

Thought for the day

“The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire.”

Ferdinand Foch

The Gift of Year's with Susan Collier and Linda Sykes continues on Sunday 18th and 25th May. This forthcoming session (18th May) will start at 1.00pm and finish at 3pm with NO break for lunch.

Bakers' Basket We would be most grateful for caster sugar, chocolate bars, sunflower oil, eggs, baking margarine & light brown sugar. Many thanks.

Annual leave both the Parish Secretary and our Caretaker will be taking annual leave Monday 2nd – Friday 6th June 2025 inclusive. Many thanks to those who have offered so we only need Thursday 5th June to be covered. Thank you in advance.

Felting workshop – Saturday 14th June – join Sally to make a collection of wet felted soaps & drying balls. 10am – 1pm. £30 including demonstration & refreshments. Tel: 07761480598.

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Following Jesus, we are Called to be Caring, Committed and Courageous.

Hello and welcome to St Edward's Church

Services

Sunday 18th May – 5th Sunday of Easter

8.30am No Service

10.00am All Age Communion followed by the APCM

President: The Revd Dr Susan Collier

Preacher: The Revd Canon Richard Carew

Acts 11: 1-18

John 13: 31-35

Thursday 22nd May

10.00am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew

Preacher: The Revd Anna Burr

Acts 15: 7-21

John 15: 9-11

Sunday 25th May – 6th Sunday after Easter

8.30 Holy Communion

President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew

Preacher: Prof Alister Burr

10.00 Holy Communion

President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew

Preacher: Prof Alister Burr

15.00 Baptism

President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew

Acts 16: 9-15

John 14: 23-29

Church Opening Times Monday 19th - Friday 23rd May

Monday 1.30-3.00pm, Tuesday 9.30-3.00pm

Wednesday 1.30-3.00pm, Thursday 11.00am – 3.00pm

Friday 12.30-3.00pm

Monday 19th	9.30am-12.00 1.30-4.00pm	Café open
	10.00-12.00	Needlecraft Group
Tuesday 20th	9.30am-12.00 1.30-4.00pm	Café open
	10.00-11.00am	Exercise for Fitness
	10.30-11.30am	Happy Hour
	7.30-9.30pm	Alpha Course part 3
Wednesday 21st	9.30am-12.00 1.30- 4.00pm	Café open
	12.00	Praying in Company
	2.00-3.00pm	Wednesday Afternoon Small Group
	7.00- 8.30pm	Youth Group
	8.30-9.00pm	Pret a Manger Distribution
Thursday 22nd	9.30am-12.00 1.30- 4.00pm	Café open
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am-12.00	Exercise for Fitness
Friday 23rd	9.30am-12.00	Café open
	10.30am - 12.00 noon	Little Ted's
	12.00-2.00pm	Friday Lunch

Parish Office Email The Parish Secretary (Wendy) and the Assistant Parish Secretary (Louise) now share one email address

parishsecretary@stedsdringhouses.org



Alpha Course continues Tuesday 20th May 2025 at 7.30pm. Sign-up forms are at the back of Church and on the coffee tables in the Café area.

New Electoral Roll 2025 Following the preparation of the new Roll, please check that your name is now on the Roll displayed at the back of Church.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be this **Sunday 18 May 2025 in church following the 10.00 Service**, which will be the only service that day. Please attend if possible. There are two meetings - the first is devoted to electing the two Churchwardens to serve from that date until the meeting next year. The second meeting includes electing people to serve on the Parochial Church Council (PCC). There are currently **twelve** vacancies on the PCC, **five** representatives to serve for three years, **three** to serve for two years and **four** to serve for one year. These are very important roles as Trustees of the church. Please do consider standing for election to the PCC to make important decisions for the future of the church. Nomination forms are available on the website or by email from pcc@stedsdringhouses.org. Paper copies are available from the Parish Office. The Agenda and papers for the meeting will be available on the website and paper copies in Church from the beginning of May.

Dringhouses Memories is planned for Friday 13th June 10.30-11.30.

Garage Sale Saturday 28th June 2025, 10.00am – 4.00pm at 16 Alness Drive (Louise & Roy). Donations welcome of household items, toiletries, books, plants & small items of furniture. Refreshments will be served and there will be a raffle. In aid of St Leonard's Hospice. Tel: 705479 for further information.

 **MIDSUMMER MUSIC**  **Friday June 20th, 7.30pm** Returning for Midsummer Music are York University 'Mastersingers' student ensemble. Many will recall their scintillating December performance to a full church. Again there will be no charge, no tickets required, but a retiring offering will be available. This will help towards funding for the singers to hold international scholarships for two choral courses in Canada. The choral repertoire will include songs ancient, modern and in-between. A cornucopia of harmony and vocal delights! A lovely evening is guaranteed. Don't miss this Summer Solstice Serenade of song.

Carecent Summer Appeal – throughout June, the blue tubs will be back in the café area. Carecent (the York Homeless Charity St Edward's supports), are appealing particularly for socks and new underwear, razors (they have plenty of shaving foam), deodorant, spam & baked beans. If you can donate any of these items, they will be gratefully received. Thank you.

Thank-you to everyone who contributed to the success of the cake stall for **Christian Aid** last Sunday. Thanks especially to the bakers. Their contributions were gratefully received and eaten! £241.69 was raised. Many thanks.

Toy cleaning! – have you got a couple of hours to spare on Friday 6th June 1.00 - 3.00pm? As part of National Volunteering Week, we are asking if you could pop along and help to clean all of the children's toys. Please contact Helen Cross or Sally Gatus. Thank you.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God,
 who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
 have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
 grant that, as by your grace going before us
 you put into our minds good desires,
 so by your continual help
 we may bring them to good effect;
 through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

(or)

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.

Acts 11: 1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³ saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the

house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’

¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

John 13: 31-35

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God,
 whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
 grant us to walk in his way,
 to rejoice in his truth,
 and to share his risen life;
 who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen