



Church of the
Good Shepherd

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Christian Aid Week

10th May 2026



Genesis 8.20-9.1. 'The fear and dread of you (the human race) shall rest on every animal on earth, on every bird of the air, on everything which creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea; into your hand are they delivered'. Image by Revd Jess, see Bible Art below for commentary.

We celebrate the sixth Sunday of Eastertide this week with a special service for Christian Aid Week. At 10am we welcome Bella Cross, Campaigns Officer for Christian Aid, who will speak about the work of the charity, with a focus Nairobi where their partner Beacon of Hope is providing tools and training to help escape the cruel grip of urban poverty. Our collection this week will be for Christian Aid, and Christian Aid prayer booklets will be distributed. All are welcome.



Collect

Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

Readings

Genesis 8.20-9.17, Acts 17.22-31, Psalm 66.7-18, 1 Peter 3.13-22
John 14.15-21



Sea Lights meets in the hall this week at 10am with a focus on Christian Aid. New children are always welcome.

Chichester Cathedral marks

Christian Aid Week with a special service of Choral Evensong on Tuesday 12 May, 5.30pm. The guest speaker will be Elizabeth Walker, Finance and Corporate Governance Director at Christian Aid. All are warmly invited to attend, and to stay afterwards for a drinks reception.

FRIENDS will resume meeting on Friday 15th May 2-4pm for chat and games, tea and cake and then on Friday 15th June. If you think you would like to try it, please ring Joy to find out more. Tel.01273 462584

Ascension Day Service There will be special service for Ascension on Thursday 14th May, 7pm, at St Mary de Haura. All welcome.

New Bishop – have your say

Bishop Martin retires at the end of May, and as a diocesan family we are beginning the search for his successor. Have your say in the appointment at tinyurl.com/next-bishop It will take only a few minutes to complete, and

it is open until May 26th. We welcome responses from everyone.

Find out more about the process for appointing our next bishop at

www.chichester.anglican.org/vacancy-in-see/

Bible Art (see image at top of newsletter)

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everything which creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea; into your hand are

they delivered'. In this passage we tend to

focus on the rainbow as a sign of God's promise to humankind, but in the middle of it

are the two sentences above. It is only in the last century that we have come to a

realisation of how every living thing on earth has reason to fear us, from those we treat

with ignorant cruelty to those species we have already driven to extinction, and all

those we are heedlessly driving to extinction today, and will drive to extinction tomorrow.

And yet ... there are the Spring growths of understanding as land is re-wilded, reserves

are set up on land and sea, and millions of people support charities which are trying to

reverse the trends and care for both domestic animals and wildlife. May the Holy Spirit

guide us to do what is right. **Revd Jess**

Healing Prayer is offered most Sundays after the 10am service in the side chapel.

Dave's walk Dave Worrall, COGS

Stewardship Officer, is doing a fundraising walk across the Chichester Diocese during

May. Dave is walking 105 miles from

Southbourne, near the Hampshire/West Sussex border to East Guldeford on the East

Sussex/Kent border. Funds raised will be for COGS's mission partners, who support those

in need locally, nationally and internationally. Additionally, monies raised will be for the

replacement of mullion windows in the church and pointing of the church hall.

Match-funded grants are being applied for the mullion windows replacements. Please consider supporting Dave in his fundraising efforts. See the flyer and poster in church for more information. We send Dave our best wishes for a blister free walk!

Fundraising Walk
across the Chichester Diocese

Dave Worrall, Stewardship Officer from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Shoreham Beach, is walking...
from Southbourne (Hampshire border) to East Guldeford (Kent border).

Raising funds for charities supported by the Good Shepherd (local, national and international). Also for the replacement of church mullion windows and hall brick repairs

Find out more!

105 miles!

