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THIS SUNDAY 24 May – Easter 7 Sunday after Ascension Day Lectionary Readings: Ezekiel 36, 24-28, Acts 1. 6-14, John 17. 1-11 10.00am Zoom Sunday Morning Worship		
7.00pm	Zoom	MONDAY 25 MAY Evening Worship focus on Crowfield
10.00am	Zoom	TUESDAY 26 MAY Morning Worship focus on Creeting St Mary
7.00pm	Zoom	WEDNESDAY 27 MAY Evening Worship focus on Earl Stonham
7.00pm	Zoom	THURSDAY 28 MAY Evening Worship focus on Hemingstone
7.00pm	Zoom	FRIDAY 29 MAY Evening Worship focus on Gosbeck
7.00pm	Zoom	SATURDAY 30 MAY Evening Worship focus on Stonham Aspal
NEXT SUNDAY 31 May – Pentecost Lectionary Readings:1 Corinthians12.3b-13, Acts 2.1-21, John 20.19-23 10.00am Zoom Pentecost Morning Worship		
BENEFICE WORSHIP via ZOOM – If you haven't joined us before and would like to, please send an email to reader.ruthdennigan@gmail.com. Before the worship starts you will receive an email from Ruth with a link to click on.		

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LECTIONARY READINGS for 24 May – Easter 7 Sunday after Ascension Day

Ezekiel 36. 24-28

²⁴ "For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. ²⁶ I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. ²⁸ Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God.

Acts 1:6-14

⁶ Then they gathered round him and asked him, 'Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?'

⁷ He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'

⁹ After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹ 'Men of Galilee,' they said, 'why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.'

¹² Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's from the city. ¹³ When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

John 17:1-11

17 After Jesus said this, he looked towards heaven and prayed:

'Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ² For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

⁶ 'I have revealed to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.



PRAY FOR FIVE FRIENDS

During Thy Kingdom Come we are asked to pray for five friends.

Praying for others to know Jesus is one of the most powerful things we can do. Persistent prayer for others brings transformation to their lives.

Consistently praying for others takes discipline, and there are many ways that we can build up habits that will help us to pray for our friends and family.

Choose five people you would regularly like to pray for and write their names down onto a list. If you're not sure who to pray for, ask God to guide you as you choose. Once you have settled on 5 names, commit to praying for them regularly by praying the following:

Loving Father, in the face of Jesus Christ your light and glory have blazed forth. Send your Holy Spirit that I may share with my friends *[here, name your friends]* the life of your Son and your love for all. Strengthen me as a witness to that love as I pledge to pray for them, for your name's sake. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send any prayer requests to Philip 01449 711684 <u>revphilippayne@btinternet.com</u> or Helen 01449 761867 <u>h.norris1@hotmail.co.uk</u> who will include them in their private prayers.

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