

St Richard's News & Prayers 3 -9 May 2026

Sunday 3 May – Morning Service– 10.45am

Phil 1v27-30 Team Jesus: Striving together

Sam Shearn preaching and Pete Winstone leading

Notices

Administrator. We are delighted that Hannah Hyde has been appointed as our Administrator to serve the mission and ministry of St Richard's. Pray for her as she prepares to start on 18th May.

Going for Growth Stage 2 project: Response to the 'Going for Growth Stage 2' appeal has been very encouraging. Sunday 3 May is the last day for financial pledges. See leaflet or online at tinyurl.com/g4gstage2.

Bishop Martin retires at the end of May, Have your say in the appointment at tinyurl.com/next-bishop, open until May 26th. All responses welcome.

What's on this week...

Tuesday 5th Little Seeds Toddler Group, 10am - 12pm

Come for a taster session, just give Sarah a call

Wednesday 6th

Midday Prayer, 12pm in the Lounge

An informal time to reflect on the Sunday sermon and pray together.

Thursday 7th 7.30pm@ All Saints – JOINT St Richard's and All Saints APCM

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting is a time to look back with thanks and look forward with hope. Prayer, praise, reflection and some formal business, accounts etc. too.

Friday 8th

Ladies bible study, 10:15 -11.30am in the Lounge

An hour together to grow in faith. For more information contact the church office.

Coming Up....

10th May

Phil 2v1-10

Team Jesus (Wk5): The humble mindset

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| 17 th May | Phil 2v12-18 | Team Jesus (Wk6): Humble living |
| 24 th May | Phil 2:19-30 | Team Jesus (Wk7): Humble examples |
| 31 st May | Phil 3:1-11 | Team Jesus (Wk8): The Jesus mindset |

Joint All Saints and St Richards monthly Kids Groups. Tues 5th May - 4:30pm.

Heroes (yrs F-2) pirate party book tinyurl.com/hero5may

Adventurers (yrs 3-6) Pizza party tinyurl.com/adventurer5may

Connect restarts Monday 18th May – kids and family’s group to the local area, in partnership with Forest Fold. Talk to John Fuller for more information or to get involved.

Church Family Lunch – Sunday 31st May – Straight after the service. Details to follow.

FEST – 26-28 June, our annual Church Family camping weekend, is coming up. Camp for the weekend or come as a day visitor. Fun, Family, Food, Faith. Book at tinyurl.com/festbooking

St Richard’s Church Family Prayers

Sun 3 May. Give thanks for the power of God’s word to give us life (2 Tim 3v15). Pray for Sam Shearn as he preaches for us and for our hearts to be soft to what God is saying.

Mon 4 May. Give thanks for our link with the Alderbrook Association and the Community Café next week. Pray for strong collaboration and opportunities to bless our community.

Tue 5 May. Give thanks for those that serve on the St Richard’s interim Management Team. Pray for wise and Christ-centred thinking as the team meeting this evening.

Wed 6 May. Pray for God’s will to be done at the local elections tomorrow and that as people come into the church to vote that they would consider coming back on a Sunday.

Thurs 7 May. Pray for joint All Saints and St Richard’s APCM tonight. Pray for us all to rejoice in God’s faithfulness over the past year and trust Him that this will continue in 2026.

Fri 8 May. Give thanks for our Mission Partner World in Need. Pray for safety and gospel hope at Hope School in DRC after a violent attack last month.

Sat 9 May. Give thanks that Connect is due to restart on the 18th May. Pray for John Fuller and the team as they plan, especially for invites to local families to go out.

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