



# St Anne's Church, Chingford

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**18<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Easter 5**

**Parish Eucharist - 10.00**

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**Welcomers:** Velma Davis, Anthony Sullivan

**Servers:** Julie Adesina, Phil Hallsworth

**Chalice:** Eira Endersbee, Marcia Hall

**Lessons:** Bill Gloyn

**Prayers:** Heather Gwynn

**Preacher:** Mike Powell (Christian Aid)

**Celebrant:** Jude Bullock

**Music:** Bill Gloyn

**Hymns:**

243 God is love

362 Inspired by love and anger

198 For the healing of the nations

819 When I needed a neighbour

211 From the very depths of darkness



"A world full of  
hope and kindness  
is a more beautiful  
world,"

Pope Francis



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**This week**

Monday	19th May	19.30	Parochial Church Council
Friday	23rd May	10.00	Eucharist
Sunday	25th May	08.30	Eucharist
		10.00	Informal Service with Synagogue



## **Collect**

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**

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.

## **First Reading**

### **Acts 11.1-18**

<sup>1</sup>The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup>But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

This is the word of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

*All Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia.*

## **Second Reading**

### **Revelation 21.1-6**

<sup>1</sup>I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a

loud voice from the throne saying,  
‘See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.’

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

This is the word of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

All     **Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## **Gospel**

***John 13.31-35***

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

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

All     **Glory to you, O Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.**

<sup>31</sup>During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.”’ <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

All     **Praise to you, O Christ Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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**The music this week** is again drawn from the Classic FM Hall of Fame, some 300 pieces chosen by 90,000 listeners at Easter weekend. The ranking is shown in brackets.

Before the service - All by George Frederic Handel; “Did you not hear my lady?” Silent Worship from the Opera “Ptolemy” (168); “Saraband & variations, Jigg and Corrant” from the Suite in D minor(146); “Air, Bourrée & Coro” from The Water Music (120)

During the Peace - Max Bruch, “Adagio” from Violin Concerto No.1 (24); Ukraine prayer for peace

Communion - Handel, “He shall feed his flock” from The Messiah (45)

Outgoing voluntary - Gustav Holst, “Jupiter” from The Planet’s Suite (10)

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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme



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please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.

**Ukraine and Eat or Heat** - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

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**Easy Grow Vegetables**- Anthony Sullivan has vegetable plants available. No charge but a donation to the coffee fund is requested. Please see Anthony.

**Welcoming the East London and Essex Synagogue. Next Sunday at 10.00.** This will be a joyous occasion of worshipping together and sharing a meal. There is a list at the back of the church, for contributions for the meal, if in any doubt have a word with either Heather, Marcia or Lindsey.

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**Quiz Night 7th June together with the Synagogue** . There is a leaflet to take with you with the info on it. If you would like to come and bring some friends, please do. A fish and chip supper (and vegan alternative) is included in the price of the ticket.

### FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

**Anniversaries for May.** 2nd Eric Norton, 6th Kathleen Rickard, 12th Lillian Fisher, 18th Michael Tucker, Edna Mortimer, 21st Pauline Warner, 23rd Joan Pinder, 26th Winton Scotchmer, Doris Smy, 30th Winifred Sherman, Peter Potter.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them,  
may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*