

# S<sup>+</sup>Mary's Church

Wexham

**10 August 2025, Trinity 11**



**Hibiscus**

**Services today**

8am – Holy Communion, ( Revd Chris Collinge )  
10am – Family Communion, ( Revd Chris Collinge )

**Hymns for 10am** 378, S 23, S 33; 405.

**Services this week**

Wed. 10.30am – Holy Communion for “The Pines” residents

**Services next week, 17 August**

8am – Holy Communion  
10am – Holy Communion  
1pm - Baptism

**INTERCESSIONS** - Our prayers have been asked for Sharon, Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Malcolm, Jane, Janine, Julie.

**READINGS**

**Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16.**

**By Faith**

<sup>11</sup> Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

<sup>2</sup> For by it the people of old received their commendation.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance.

And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

<sup>9</sup> By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise.

<sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

<sup>11</sup> By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup> These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

<sup>14</sup> For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.

<sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return.

<sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

## Luke 12: 32 - 40

<sup>32</sup> “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

<sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys.

<sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

### You Must Be Ready

<sup>35</sup> “Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup> and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks.

<sup>37</sup> Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them.

<sup>38</sup> If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants!

<sup>39</sup> But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into.

<sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

### COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power  
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:  
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your commandments,  
may receive your gracious promises,  
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

*“ so long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, adieu “*

*We shall be saying a fond good-bye to Jill and John at the  
10am service next Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> August, and wishing them all the very  
best in their new life.*

**Rest in Peace** – we give thanks for the life of **Doris Young** who died on Monday night, and we pray for her family and friends. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

### NOTICES

**Monday, 7.30pm for 7.45pm, Bingo** - everybody welcome!

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, 8pm – PCC.**

**Saturday 16th August, 10.00 a.m. - Churchyard care**  
with free refreshments at 11.00. Do spend some time with us if you can (whether or not you are able to stay until mid-day). As well as tending these precious grounds it is the perfect opportunity to observe fascinating seasonal changes and to chat with one another.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYBODY, HOPE YOU ARE ALL ABLE TO  
HAVE A RELAXING AND RESTFUL BREAK THIS SUMMER.**