

**MONDAY
11 MAY**

Acts 14:5-18
**Psalm 118:1-3.
14-15**
John 14:21-26

**TUESDAY
12 MAY**

Acts 14:19-end
Psalm 145:10-end
John 14:27-end

**WEDNESDAY
13 MAY**

Acts 15:1-6
Psalm 122:1-5
John 15:1-8

**THURSDAY
14 MAY**

**Matthias the
Apostle**
**Isaiah 22:15-end
or Acts 1:15-end**
Psalm 15
**Acts 1:15-end or 1
Corinthians 4:1-7**
John 15:9-17

**FRIDAY
15 MAY**

Acts 15:22-31
Psalm 57:8-end
John 15:12-17

**SATURDAY
16 MAY**

Acts 16:1-10
Psalm 100
John 15:18-21

REFLECTION

What's the gift for the world that Jesus says he will leave? It's not a special secret, it's not a recipe for success or even a programme of government. If Jesus shares in the deepest being of God then the invitation to all creation is to "abide", to rest, in that place. The word for such a state of peace is *shalom* in Hebrew, and *salaam* in Arabic. It has a much bigger meaning than our understanding of the word "peace". It has within it the idea of the fullness of life, the wholeness, not just of the individual but of the community to which we belong. It is not a selfish peace. The image of the vine grafted onto a vigorous rootstock points to the peace of God as a relational, active process and so much more than a passive peacefulness that is half asleep. Then comes the commandment to "love one another" and the hint that such abiding, such active peace and love, won't necessarily lead to worldly approval but may provoke the opposite reaction. Peacemakers of this godly kind are not kept immune from those who hate, as many have found.



PRAYER

God of love and delight,
when we try for an easy peace and a quick fix of the
problems of our communities,
lead us into that deeper peace that
comes from abiding in you.
As we are grafted into the lively wholeness of the
true vine,
so may this world and the whole of creation also
find peace.

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GODPARENTING

PART III –
A TWO-WAY RELATIONSHIP

The Church of England recommends that every child has at least three godparents, who must be baptised themselves, and ideally also confirmed. The guidance found on the C of E's website advises that, in essence, a godparent should:

- encourage their godchild to develop Christian values of kindness, compassion and generosity, and to take a stand against injustice and suffering;
- pray for the godchild through the ups and downs of life and faith;
- show their godchild how to make good practical choices concerning health, peer pressure and caring for the environment;
- help them to learn more about the Christian faith, through their church and in other ways;
- go to church with them, talk about the Bible and help them learn to pray.

That's quite a tall order, involving a godparent in their godchild's spiritual, emotional and material well-being. One godparent – let's call her Jen – encapsulates how worthwhile godparenting can be if it's grasped with both hands:

"I had only been to church a couple of times in my life and I don't have kids myself, so I was daunted to say the least when Kate, who's a single mum, asked me to be godmother to her new baby, Marcus. How scary is that? Now my gorgeous godson is eighteen, has a girlfriend and is just starting an apprenticeship. It's been an amazing experience growing up with him – and I don't say that lightly.

"Kate had a cancer scare a few years ago and she asked me to tell Marcus what was going on. He was just twelve at the time and you can imagine how terrified I was. But it's amazing how you find the words when you need them. It completely choked me to pray for his mum with him, but we did it. She's fine now, thank God. One day I'll let Marcus know that being a godparent to him has helped me to grow up every bit as much, if not more, than I've helped him. It's not something to be taken lightly, but I highly recommend it."

LIVE
the WORD

SUSTAINING YOU
THROUGH THE WEEK

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Fifth week of Easter

Monday 11 May to
Saturday 16 May
2020

WEEK

**The Priory Church of the Holy Trinity, Micklegate,
York
Weekly Pew Sheet (10th May to 16th May)**

The church building is closed, and there are no acts of public worship at the moment due to the coronavirus outbreak.

During this time, we have two ways you can join in prayer services from home or work – see below. For those at home, the weekly pew sheet and service book will be posted to you. If you have internet access, [both are available online](#).

You can join from 5 minutes before the start time.

To help with audio/sound quality, we are changing how you join by telephone. We hope this will address the feedback we have received.

To join by calling from your telephone

Please see the details under each service. Dial the number and when asked the meeting ID. Calls to 03 numbers cost no more than a national rate call to a 01 or 02 number and must count towards any inclusive minutes in the same way as 01 and 02 calls.

To join if you have internet access

Go to our Facebook page [Holy Trinity York](#) and watch the video. Once you are on the page, click on 'live video'.

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In the week ahead, lookout for a new Worship at Home booklet where we will use a mixture of Book of Common Prayer and services from Mirfield

Sunday 10th May– Holy Communion at 11am

Dial-in number: 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 234 796 177

[Join from your computer, smartphone or tablet](#)

See separate service sheet

Monday 11th May – Compline at 7pm

Dial-in number: 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 996 4371 7243

[Join from your computer, smartphone or tablet](#)

Readings: Psalm 4; Matthew 11: 28-30

Music: Taizé – Hear our prayer and Kyrie

Wednesday 13th May – Coffee morning 10am-11am

As we are all in our homes, our coffee morning is now on Zoom and telephone. Come along and catch up with everyone.

[Join from your computer, smartphone or tablet](#)

Dial-in number: 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 788 838 668

Wednesday 13th May – Midday Prayer at 12.15pm

Dial-in number: 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 159 391 586

[Join from your computer, smartphone or tablet](#)

Readings: Psalm 118: 14-24; John 6: 39

Music: Taizé – Bless the Lord and Gloria