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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
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Stagsden	OMC	Bromham
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Stagsden	Bromham	

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: 194, 383, 595, 358, 212, 477

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.

# Fifth Sunday of Easter



St. Owen, Bromham  
St. Mary, Oakley  
St. Leonard, Stagsden  
3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026

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

**St Mary's Oakley**

#### **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 7.55- end  
1 Peter 2.2- 10  
John 14.1- 14

#### Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 147.1- 12  
Zechariah 4.1- 10  
Revelation 21.1- 14

#### Collect for today

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of  
everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
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,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the  
life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### Verse for this week:

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.  
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;  
make melody to our God on the lyre.

Psalm 147.5,7

## For Our Prayers

Risen Jesus, teach us your ways

- May the leaders of the nations and all in authority turn to God's ways and peace
- We pray for His peace where there's conflict hate and bitterness.
- Bring healing and love wherever there are broken relationships
- For all distressed, despairing, grieving, "Do not let your hearts be troubled"
- May we see Christ in all we meet, friend and stranger.
- The residents of Leyside

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** Sandra Roberts (03.05.22), Evelyn Robinson (05.05.07), Ernest Dellow (09.05.12)

**OAKLEY**  
**STAGSDEN**

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

## Reflection

Jesus reassures his troubled disciples that He will be there for them throughout their life's journey. "I am the way, the truth and the life. Believe in me". They are God's own people and they will belong in the union He and His Father have. That will be their glorious destination when their earthly journey ends. He is our way. In a troubled world, many fear their future, and need His presence, comfort and reassurance. His guidance and love travel with us. He is our life. Are we committed to learn the ways of love and compassion and share His good news?

## 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

**From Petra** Thank you all for a wonderful & moving farewell service, with such a meaningful choir anthem. It was a special moment, with a real sense of community & love. Your gifts were beyond generous and the cakes delicious. I shall take such happy memories of our time together as we settle in Norfolk.

**Our Benefice Vision** TODAY **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**, instead of a sermon we will be focusing on thinking about our hopes and vision, sharing some of the process from the Awayday on 18<sup>th</sup> April with those who weren't able to be there.

**APCMs:** The annual meetings for St Owen's and St Mary's will take place soon. The paperwork will be circulated by email – please let Catherine know if you need a paper copy.

St Owen's – Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> 11.45am in church  
St Mary's - Weds May 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm in church

**Stagsden Open Door** returns to St Leonard's for 2026 on Tues 5<sup>th</sup> May 3-4.30pm and will continue on the first Tuesday of each month. All are welcome for refreshments and fellowship.

**Open Saturdays at St Owen's** we are once again hoping to open St Owen's monthly on a Saturday, beginning Sat 9<sup>th</sup> May, between 10am and 12noon. Thanks to all that said they could help- please let Tessa know if you can help and have not yet volunteered.

**Ascension Day Services** Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> May  
**10.30am St Owen's** lead by Al Morrow will mark the start of the 'Thy Kingdom Come' season  
**7.30pm St Peter's Sharnbrook-** Deanery Service with Confirmations. All welcome.

## 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 01234 826990 for more information, or just turn up ready and willing!

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

**Messy Church for all** Next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> May 3.30-5.30pm Oakley Methodist Church.

**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 5<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 6<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

**Fellowship Lunch** Takes a break in April and May, we will be back on 7<sup>th</sup> June