Dates for your Diary

Today

11.45am Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Details and nomination forms for Wardens and PCC on the table in the South Aisle.

TOMORROW Monday 23rd May 11.15am Funeral—

Robert Deakin - Refreshments in Parish Room from 1.30pm

Friday June 17th 7.30pm—Vale Royal String Orchestra here at St Cross. £12 per ticket. Proceeds to VRSO and St Cross.

Tickets on sale soon priced £12. See flyers around church (to appear soon and also on our website).

Saturday July 2nd - Open Gardens for Challenge 50. More information to follow.

Also at St Johns, Friday June 10th at 8pm, and organised by Steven Benson "Sing Me To Heaven" – a selection of music for a summer's evening sung by Cheshire's newest a cappella group: Counterpoint. Featuring church music, music from the musicals, plus more.

For more information and to secure a seat for £15, follow https://linktr.ee/singmetoheaven or you can buy tickets on the door.

ST CROSS CHURCH, KNUTSFORD



Faithful to God Friendly Flourishing for all

SUNDAY 22nd MAY 2022 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER <u>8.45 and 10am Eucharists</u>

Welcome to St Cross for our morning eucharists.

The Collect for the Day

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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. **Amen.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon Acts 16.9-15 us.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore. **Alleluia**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John: Glory to you, O Lord

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?' The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.' Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.' At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

John 5.1-9

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever **Amen**.

SERVICES IN THE NEXT WEEK

Wednesday 25th May 10am Said Eucharist

Thursday 26th May ASCENSION DAY 7.30pm SUNG EUCHARIST (KMC to join St Cross)

Sunday 29thMay Easter 7 8.45am SAID EUCHARIST 10am SUNG EUCHARIST