#### MAY COLLECT

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,

Ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love,

and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Common Worship Lectionary Readings for May 2024 (Year B)

5 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 10.44-48	White or
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	John 15.9-17	Gold
Rogation Sunday		
9th May	Acts 1.1-11	White of
Ascension Day	Luke 24.44-53	Gold
Thursday		
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 1.15-17,21-26	White or
7th Sunday of Easter	John 17.6-19	Gold
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 2.1-21	Red
Pentecost	John 15.26-27;16.4b-15	
Whit Sunday		
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Romans 8.12-17	White or
Trinity Sunday	John 3.1-17	Gold

### **Dates for your Diary**

 $4^{th}-12^{th}\ May-Wardington$  — Williamscot Art Group work exhibiting in Church as part of the Oxfordshire Arts Week

**10**<sup>th</sup> **May – Mollington.** Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon – Village Hall.

**23<sup>rd</sup> May – Claydon Church Rooms** – 7.15 pm Benefice meeting for Wardens, Treasurers/Secretaries

8<sup>th</sup> June – Cropredy – Church Fete 12.30 pm at The Old Manor, Station Road.



#### **MAY 2024**

St James the Great, Claydon, St Mary the Virgin, Cropredy All Saints, Great Bourton, All Saints, Mollington St Mary Magdalene, Wardington

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#### **Services for May 2024**

5th May 6th Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday					
Claydon	Visiting Sunday				
Cropredy	9.30 am	All Age Family Communion`	SF/SU		
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	All Age All Saints Sunday	SF/SU/Team		
Mollington	Visiting Sunday				
Wardington	Visiting Sunday				
9th May Ascension Day					
Gt. Bourton	7.00 pm	Holy Communion	SF		
12th May 7th Sunday of Easter					
Claydon	4.00 pm	Bee Kind Songs of Praise	SF		
Cropredy	10.30 am	All Age Morning Worship	SF		
Gt. Bourton	Visiting Sunday				
Mollington	9.00 am	Holy Communion	SF		
Wardington	10.30 am	All Age Family Service	SU		
19th May Pentecost Whit Sunday					
Claydon	Visiting Sunday				
Cropredy	10.00 am	All Age Seeker Service	SC/RC (SF)		
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF		
Mollington	Visiting Sunday				
Wardington	Visiting Sunday				
26 <sup>th</sup> May Trinity Sunday					
Claydon	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF/SU		
Cropredy	Visiting Sunday				
Gt Bourton	Visiting Sunday				
Mollington	6.00 pm	Hymns & Pimms	SF		
Wardington	9.30 am	Family Communion	SF/SU		

**Morning Prayer** at 9am – Monday The Bourtons; Tuesday Claydon; Wednesday Cropredy; Thursday Mollington; Friday Wardington.

Not been to Morning Prayer yet? It's a very good way to start the day, to pray for our villages, those in need, and the world, and to share in a little fellowship together at the start of the day.

**Benefice Holy Communion** Cropredy 12 noon each Tuesday. Everyone is welcome. It's quiet and 30mins in length, an oasis of drawing near to God in the middle of the day.

## Exploring the Christian Basics Together Begins Monday Evening May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. At The Vicarage.

An informal time of open discussion for adults exploring the basics of the Christian faith beginning with: Believing in God, and why we need God in our lives. No question is off the table, and anyone who'd like to can drop in for the evening.

We continue May 20<sup>th</sup> looking at the life of Jesus, and thereafter in June. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Community Consultation** about the Church Rooms in Cropredy If you receive the Crier you will see we have begun to consult widely about the Church Rooms and Church development in Cropredy. An electronic version should have come to you if you receive Benefice emails.

Please do complete an audit too, as your voice and input matters too!

#### A suggestion...

May is a time between Ascension Day and Pentecost to pray for the Holy Spirit. You may like to take the May Collect (overleaf) as a special prayer for your life, for the church and world, in this season. Rev'd Sarah.