

Notices continued:

Alive@4: Today - Sunday 15th May at 4pm in St Michael's Rooms - fun, fellowship, bible stories, activities, crafts and High Tea – all welcome.

Road closure today, Sunday 15th May: Due to the annual go-kart race, the road by Callendars on Bridge Street, through the Market Hill and as far as The Castle Inn at the top of Church Street is closed from 10am (No parking on Market Hill or Church Street). Castle Street will become 2 way and free parking will be allowed on the Castle Meadow. St Michael's Rooms car park is being used as a pit stop for the go karts and so there will be no parking available there either.

THIS WEEK IS CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: Thanks to some new collectors we have a 90% coverage of the town – But if you don't get a CA Envelope through your door, please use one from the back of Church and put it in the collection or the wall safe – Last year we collected £4000 for The World's Poorest People, it will be a hard total to reach again! Your support will be much appreciated!

Thy Kingdom Come: May 8th – 15th Ascension to Pentecost. This is the Archbishops' initiative to help us pray to know Jesus better and to share the good news in word and service. To help us in Framlingham we are:

- Using some of the ideas this Sunday
- Producing one of our occasional prayer leaflets written by people in the town – please use it during the 8 days and beyond

There are some other good resources which we may use during the year. If you are interested in finding out more do look at www.thykingdom.co.uk

FOSM Lunch: This delicious lunch is happening on Thursday 19th May. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Everyone is welcome to come to this very sociable occasion, so do join us.

Knit and Stitch: The Knit and Stitch Group are progressing well with knitted and material bunting for June as well as ideas for Harvest and Christmas. Items are always welcome for the Christmas charity stall even if anyone cannot come to our meetings. Of course we prefer to join in the camaraderie of stitching together and enjoying a cuppa. Do come to the next meeting on Thursday 19th May at 2pm in church.

Deanery Synod: On Monday 23rd May 7.30pm – 9.00pm there is an open meeting of our Deanery Synod when we will welcome Bishop Mike. It will be held in Dallinghoo Church Hall. All are welcome.

The Healing Team: Two members of the Healing Group will be in our Space For Grace after the 9.30 service today for anyone to share their concerns, doubts, fears or worries. It is done in complete confidence.

Hitcham's Holy Horrors: Many thanks to all those who have collected milk bottle caps for the children's favourite game. Please stop collecting as they have an ample supply now.

FOSM Plant Stall: This annual event is happening on Saturday 28th May, 8.30am – 2pm, on the Market Hill. Anyone who has been growing things can bring them to the stall on the day or contact Jeremy Schofield on 724310, all types of plants very welcome. Please come on the day to support FOSM by buying lots of plants!

The
Church of Saint Michael
Framlingham
with All Saints Saxtead



Pentecost – May 15th 2016

Today's Service:

Processional Hymn: 120 Come down, O love divine

Gradual Hymn: 675 Spirit of the living God

Offertory Hymn: 580 O thou who camest from above.

Final Hymn: 746 There's a spirit in the air

Collect: God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit; grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 2 v 1 – 21

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in their native language. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about

God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

For the word of the Lord.

Response (ALL) **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual hymn: 675 Spirit of the living God

Alleluia: (ALL) **Alleluia x 4**

GOSPEL: John 14. 8–17.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Response (ALL): **Glory to you O Lord.**

8 Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' 9 Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who

believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. 15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. 17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response (ALL): **Praise to you O Christ.**

Post Communion: Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal; open our lips by your Spirit that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for: Shirley Lock, David James, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

Please also pray for: Oliver Rae who is being baptised here today at 12 noon and for his family.

Wednesday 18th May– 10.30am Holy Communion in church.

Next Sunday: Sunday 22nd May: 8am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 9.30am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship).

Saxtead: 11.15am Holy Communion.

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