

SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2026

10AM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE (FORDHAM CHURCH)

What is The Message of Jesus' Ascension to Heaven?

(Acts 1:1-14) Leading & Teaching: Francis Blight



10AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY CLUB

Children and young people begin with their
parents/carers in the main service.

Luke Group (4-11 years) *Faith Speaks (James 3:2-12)*

Matthew Group (11-16s) *Rejoicing (Philippians)*

9:35AM PRAYING FOR THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Join us to pray for the ministry of God's Word through
his Spirit. We meet by the pulpit. All Welcome.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR
A DRINK AND CHAT AFTER THE SERVICE.**



WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you are new to All Saints Church, we are glad you have joined us today
and hope you enjoy your time with us. You are invited to fill in the
green **Welcome Card** so that we can be in touch to say 'hello'.

These are available from the table by the entrance.

TODAY'S TEACHING

What is The Message of Jesus'

Ascension to Heaven?

Acts 1:1-14 page 1092

Ephesians 1:15-23 page 1173



Key Events in Jesus' Life

Calendar	Christmas Day	Good Friday	Easter Day	Ascension Day	Advent
Event	Birth/ Incarnation	Death	Resurrection	Ascension to Heaven	Return as Judge and King
Symbol	Manger	Cross	Crown		

CHURCH OF ENGLAND THIRTY NINE ARTICLES (1571)

Article 4. Of the Resurrection of Christ

“Christ did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the perfection of Man's nature; wherewith he **ascended into Heaven**, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all Men at the last day.”

CHURCH DIARY

Sunday 17th May, 4.15-6.00pm **Baptism & Confirmation Prep #5**
Final session with Francis at the Rectory, Wood Lane.

Monday 18th May, 7:45 - 9.15pm **Christianity Explored**
Contact Aëlla if you would like to join in 07729 173504.

Tuesday 19th May, 9-11am **Babies and Toddlers** (John Owen Barn).
Play, snack, bible story and song time. £2.00 suggested donation.

Thursday 21st May, 12.30pm **Doris Beard's Funeral** at
Fordham Church followed by her burial at Eight Ash Green and
a reception at The Cricketeers on Spring Lane. Rev'd Mike
Neville will give the sermon and Francis will lead the service
and burial. Family flowers only. Donations to support Children
with Cancer Great Ormond Street.



ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN CHURCH
COMMUNITY HUB
At The John Owen Barn
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Friday Mornings
In The Cart
Lodge &
John Owen Barn
1st Friday of every month
Refill Shop - Fresh Bakes & Cakes - Cheese and Pie Man
Meats & Pies - Craft stalls
Bishop - 143pm
Post Office
Have a coffee, cake and chat

Friday 22nd May, **Community Hub Café** (10:00am-1:00pm) &
Post Office (11:45am -1:45pm) at the John Owen Barn.

Friday 22nd May, 7.30 - 9.00pm, **421 Youth Group for 11-18 year olds** (John
Owen Barn). Table games, team games, craft, tuck shop, Bible teaching,
discussion and prayer. <https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/421-youth-group/>

Saturday 23rd May, 9am **Monthly Women's Breakfast** (John Owen Barn).
The team - Grace, Georgina and Victoria - would love you to join them for a
relaxed hour of continental breakfast, fellowship, and conversation as we
continue our series exploring The Wonders of Grace. Suggested donation
£3. To help us with catering, please let Grace know if you are able to come
gracekerr@birketts.co.uk or 07881 822432.

Sunday 24th May 10am **Pentecost Sunday Service** (Fordham Church)
The Holy Spirit Empowers Jesus' Apostles For Witness (Acts 2:1-21) with
All Saints Club groups for 4-16 year olds.

On the 7th June we will be starting a teaching series on the New Testament
book of James.

MRS HAZEL MARTIN - PLEASE PRAY FOR FORDHAM SCHOOL

It is with sadness that we let you know that Mrs Martin died on Friday 8th May after a long battle with cancer. She had worked on the school staff as a High Level Teaching Assistant for 25 years. Please pray for the school community as they grieve for her: staff, pupils, parents and her husband Denny who works supporting the school site manager.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GIVING TO FEAG CHURCH

The PCC endeavor to keep the number of people who know details of financially giving to church, to a minimum. Over the last few years, only Victoria Rolfe (Treasurer) and Linda Stenner (Finance Administrator) have been privy to this info. With Linda finishing last week, Roger Miles (Church warden and former treasurer) and Karen van den Broek (Church Administrator) may now need to see this information. Part of the reason for this is that the accounts data is about to be transferred to a new software package (ExpensePlus) to improve office efficiency. The rest of the PCC and the Rector do not have any knowledge of your financial giving.

GIVING TO THE WORK OF ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you would like details of how to support our church ministry financially, or you have any questions about giving, please speak to our treasurer Victoria Rolfe or send her an email victoria.emma.rolfe@gmail.com
Bank Account Name: "FORDHAM AND EAG PCC"
Sort Code 20-22-67 Account Number 20369047.

THIS CHURCH IS PART OF THE EBBSFLEET NETWORK: As part of the Church of England, we have passed a resolution requesting the extended spiritual and pastoral care of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet, Rt Rev Dr Rob Munro. Bishop Rob supports churches who have requested their Diocesan Bishop to provide for their evangelical and complementarian convictions - that is their commitment to the authority of the Bible, to direct the life of the Church and express the equal but different roles of men and women in family and Church.

<https://www.bishopofebbsfleet.org>

SAFEGUARDING: We, as a church, are committed to safeguarding children, young people, victims/perpetrators of domestic abuse and vulnerable adults. The PCC has adopted the Church of England's policies and best practice on safeguarding which may be found on the Church of England's website: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org>

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is Ann Rolfe who can be contacted on 07968 087726, ann.rolfe@fordhamchurch.org.uk

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