Church of the Good Shepherd Shoreham Beach

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Share joy
Grow hope
Fight hunger

Join the fun this Christian Aid Week, 10-16 May, and put **hope into action.**

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Afternoon Tea Fundraiser **Saturday May 9**

2-4pm at **The Church of the Good Shepherd**
Shoreham Beach, BN43 5LF

£10 adults £5 children under 11

Includes a donation to Christian Aid

contact Jill: 07796932420 for tickets or email

Jenny Stride: jennymarshall42@gmail.com



To donate to Christian Aid please scan this QR code



The Church of the Good Shepherd presents....
JOHN & DAVE'S
"Sooper-Dooper"

In aid of
christian
aid

QUIZ
NIGHT



Join us at the Church of the Good Shepherd Hall, Kings Walk, Shoreham Beach for a "Sooper-Dooper" Quiz Night hosted by the hilarious John & Dave
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS & NIBBLES
(Light refreshments available at the interval for a donation to Christian Aid)

£5 a ticket each : maximum table size of 6

Contact : jillcharlish@hotmail.com or jennymarshall42@gmail.com for tickets

Friday 15th May
6:30pm for 7:00pm prompt start
www.goodshepherdshorehambeach.org.uk

People's Climate and Nature



Emergency Briefing

A coalition of the UK's major church denominations and Christian

organisations have launched a Call to Action, urging churches to get involved and support the newly released *People's Emergency Briefing* film. The 45-minute film, the [People's Emergency Briefing](#), presents the latest evidence on the climate and nature crisis and features powerful interviews with leading experts. The group backing the community screenings of the film includes the Church of England, the Roman Catholic Church in England and Wales and many faith-based charities. If you would like to see the film locally, join Revd Jane, who is attending, at **the Ropetackle, Saturday 30th May, 2pm-3.15pm**. It is free but booking is [required](#). John Watters is hosting an opportunity for community discussion after the screening.

Half-term Family
Fun Afternoon
Flower Power!

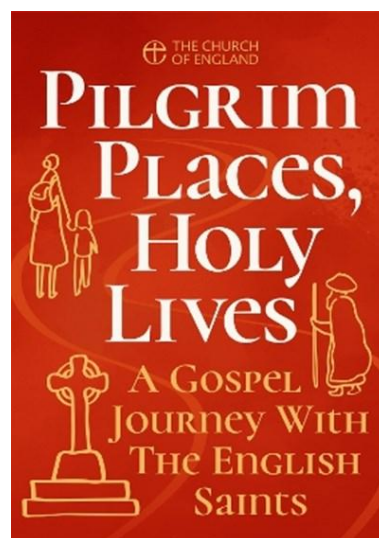
Wednesday 27th May
2pm-4pm drop-in
Free!

Crafts
Milkshakes
Lego
Games



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Church Hall, Kings Walk, Shoreham Beach

Pilgrim Places, Holy Lives



As mentioned in last Sunday's sermon, this summer, the Church of England offers a new reflection campaign centred around pilgrimage – places and stories that help us feel

part of something bigger on our journey towards God. Running from the day after Pentecost (25 May) to 21 June, these readings and reflections explore eight places which were important in the spread of Christianity in England, and the stories of the saints who lived there. Each day will include a **Bible reading**, a **prayer**, a **short reflection** and a **suggested action** or **reflective question**. Full-colour Church House Publishing booklets for adults are now available for £3.99 from [Church House Publishing](#) Alternatively, you

can freely download The Everyday Faith app on your phone that will carry reflections for adults every Monday to Saturday, based on the booklet. The reflections will be shared from 25 May to 20 June.



And finally... You can follow Dave Worrall's inspiring fundraising walk on our church Facebook page/group where we are regularly posting his updates. He has had a great start to the journey.

Keep going Dave with our blessings!

I work half-time and the days I am usually available are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday morning. I wish you all a blessed week, Revd Jane

Services this week

Sunday 10th May

8am – Holy Communion with Revd Jane.

10am – Parish Communion with Revd Jane and Bella Cross from Christian Aid. This service will be live streamed onto our Facebook and You Tube channel. You Tube page [CLICK HERE](#)
Church Facebook page [CLICK HERE](#)

Please note that we don't stream our all-age services.

Tuesday 12th May

9.30am – Holy Communion with Revd Jane.

Wednesday 13th May

6pm – Celtic Evening Prayer on Zoom [CLICK HERE](#)

Meeting ID: 868 1252 3106 Passcode: 960274

Friday 15th May

8am – Meditation with Morning

Prayer A benefice service at St Mary de Haura

Saturday 16th May

8am – Morning Meditation

– in the Good Shepherd and also on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81286470381>

Meeting ID: 812 8647 0381



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