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#### Home Communion

If you are unable to come to church for communion and would like to receive it at home, please phone one of the clergy to make arrangements.

Healing Ministry is part of the ministry of this Church. If you would like prayers, or a visit, please speak to a Churchwarden or contact one of the clergy.

#### Looking ahead - Sunday Services:

	9am	10.30am	6.00pm
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Bromham	Oakley	
31 <sup>st</sup> May	No service	Stagsden	

Zoom services Join the services by clicking on the link (sent by email or on the benefice website), or call one of these numbers and enter

10.30am service ID number: 848 0690 8170

0131 460 1196  
0203 481 5240  
0203 901 7895  
0203 481 5237  
0208 080 6592

Hymns: 769, 232, 228, 805, 732, 227

In Emergency: When calling the emergency services give the what3words location reference below:

St. Owen's Church – fencing.sedative.gobbles  
St. Mary's Church – insolvent.correct.grin  
St Leonard's Church – squeezed.mainframe.tanked

Items for next week's pew leaflet to **Sarah Smale** by **Wednesday** lunchtime.

# Seventh Sunday of Easter



St. Owen, Bromham  
St. Mary, Oakley  
St. Leonard, Stagsden  
17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

#### **9.00am Holy Communion**

**St Leonard's Stagsden**

#### **10.30am Holy Communion\***

**St Owen's Bromham**

*\* This service will be live streamed via Zoom, see back page for more info*

#### Today's Readings

Acts 1.6- 14

1 Peter 4.12- 14; 5.6- 11

John 17.1- 11

#### Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 47

2 Samuel 23.1- 5

Ephesians 1.15- end

#### Collect for today

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,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

#### Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Verse for this week:

Suddenly two men in white robes stood by the disciples and said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven'.

Acts 1.10-11

### For Our Prayers

- Pray for those doubting, feeling God is far from them
- Children with learning difficulties, finding school hard.
- Those teaching young people to grow in faith
- Peace talks between the nations, the global leaders
- Displaced people, those struggling with poverty
- Healing, peace & comfort for those with long term and terminal illness & their carers
- The residents of Lower Farm Road, Horner Grove, Stewart Close & Farms

Please pray faithfully for those who are sick or in need and those who have asked for our prayers, their families and those who care for them:

Village:	Name:
Bromham	Michelle, Angela, Bill, Jeffrey, Julie, Tony, Amy, Andrew, Keith, Terry, John, Karen and Carol, June, Barbara, Ann, Mary, Linda, Mary, Mike, Frances and Peggy
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, Alison, Tony, Richard, David & Ann, George, Donna, Margaret, Linda, Dave, Sally, Pat, Anne & John, Pam and Pat
Stagsden	David E

### In Memoriam

**BROMHAM** Kathleen Churchman (18.05.24), Joyce Trussler (19.05.16), Alan Burfield (20.05.85), Roy Bigg (21.05.22), Katie Garret- Brown (22.05.09), Christopher Smith (22.05.21)

**OAKLEY** Beverley Hulatt (19.05.11), Geoffrey Bobbett (21.05.01), Roberta Hatt (23.05.22)

### **STAGSDEN**

**We pray for the family & friends of those who have recently died.**

**Michael Taylor** (Oakley) Funeral June 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am St Mary's

**Doreen Hull** (Bromham) Memorial service and burial of ashes June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2pm St Owen's

### Reflection

We have followed the Risen Jesus transforming the grief-stricken fearful disciples into a group prepared to carry out God's plan. He reassures them that the Father would gift the Holy Spirit to "clothe them from on high", to equip & embolden them to proclaim the Good News across the world. Jesus, ascended to the Father, would no longer be restrained by a human body. His Spirit's vitality will be with us all, living within us, guiding us. Jesus prayed for unity. It is for all of us to open our hearts minds to the Spirit.

### The "Living God's Love" Prayer

Living God, draw us deeper into your love:  
Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve;  
Holy Spirit, make us heralds of good news.

Stir us, strengthen us,  
teach and inspire us to live your love  
with generosity and joy,  
imagination and courage;  
for the sake of your world  
and in the name of Jesus. Amen

### Notices

**Our Benefice Vision** we will be sharing our vision this morning in both services! The next step is to consider our values and priorities – on Sun 7<sup>th</sup> June Rev Nick Smith will be joining us again for our Fellowship Lunch and leading us in the next stage of our thinking afterwards.

**APCMs:** The annual meetings for St Owen's and St Mary's will take place soon. Please let Catherine know if you need a paper copy of the documents.  
St Owen's – TODAY Sun May 17<sup>th</sup> 11.45am in church  
St Mary's - Weds May 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm in church

**St Paul's Concert** Tues 19<sup>th</sup> May 1pm David Williams plays a piano quartet.

**Open Deanery Synod Meeting** Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Bletsoe Village Hall. 'Living as a Human in the AI World'. This is sure to be an interesting discussion led by Revd Canon Dr Tim Bull. All welcome!

**Save the Dates** Sat 27<sup>th</sup> June Unisong Concert in the afternoon in St Owen's  
Sat 11<sup>th</sup> July Performance of Words and music by our very own David Williams and Edward Jones in St Owen's in the afternoon  
Sun 12<sup>th</sup> July Bromham Show  
Could you help at any of these events? Refreshments and servers required. Please contact Edward or Elaine.

### Regular Events

**Churchyard Working Party** meets every Wednesday in St Owen's Bromham at 10am. All are welcome to help with tasks to keep the churchyard looking neat and tidy. Please contact Pat Bass on 826990, or just turn up

**Open Saturdays at St Owen's** next date Sat 13<sup>th</sup> June, between 10am and 12noon. Contact Tessa if you would like to help on future dates.

**Stagsden Open Door** at St Leonard's on Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> June 3-4.30pm and thereafter on the first Tuesday of each month. All are welcome for refreshments and fellowship.

**Messy Church** St Owen's Mon 11.30am – 1.30pm; St Mary's Thurs 10 – 11.45am.

**Messy Church for all** Next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> June 3.30-5.30pm at Lynch Furlong, Oakley for the Summer Picnic. Picnic food provided—bring a rug to sit on! Please contact: Michael on 07799 4726865 to let us know you are coming

**Morning Prayer on Mondays** 9 – 9.30am on Zoom, link on website

**Prayer Group** Thurs mornings 10.30am in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's.

**Tuesday Holy Communion** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am.  
Next service 19<sup>th</sup> May followed by a light lunch.

**Sewing Group** on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds 2-4pm. Next 20<sup>th</sup> May in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham.  
Contact: Margaret 824402

**Link Up** Next meeting is on Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> May 2.30pm in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham for a talk by Graham on fishing. Contact: Tessa 07766 118258

**First Friday Coffee Morning** Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am-12.30 pm in the Fellowship Room, St Owen's Bromham.  
Contact Flora on 822094