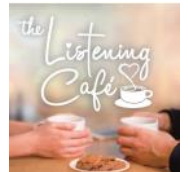
Lunchtime Recital in Aid of Ukraine: Ivan Hovorun (piano) Tuesday 17th May at 1.00pm

All proceeds from this event will be donated to the UNICEF Ukraine Appeal. Admission to the recital will be free and there will not be tickets or reserved seating and we hope that the people of Romsey will come together to donate generously.



Listening Café

Join us for the **Listening Café** every **Wednesday 1.30-3pm in the Church rooms**. We all know how important it is to have a supportive network, but the recent pandemic has left many of us feeling quite isolated or lonely. We are a group of volunteers offering a friendly, relaxed opportunity for you to meet together for support, friendship and a chat. The café is open to everyone from Romsey and the wider community. Just come along on a Wednesday afternoon 1.30-3pm for tea, coffee and biscuits.



Journeying Together Home Group

Our next meeting is on Thursday 19th May at 7.30pm at the Wisdom Centre when Mich will be leading. We shall be discussing Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit. The meeting will also be available on the Abbey's zoom link at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89904717879?pwd=S2VTY3ZDdkoyQoJyUCtNbkhlWEN6dzog>
Meeting ID: 899 0471 7879 Passcode: 400916. New members are always welcome. For further information please contact Howard and Jan Green on (01794) 516630.

Dedication of the Calling Window

We are very much looking forward to the Dedication of the Florence Nightingale Calling Window on Sunday 15th May at 3pm. The dedication service will be led by the Bishop of Southampton and will be followed by drinks served in the Abbey and a book signing by artist Sophie Hacker. There is no need to book for this service. We hope you will join us for this significant celebration of Florence Nightingale's life and recognition of all those working in the nursing and healthcare profession. **Please note, there will be no Choral Evensong this day.**



If you want to talk you can call our Pastoral Phone 07395 883 652.

From the Director of Music

We are pleased to announce that the choir will be singing Choral Evensong in St George's Chapel Windsor on Wednesday June 8th. It is likely that we will travel by coach and there may be a few spare places available. If you are interested in joining us on that occasion please contact Martin via the parish office for more information.

Romsey Sinfonietta—Carnival of the Animals

Sunday 8th May at 2.30pm

Romsey Sinfonietta continue their Storytelling Sundays concert series aimed at children and families. The orchestra welcomes two brilliant young pianists for Camille Saint-Saëns' famous depiction of animals. Conductor: Craig Lawton. Soloists: Raymond Yiu (piano), Jinah Shim (piano). Visit www.romseyabbey.org.uk/visit/concerts for ticket information.

PCC Vacancies

At the APCM there will be 5 vacancies for new members. We would welcome nominations from those willing to be actively involved in the running of the parish. To be eligible, a PCC member (Trustee) must be on the electoral roll of the parish. Please contact Pam Leech, PCC Secretary, for a nomination form at pamelacleech@gmail.com or phone 01794 522735.

APCM

Accounts for the financial year 2020/21 have now been approved, and can be viewed on our website. Copies are also available in the Abbey.

Christian Aid week: Sunday 15th – Saturday 21st May

Christian Aid is one of the PCC's chosen charities. Christian Aid Week is one of the major fund raising events for this charity and in the past Churches around the country would organise the door to door delivery and collection of envelopes to collect donations. In the days of on-line giving and contactless donations, Door to Door collections were phased out in Romsey pre-pandemic. Since door-to-door collections ended we have held very successful bucket collections in the Abbey for CA Week. CA Gift Aid envelopes will be handed out at services on Sunday 15th May for collection on the following Sunday, 22nd May. Information for those wanting to give on line will be in next week's bulletin. In addition the Romsey Christian Aid Committee will be running a bookstall in the Market Place on Saturday 21st May - we hope you will be able to visit the stall to top up your reading collection. Further information from Liz Wagner elmawag1@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.



Mother's Union: Tuesday 10th May at 2.30pm in the Church Rooms

At our meeting next Tuesday, we look forward to a talk entitled 'Our Quilts' which should provide a colourful and interesting afternoon. We hope you can join us.

English Classes for Ukrainian Families

Starting from Friday 6th May, we are pleased to be able to offer English classes to Ukrainian families who have just arrived in the Romsey area. Classes will be held three times a week in the Church Rooms: Monday morning, Tuesday evening and Friday lunchtime.



