



What an AWESOME God!

## Welcome

### Services online

Services – all available on the church YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>

or via the church website:

<https://st-matthias-church.org/about-us/covid-19-corona-virus/>

(or follow links from 'covid/coronavirus' or 'services' tabs on home page)

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>New! Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)</b>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Breakfastzone</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Join us for coffee at 10.30am every Sunday – on Zoom!</b>  If you've not used Zoom before you will need to try to do this before Sunday - and either click on the link at the bottom of this text box and then download the small amount of software you need, or go to the main website:  <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/">https://us04web.zoom.us/</a>  If you have used Zoom before, then either click on the link below and it should take you straight there; or go to your own zoom app, and 'join meeting' by using the blue link or 'Meeting ID' below. This will remain the same for the next three weeks at least, and you will not need a password. See you there!  Meeting ID: 711 6773 0270 or via this link: <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71167730270">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71167730270</a>
<b>11am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>8pm</b>	<b>Light a candle in a window</b> as a symbol of the light of Christ, as part of a national prayer initiative to pray for our government, healthcare workers, and all who are suffering from or working to combat the Coronavirus.

**Bible Reading for today: Acts 2:42-47 & Luke 24:44-49**

**Find in your bible or link to:**

Acts <https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=acts+2%3A++42-47&version=NIVUK>

Luke <https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+24%3A44-49&version=NIVUK>

Next week	
<b>Friday</b> <b>8 May</b>	<b>VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</b> <b>A prayer for VE Day</b> <i><b>From the Act of Commitment for Peace</b></i> Lord God our Father, We pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen
<b>Sunday</b> <b>10 May</b>	<b>Church Family Service – available from 9.30am</b> <b>Coffee on Zoom @ 10.30am</b>  Meeting ID: 711 6773 0270 or via this link: <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71167730270">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71167730270</a>

### Collect

Holy God,  
 faithful and unchanging:  
 enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
 and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
 that we may truly worship you,  
 Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever. Amen

### Thanks today to...

All those caring for  
 family and loved  
 ones at home



## News

**Daily Hope** – A new phone line resource from the Archbishop of Canterbury’s office which comes highly recommended:

### Trouble using Zoom?

John Gerard of St Matts has kindly offered to give tutorials about how to get the best out of Zoom –

or even just to get started on it...do just phone him on 07870154084.



A free phone line of hymns,  
 reflections and prayers

**Torquay Community Larder** is still operating and in need of donations. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection. (As the church is closed donations cannot be left there.)

**Spring Harvest** still has some AMAZING videos from their Spring Harvest Home week available: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SpringHarvest/playlists>

**Annual Church Meeting** With this meeting so delayed why not read the Annual Report and reports from the various church groups through now? We hope you will find it an encouraging and helpful read. Thank you. Click on the two links here:

[APCM report 2020](#)

[Group reports](#)

<b>For our prayers and praise this week</b>	
<b>Sun</b>	Jesus came to them and said, "Peace be with you" Praise God that we can worship HIM through virtual services. Pray for the church under persecution, that Christians will be brave and faithful.
<b>Mon</b>	Thank God that Boris Johnson is better. Pray he will be wise and continue to get over his illness. Praise the Lord that he and his fiancée were delivered of their baby safely.
<b>Tues</b>	Pray for our Home Groups and their leaders. Thank God some have found a satisfactory way of conducting their virtual meetings. Pray for others who are still seeking ways acceptable to all for their meetings.
<b>Wed</b>	Pray for those in our church family who are ill, apart from the pandemic. May they have the power of healing in their lives.
<b>Thurs</b>	Thank God for all who are working with those who have the Coronavirus and for all helping one another in shops and running errands for the housebound. Pray especially for those in care homes and their staff - all so vulnerable.
<b>Fri</b>	Pray for those confined to their homes and finding it so difficult. Those who feel frightened, angry, lonely, rejected. Pray God will meet them in whatever situation they are in.
<b>Sat</b>	Remember John and Paul and others preparing Sunday's services. Please God give them insight, imagination and the power of the Holy Spirit.
<b>Sun</b>	As we worship in our homes with our modern technology, may we be open to what God is saying even though we are not all together physically.

**Although the church building is closed you can still contact the Church:**

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*(Pere Snow is on Furlough Leave but the phone is still being answered)*

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**Asst Minister:** Paul Barton 07807 636470

**Blue Light Prayer:** 07579 030681

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