

★ **It's Cake Week!** Following last month's amazing fund raising of £195, cakes are on sale once again. Enjoy!



★ **Sunday Lunch:** Following the success of the first Traditional Sunday Lunch, Sue Blore will be holding another on **Sunday, 3rd June**. Minimum donation of £10 a head for a great lunch. She will have a very well behaved dog staying at her home on that date. Please ring her on 01628 661815 to book your place.

★ There is still time to get your tickets for the **Royal Wedding themed Afternoon Tea** taking place in the Rectory Garden from **2:00 to 4:30 next Sunday (20th)**. Tickets are available from janecresswell523@gmail.com or 01628 661182: £10 for adults and £5 for children (Children five and under are free)

★ **Seven Weeks to the Summer Fete (30th June) ...and plenty to do!**



⊗ Lots of interesting things to tempt people to come are planned so do **encourage your friends to join you** for the day.

⊗ **Help is needed** to set up, clear down and man stalls. Please sign up on sheet in Church or contact Nicki directly on 07801504681.

⊗ **Donations needed:** please leave Tombola items (unwanted gifts of any sort) at the back of the church. White Elephant item go to Jennifer, Books go to Jan (or leave in church), Plants and Cakes are needed on the day so please plan for this too.

★ Finally, have you sent Tony your **favourite recipe(s)** yet for the recipe book? Tony 07747 613900, email: tony.bridge@gmail.com

Services next Week

Wednesday, (16th May): 12:00—Open Wednesday with 'Thy Kingdom Come' Service at 12:30 followed by Ploughman's Lunch

Sunday, 20th May: Pentecost

9:15am: Matins at St Anne's Church, Dropmore

10:45am: Parish Communion at St Nicolas' Church, Taplow

Further information on **St Nicolas Church Website:** <http://st-nicolas-taplow.org>

If you need to **contact the Vicar**, you can ring her on 01628 661182 or email her: janecresswell523@gmail.com

Notices in the Pew Leaflet: If you have a notice or news for the *Pew Leaflet*, please email it to Jim Oliver (oliverjim1@sky.com) by the end of the Wednesday preceding the Sunday date you want it in. This leaflet is on the website from the Friday preceding each Sunday.

St Anne's Church, Littleworth Common

We are part of



St Nicolas' Church, Taplow

Seventh Sunday in Easter

13th May, 2018



Faithful to God

Caring for each other

Serving the Community

Welcome to this morning's Service. At St Nicolas, children are invited to the Sunday School after the first hymn.

Collect (or Prayer for Today)

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.

First Reading: Acts 1:15 to 17, 21 to 26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Gospel: John 17:6-19

Jesus lifted his eyes to heaven and said, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth".

Anthem: *Come down, O Love divine* William Harris

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This Week's News and Notices

- ◆ **Considering Our Patterns of Worship:** to date, over thirty people have contributed to our survey either online or on paper.  *Thank you to all those who have given time to carefully considering this important matter.* If you haven't done this yet, there are now just **two weeks to go** before we close the survey. Please either collect a survey form from the back of church and return it next week or complete the survey online using [the link on our website](https://goo.gl/forms/GBX6xFKiJdKwWCng2) or going directly to <https://goo.gl/forms/GBX6xFKiJdKwWCng2>. Thank you.
- ◆ **'Thy Kingdom Come':** This is a global prayer movement, which invites  Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. What started out as an invitation from the Archbishops' of Canterbury and York in 2016 to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer. Our contribution starts today with a **Deanery service at St Anne's Church, Dropmore at 3.00pm** led by our Vicar, Jane and Rev'd Malcolm White. In addition, St Nicolas Church will lead the daily worship next **Wednesday, (16th) at 12.30pm** as part of our usual Open Wednesday. Please do join in these services if you can. Details of all the daily prayer services is on the website (Services).
- ◆ **All Age Worship:** The next service is in two week's time (**27th May**). It will be an outdoor service starting on **the village green at 10:45am**. We will be walking together to **Old Priory Gardens**, so you may want to wear trousers to help protect legs from brambles and nettles. If the weather is bad, we will still try and spend some time outside, but we have some shelter available in school! If you have any queries, contact Sarah Bradley, allageworship@gmail.com
- ◆ **Southside Appeal:** To date, we have raised £10,515 of the £75,000 we require. £6K of this was left over from the North side and Parapet appeal so our current appeal has raised about £4.5K so far. This is a great start but there is much more to be done. Phil is putting in applications for Trust fund grants (and would welcome any help with this) and we should all pray that these applications will help our efforts. Meanwhile, we are hopefully all focused on....