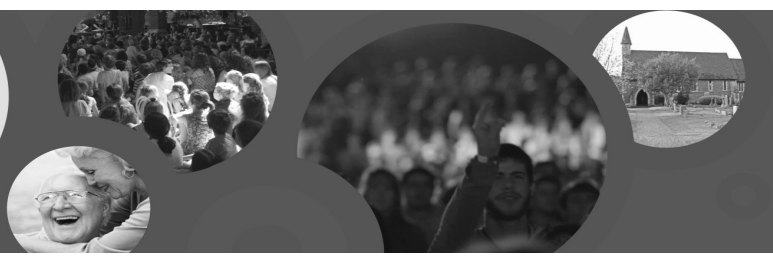


## Church Matters



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Next week	9.15 Service Warden	9.15 Prayers	9.15 Readings	Coffee	10.45 Service Warden	10.45 Prayers	10.45 Readings	Sunday Club	Screen / Sound
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# BURPHAMCHURCH

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

SUNDAY'S READINGS AND INFORMATION

## 18TH MAY 2025

### EASTER 5

## FRUITFULNESS ON THE FRONTLINE: MOULDING CULTURE

**9.15am Communion Service** at CHS

10.15am Coffee *in the hall*

**10.45am Morning Praise with Sunday Club** at CHS



**Large print weekly sheets are available at the back of church**



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[www.burphamchurch.org.uk](http://www.burphamchurch.org.uk)



## Easter Greeting

Alleluia. Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### Collect & Readings 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

**Glory to you, O Lord**

#### **Matthew 5:10-16** NIV-UK

<sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

<sup>13</sup> 'You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

<sup>14</sup> 'You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

*This is the word of the Lord:* **Thanks be to God**

### **SAVE THE DATE!** "Burpham Village Fair" **Saturday 12th July.**



Burpham Church will be taking part in the village fair and are looking for **'all hands on deck'**. If you would like to help on the day or be involved beforehand please let the office or James know. More details to follow.

### **Drop In Thursdays:**

Coffee and Company, 10.30am in the church hall. All Welcome!

*Hear Here clinic runs 1st Thursday of the month.*



### **Brick Church at CHS in 2025 DATES FOR THIS TERM**

Come and get building at CHS. Brick stations, stories, songs and refreshments!

#### **FUN for ALL the FAMILY**

For your diary: **3 -4.30pm**  
**25<sup>th</sup> May and 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

### **Ascension Day Service**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 10am at CHS.  
All welcome.

\*CHS - Church of the Holy

I love the story of the Good Samaritan – it is so familiar to us, and we feel that sense of connection with the story because it is so well known to us. But each time we read Scripture, I know we are transported to somewhere new. We notice a rich detail we have never seen before; we see through the eyes of a different witness in the narrative; we understand something more of who God is through his Word. As I read and re-read the story from Luke's gospel this past month, I couldn't help seeing ever more of the power of God's compassion to break down barriers. His love is never-ending, and his compassion doesn't get stopped by any man-made wall or barrier than may seem to be erected. In the Samaritan – a man who was so far from home, travelling a windy and dusty desert road through deep ravines and dark places, we see the embodiment of God's grace and mercy. A tribe of Samaritans who famously went out of their way to not even speak to Jews; he actually went to a wounded Jew on the side of the road out of compassion. He broke down every social / ethic barrier you could imagine. Reminiscent of Jesus meeting the woman at the well in John 4, or touching and healing the leper – the untouchable. This Samaritan was moved by compassion, acted on instinct to help, and set up a future recovery plan by signposting the wounded man to others who could continue the care. The question that keeps tugging at me – am I equipped with Godly grace, mercy and compassion? This might mean more training, including understanding unconscious blind-spots. It may call me to be a signpost to professional help. But it certainly means asking God to open my eyes to show me more of where need lies in our midst. Blessings, Rev James

### **Upcoming Services at CHS & St. Luke's**

**Friday** 23<sup>rd</sup> May at St. Luke's  
**12.00pm** Communion Service

**Sunday** 25<sup>th</sup> May  
**9.15am** Communion Service  
**10.45am** All Age with Holy Communion  
**3.00pm** Brick Church

**Thursday** 29<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day Service

**Friday** 30<sup>th</sup> May at St. Luke's  
**12.00pm** Communion Service

**Sunday** 1<sup>st</sup> June  
**9.15am** Communion Service



**Tuesday Prayers** 10 -10.30am at  
CHS An opportunity to pray together.  
Tea & Coffee available. All Welcome.

### **Farewell to Jo and Andy!**

Join us in giving Jo and Andy the best send off.

We will be celebrating and thanking them for the time they have spent with us on **Sunday 1st June** with a **Bring & Share lunch** after services at **12noon.**

To contribute to a farewell gift please go to:  
<https://app.collectionpot.com/pot/3352220>  
or donations can be made in the office.

Jo's Licensing date at Milford is **Thursday 19th June. Please sign up if you plan on attending.**