

**Dates to remember:**

10<sup>th</sup> May 11:30am: APCM

12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May 7pm: Catholic & Reformed: How did we become Anglicans?

14<sup>th</sup> May 7pm: Ascension Day Eucharist

16<sup>th</sup> May 11am: Parish Quiet Day

24<sup>th</sup> May : Pentecost Sunday with Bring & Share Lunch

27<sup>th</sup> June: Parish Trip to Rochester

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**Please take this notice sheet away with you.** There are copies available to give to a friend or neighbour who is not able to be in church.

**Items for the newsletter should be notified to Fr Daniel via email by Tuesday morning.**

# St Stephen Norbury & Thornton Heath Newsletter

## 3<sup>rd</sup> May 5th Sunday of Easter

<b>Sun 3rd May 5th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>8am: Said Eucharist (Fr Daniel Burton)</b> <b>10am: Sung Eucharist (President &amp; Preacher – Fr Daniel Burton)</b>
<b>Wed 6th May</b>	<b>10am: Said Eucharist (Fr Daniel Burton)</b>
<b>Thu 7th May</b>	10:30am: Pegasus Community Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sat 9th May</b>	<b>10am: Said Eucharist (Fr Daniel Burton)</b> 10:30am: Friendship & Fellowship Group
<b>Sun 10th May 6th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>8am: Said Eucharist (Fr Daniel Burton)</b> <b>10am: Sung Eucharist (President &amp; Preacher – Fr Daniel Burton)</b> 11:30am: Annual Parochial Church Meeting

**PRAYING FOR THE PARISH.** This month we are praying for all those who live in Dovercourt Avenue and Stratford Road. Our thanks to Helen Doe who carries out this important ministry. As we pray for those who live in our parish, it's good to use our own gifts and personal contacts to invite our neighbours to come to St Stephen's for a visit or a service.

**THE BREAD AND WINE.** For £5.00 the elements can be dedicated to a loved one or to mark a special occasion. Please speak to Andrea Anderson if you would like to make a dedication.

If you would like to receive these newsletter digitally each week, please email Fr Daniel via [vicarnth@gmail.com](mailto:vicarnth@gmail.com) to let him know.

The **Friendship & Fellowship Group** will next be meeting at 10:30am on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May in the church hall. There will be a quiz ("name that tune" – Oxford v Cambridge). The group will also be putting on an evening of Retro music with dance & social on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 6-9:30pm, for which tickets are now on sale (£15 which includes a meal). Please speak with Iona Nelson-Ashley or Marie Goode for more information.

Fr Daniel will be doing two talks (similar to the talk last year on the Nicene Creed) on 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm called '**Catholic and Reformed: How did we become Anglicans?**'. The 1<sup>st</sup> talk will look at the history of the Church of England from 1533-1714; the 2<sup>nd</sup> will focus on the history of Anglicanism from 1714 until today, including Anglicanism's journey around the globe. All are welcome – this will be a great opportunity to learn more about the history and beliefs of Anglicanism.

After a very successful concert last month, the **Pegasus Community Choir** has restarted rehearsals at **10:30am on Thursdays**. All are welcome!

Our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** (where we review life at St Stephen's over the past year and elect Church Wardens) will be on Sunday

10<sup>th</sup> May directly after the 10am Sung Eucharist. At the APCM, we will be **electing new Parochial Church Council and Deanery Synod members**. There are 5 places on the PCC, as well as 3 places on Deanery Synod up for election this year. Please find application forms to be elected to the PCC and Deanery Synod at the back of church – you will need a proposer and seconder. If you have any questions, please give Fr Daniel a call. We will also be electing our Church Wardens.

Aileen Ross will be leading a **Quiet Day in church** on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May from 11am. All are welcome. This is an excellent opportunity to deepen your prayer life and spirituality.

On **Pentecost Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> May)** we will be having another **bring & share lunch** to celebrate Pentecost. As the disciples spoke in different languages from across the world, we ask the congregation of St Stephen's to prepare dishes from the diverse countries and places we come from across the globe to share with our church family. **So we have time, we will have our Sung Eucharist at 9:30am on 24<sup>th</sup> May rather than 10am.**

We have now managed to find a **Tai Chi** instructor to do classes for those who have expressed an interest from St Stephen's. It's looking like Tai Chi will be meeting on Tuesday mornings. If you are still interested, please speak with Andrea Anderson or email her via [msequinox@msn.com](mailto:msequinox@msn.com)

Fr Daniel won't be available on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May this week.

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