

# PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END

*Growing together in Faith, Hope and Love*

TRINITY SUNDAY

31 MAY 2026

## CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion	Led by Revd William Allberry at 9am at St George's (SG)
Preacher	Revd William Allberry
Churchwarden	Charles Hawkshaw-Burn
Reading, Prayers	Charles Hawkshaw-Burn, Peter Bedford
Musician	Robert Cunningham
Parish Communion (live streamed)	Led by Revd William Allberry at 10.30am at Christ Church (CC)
Preacher	Revd William Allberry
Churchwarden	Will Stevens
Sidespeople	Sean Seymour-Cole, Colin Martin
Reading, Prayers	Bob Lonnon, Will Stevens
Musicians	Stuart Whatton, Oliver Macfarlane, Robert Cunningham
Refreshments	Sue Dunne, Janie McCulloch

## SERVICE MUSIC

Opening music	<i>Andante from Sonata no. 6</i> (Mendelssohn)
SG & CC hymns	276, 676, 603
SG / CC settings	Addington / Coulson
Post sermon music	<i>Troisième Gnosienne</i> (Satie)
Communion anthem	<i>Holy, holy, holy</i> (Schubert)
Closing music	<i>Chorale Prelude 'Herzlich tut mich erfreuen', Op. 122 no. 4</i> (Brahms)

## 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.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself  
as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## Welcome to the Parish

Our two churches, Christ Church and St George's, have been beacons of faith, hope and love in Esher for well over a century.

Generations have come through our doors to celebrate marriages, welcome newborns into our Christian faith and to grieve their losses - all of it embraced by the worship and prayer offered each week.

Every Sunday we explore the richness of our Christian traditions through words and music, silence and sacrament.

Some of us grew up in church and have never left, some of us grew out of church but are testing the waters again, some of us have more questions than answers but whatever the reason, we all belong here.

You can find full details of our services online. Most Sundays we worship at 9am at St George's, West End and at 10.30am at Christ Church, Esher.

We look forward to welcoming you.

**READING Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end**

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

**GOSPEL Matthew 28.16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

**Other Lectionary Texts**

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13.11-13

## PARISH NOTICES

**Thank you** - To Revd William Allberry, for visiting us and leading our morning services. It is a joy to worship with you.

**Vacancy Update** – The closing date for applications has now passed. We ask for your continued prayers as we shortlist applications in early June for a new Rector.

**Sunday School** - On Sunday we'll be considering what it would be like to travel round the world spreading the Gospel of Jesus, and what we'd pack to take with us.

**Flower Coordinator** - As there has been no response to Carol's request to replace her after 32 years, there will be intermittent, artificial or no flowers at Christ Church until a replacement is found. In managing the flower rota it is not necessarily essential to have floristry skills or arrange oneself. With only seven volunteers on the rota currently, please consider putting your name forward if we are to have a weekly flower display. The more people there are, the less often you do them! Please contact Carol or Melanie for more information about managing the rota or volunteering (or both!). Thank you.

**Parish Giving Scheme** - Recently we sent an invitation about the Church of England's Parish Giving Scheme to those registered to receive emails. To understand how it works go to the website [www.parishgiving.org.uk/](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk/), or talk to the office and/or PCC members. There are paper leaflets and forms in both churches. We'll also send the email again.

**Festival Finale** - Congratulations to our junior organ scholar, Robert Cunningham, who was one of two dozen performers (out of over a thousand Festival entrants!) selected to take part in the Gala Showcase concert at the end of the Reigate & Redhill Festival last week, following his earlier performance in front of the organ class adjudicator.

**Parish Office** - The office will be closed June 1-5 incl. If you need urgent assistance during this time, please contact the churchwardens.

**The Chosen** - The second screening will be on Tuesday 2 June, 7.30pm, in Christ Church.

**Fellowship Group** - The next meeting will be in Christ Church at 10.30am on Wednesday 3 June.

**Peace & Contemplation** - 'The Wonder of Faith' on Thursday 4 June, 8pm, at Christ Church. Join us for an hour of peace with inspiring readings, beautiful music and reflective silence. Enjoy this time to relax.

**Youth Group** - For our June meeting next Friday, we'll be solving clues to discover the history of Christ Church and it's importance to the history of the British monarchy.

**Book Group** - We'll discuss *The Life and Death of St Kilda* by Tom Steel at our next meeting on Monday 8 June. The author tells the story of a tiny and inhospitable island beyond the Outer Hebrides and of the people for whom it was home. All are welcome to join in or listen to the discussion.

**Music on the Green** - Join us on Wednesday 17 June, 1.15pm, to enjoy our next monthly lunchtime concert, which is planned to be jazz-focused. Our renowned light lunch will be available from 12.30pm

**Churchwarden's Visitation Service** - Our elected Churchwardens, Will Stevens and Fraser McGuicken, will be authorised in their role at a visitation service on Monday 22 June, 7.30pm, at St John's Church, West Byfleet, KT14 6EH. Everyone can attend.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Michael Newbould, Gilly Barrett, Jim Green, George Raine, Katherine S, Keith Howell-Jones, John Cheetham, Sebastian, David Gerrard, Katie Clark, Louise Tyzack, Caroline Kerr, Armand Sarkissian, Phoebe Ainsworth, Josh Baines, Brian Elliott, John Stacey, Gudrun & David Jensen, Paul Nicholls

RIP Anniversaries: Christopher Arnold, Linda Alderwick, Pamela Parry, Maureen Tkach, Leslie King, John Knight, Dennis Body, David Archer, John Marshall

RIP: Gloria Cox, Elspeth Fraser

Banns of Marriage: William Peter Gains & Elspeth Grace Louise Allen  
Lewis Paul Casserley & Hannah Louise Relfe

## BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Readings for Morning Prayer taken from the Church of England Lectionary.

	June	Time	Reading
Monday	1		1 Samuel 2.1-10, Ps 85, Mark 3.31-end
Tuesday	2		Joshua 7.16-end, Ps 5, Luke 10.38-end
Wednesday	3		Joshua 8.1-29, Ps 119.1-32, Luke 11.1-13
Thursday	4	10am	Joshua 8.30-end, Ps 15, Luke 11.14-28
Friday	5		Joshua 9.3-26, Ps 19, Luke 11.29-36

## LOOKING AHEAD

	May	Time	Event
Sunday	31	9am	Holy Communion, St George's
		10.30am	Parish Communion, Christ Church
June		Time	Event
Monday	1	All day	Parish Office closed (June 1-5 incl.)
		7.15pm	Choir practice
Tuesday	2	7.30pm	Screening of The Chosen, Christ Church
Wednesday	3	10.30am	Fellowship Group, Christ Church
		7.30pm	Bellringing practice, Christ Church
Thursday	4	10am	Morning Prayer, Zoom
		8pm	Peace & Contemplation, Christ Church
Friday	5	5.30pm	Youth Group

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