

For your prayers: <u>Willen membership</u>	<u>Street Cycle of Prayer</u>
Rachel Read Brian Rollings Carolyn Rollings	The Hooke Thursby Close Tuffnell Close Venables Lane

Prayers for the Sick: Stuart Bowden, Nigel Cross Malcolm Field, Ena Fisher, Eddie Flitney, Terry Foley, Terance Gayle, Mary Hartwell, Billy McCullough, Barbara Saunders, Kirstie Wayland, Fiona Wright

World prayers: Peaceful Iranian Presidential election

RIP – David Eacott

Prayer cycle: view here - <http://www.missionpartnership.org.uk>

Themes for Prayer:	Areas of Milton Keynes	Villages
Faith Communities	Wolverton	Lathbury
Inclusion and Diversity	Fenny Stratford	Little Linford
Armed Forces	Water Eaton	Hardmead
Mission Partnership	Future Development of City	Deanshanger and
Local Government	Bletchley	Newton Longville
Emergency Services	Central Milton Keynes	Cold Brayfield
Children and Parents	Watling Valley (West MK)	Stoke Goldington
		Warrington

Other notices: Rev Andy Jowitt Retirement

Andy & Jane pass on their news that Andy will take early retirement in the autumn for them together to take up the volunteer role of Community Engagement Officer for a small nature reserve owned by A Rocha. A Rocha is a Christian conservation charity helping people to 'care for God's earth'. The reserve is called Foxearth and is on the Suffolk/Essex border near Sudbury. Andy expects his last Sunday in the Partnership to be in October and then to move in November.

BISHOP OF OXFORD'S VISIT TO MK, CHURCH OF CHRIST THE CORNERSTONE

24 May 2017; 7.30pm -9.30pm Refreshments will be served from 7pm

An Evening with Bishop Steven A presentation by Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford followed by Q&A. including dedication and Blessing of Christ the Cornerstone clock. Presentation and blessings of the 'Thy Kingdom Come' candle. MK is to be one of our new Bishop's priorities. Please note this date and plan to come along!

Hymns	14 May 2017
450 Morning has broken	
915 Who put the colours in the rainbow?	
217 God is love, let heaven adore him	
503 O Jesus I have promise	

Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership
St Mary Magdalene, Willen
Sunday: 14th May: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Today

9.30am Baptism and Communion led by Paul Smith

6.30pm Confirmation Service at Christ Church, Stantonbury. All welcome

We welcome Arthur Thirakomratch and his family and friends for his baptism this morning.

Banns are being read today for Emma Moden and Ray McGill-Hall; Everol Fox-Elvy and Amanda Fox

This week:

Wednesday 2pm Communion at Lovat Fields Retirement Village

Friday 2.30pm Funeral in Willen Church.

Saturday 9.30am to 4pm Partnership Prayer Pilgrimage

Calling at Willen 1-2pm. Please be here to welcome visitors and/or join us for the last leg of the pilgrimage to Cross and Stable.

Notices: Partnership Pilgrimage

Please join us for all or part of this event aimed to help the members of Stantonbury Partnership get to know each other and to pray for our churches and communities. Full details available on the noticeboard.

Start 9.15am at St Lawrence, Bradwell and finished about 4pm with prayer and tea and Cross and Stable. Visiting at Willen around 1-2pm. If you are unable to join us walking, please consider being at Willen Church to welcome visitors and join in short prayer with them at 1pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the entrance or contact Paul Smith.

Next Sunday 21st May: Sixth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Morning Worship led by Margaret Moakes

Readings to be advised

Ministers • Websites • Notice Sheet

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Please email short and succinct notices to willenchurchnotices@hotmail.co.uk

Sunday 14 May 2017, Fifth Sunday of Easter

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

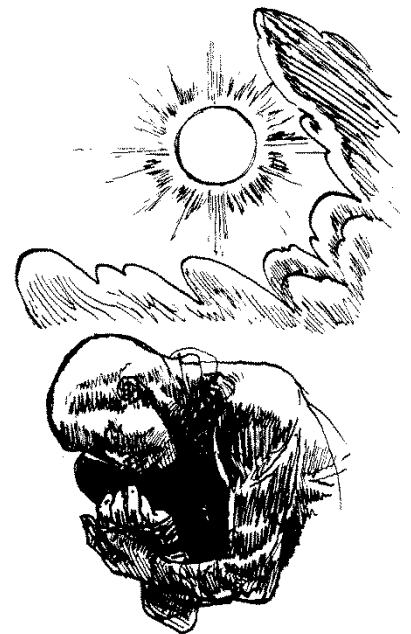
NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 7:55-60

But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."

At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him, dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he fell on his knees and cried out, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he fell asleep.



Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING *John 14:1-14*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