The Wisdom Centre

The Reception Team are now taking bookings for all our events and look forward to seeing you all soon. For further details of all our events, please visit our website: <https://www.wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk/wellbeing-and-spirituality-2/> **Click Here** Our next events is: **Discover Your Personal Myth in Relationships** - Saturday 21st May 2022, 10am - 4pm facilitated by Martin Handy [Click here](#)

Wednesday Weekly Prayers

We use a recurring link for midweek services and Wednesday 7pm prayers

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89904717879?pwd=S2VTY3ZDdk0yQ0JyUctNbkhlWEN6dz09>

Meeting ID: 899 0471 7879
Passcode: 400916
All welcome

Lunchtime recitals

We would like to keep you informed by email about lunchtime recitals and other musical events in Romsey Abbey.

Please give us your consent online either by using the QR code here —

or by using the following link online <https://forms.churchdesk.com/f/V2a5ROelAS>



Romsey Foodbank

The Abbey collection point is inside the South door.

The items most needed can be found on line at <https://romsey.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Thank you for your support.

Rest in Peace

Sylvia Rose
Donald Marsh
Jillian Morgan
Joyce Evelyn Riley

Years' Mind Anniversary

04 May

Muriel Hobbs (2021)
Peter Spelman (2021)

11 May

Colin Morrish (2004)

12 May

Ronald Moody (1987)

Accessing ONLINE services

To watch our online services and see www.romseyabbey.org.uk/webcasts/ or on You Tube www.youtube.com/romseyabbeycofe
Press the 'subscribe' button on You Tube. Any new videos posted by Romsey Abbey will show in your subscriptions feed.

Compline at nine

is broadcast live on Facebook. the recorded service can be watched later from the same website. You will need a Facebook account then request to join the Compline at nine group to view the service. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/complineatnine>

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The Parish Office is open 9-3pm. post may be left in the post box outside the office.

In the case of urgent pastoral need only, please contact 07395 883 652.

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[@RomseyAbbey](https://www.facebook.com/RomseyAbbey) www.romseyabbey.org.uk

This Week in the Parish

Monday 09 May: Psalm 42.1-2, 43.1-4 John 10.1-10

Daily Intention: The week's work

For the sick: Richard Burningham, Robert Hambling and Mary Luff

9.15am Morning Prayer in St Anne's Chapel

10.30am Singing Storytime @ St Swithun's TERM TIME ONLY

1.45pm Sing Your Pain Away (Church Rooms)

Tuesday 10 May: Psalm 87 John 10.22-30

Daily Intention: Medical Researchers

For the sick: Andrew Dawbney, Marilyn Watts, Mike Rowland and Nicki

9.15am Morning Prayer with Eucharist (also on Zoom)

10.00am Coffee in the Church Rooms

1.00pm Lunchtime Violin Recital – Zack Stephens

2.30pm Mothers' Union with guest speaker Judith Houghton, Chair of GMAT

Wednesday 11 May: Psalm 67 John 12.44-end

Daily Intention: The Parish Administrators

For the sick: Naomi Williams, Janet Garrett, Diane Deval and Sue Hudson

9.15am Morning Prayer In St Anne's Chapel

9.30am Abbey Toddlers @ the Church Rooms TERM TIME ONLY

10.30am Funeral for the late Mr D Marsh

1.30pm Listening Café in the Church Rooms

6.00pm Baptism Preparation in the Church Rooms

Thursday 12 May: Psalm 89.1-2, 20-26 John 13.16-20

Daily Intention: The Abbey School

For the sick: Jonathan Beer, Mike Hallett, Sue & Michael Halliwell and Maz

9.15am Morning Prayer with Eucharist (also on zoom)

12.30pm Parish Lunch

3.15pm Funeral for the late Mrs J Reilly at Test Valley Crematorium

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Friday 13 May: Psalm 2 John 14.1-6

Daily Intention: Church Cleaners

For the sick: Jen Bridges and Sue

8.00am Morning Prayer with Eucharist

10.30am They Be Babies @ the Church Rooms TERM TIME ONLY

1.00pm Funeral for the late Mrs S Rose

Saturday 14 May: Psalm 15 John 15.9-17

Daily Intention: The Vicar

For the sick: Victoria Johnson and Maureen

9.15am Morning Prayer with Eucharist

Sunday 15 May: Psalm 148 Acts 11.1-18

Daily Intention: A New Commandment—Love One Another

8.00pm Holy Communion

9.30am Sung Eucharist

11.00am Coffee in the Church Rooms

11.15am Abbey Vine

12.45pm Baptism Service

3.00pm Florence Nightingale Window Dedication

NO CHORAL EVENSONG THIS EVENING

9.00pm Compline @ Nine <https://www.facebook.com/groups/complineatnine>



Hymns, reflections
and prayers

