

NOTICES:

PCC: We will be holding a PCC Meeting via Zoom at 7:30pm on the 4th of June.

NEWS SHEET: If you would like to receive a copy of this news sheet via email, please contact the Parish Office **via email** to be added to the electronic distribution list.

CHURCH GIVING AND COLLECTIONS: As services are unable to take place at the moment, those of you who wish to continue to support the church whose utility, staff, and diocesan commitments still continue, may do so by paying direct into the church bank account or setting up a regular standing order. If you wish to do this these are the banking details you will need:

Bank Sort code: 40-52-40

Account: All Saints Leighton Buzzard

A/C No: 00019360

If you wish to continue using envelopes, please hold onto these until the church building is reopen. With many thanks for everyone's continued support at this time.

FOREST CHURCH: We will be coming together via Zoom for a short service of Forest Church at 4pm on Sunday 24th May. Please join us if you are able. If you do not have access to zoom an order of service will be made available on the church website from the beginning of next week. You may like to use this in your own time for prayer and reflection.

ONLINE RESOURCES:

The Church of England has made a booklet of prayers for use at this time which you can find on their webpage under Coronavirus liturgy and prayers, or by following this link:

https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/Prayer%20Book%20Digital%20Single%20Pages%202%20April_0.pdf

You can also light a candle for someone online by following this link:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/light-candle>

Daily HOPE, a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers is available on **0800 804 8044**. More information is available by following this link:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-parishes/daily-hope-phone-line#na>

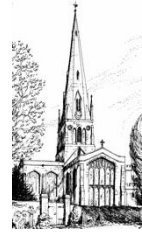
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Sunday 24th May 2020

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension Day**



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

The Collect & Readings for Today

Collect:

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings:	Acts 1: 6-14 1 Peter 4: 12-14; 5.6-11
Psalm:	68 vv. 1-10, 32-35
Gospel:	John 17: 1-11
Hymn:	HON 81a Christ triumphant
Anthem:	Coelos ascendit hodie - Stanford

IN YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE REMEMBER

Sick: Tony Simpson, Michael Grant, Marie Brooker, Mike Nash, Ava Palmer, David Cox, Kerry Sykes, Marjorie Bewick, Rachel Bowerman

RIP: Barbara Barton, Doreen Cope, Anthony Hawkins, Pat Munroe, Agnus Milne

Year's Mind: Paul Reynolds, Patricia Olds, Karolyn Jones, John Watkiss, Christine Roe, Peter Jones, Cyril Stratton, Olive Aris, Ray Francis, John Lawrie, Ethel Gilbert, Eleanor Edgoose, Sarah Loke, Amy Willett, Irene Sutton, Brian Hill

Saint Days:

Monday 25th:

The Venerable Bede, Monk at Jarrow, Scholar, Historian, 735

Collect: God our maker, whose Son Jesus Christ gave to your servant Bede grace to drink in with joy the word that leads us to know you and to love you: in your goodness grant that we also may come at length to you, the source of all wisdom, and stand before your face; 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.

Tuesday 26th:

Augustine, first Archbishop of Canterbury, 605

Collect: Almighty God, whose servant Augustine was sent as the apostle of the English people: grant that as he laboured in the Spirit to preach Christ's gospel in this land, so all who hear the good news may strive to make your truth known in all the world; 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.

Thursday 28th:

Lanfranc, Prior of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Scholar, 1089

Saturday 30th:

Josephine Butler, Social Reformer, 1906

Collect: God of compassion and love, by whose grace your servant Josephine Butler followed in the way of your Son in caring for those in need: help us like her to work with strength for the restoration of all to the dignity and freedom of those created in your image; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer for Forest Church:

Father God, we stand in quietness and thank you for our world.
Vast sky above, firm earth under our feet, trees bursting into leaf in a thousand greens, the gift of your seasons carrying us through the troubles of the present.

Bless this good earth, and make it fruitful.
Bless our homes, and bless the loved ones we cannot be with.
Cherish the lonely, strengthen the fearful, comfort the sad.

In your loving kindness, inspire in us a deeper love for each other
and a deeper care for the natural world.
And in the darkest moments, give us hope,
for your mercies are new every morning.
Amen.