

ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON BULLETIN

Sunday 7th May 2023, 5th Sunday of Easter, King Charles III Coronation



Dear Friends, As I write this, it is sunny in deepest, Southwest Cornwall, close to the seaside where my mother lives a mile from St. Ives. The view of the rolling fields from the window is glorious and my hope is to see once again, the rare Golden Oriole bird, about the size of a blackbird but largely yellow in colour, that frequents this spot and is very hard to see as it flies high and rarely keeps still! How joyous it is to experience these wonders of God's creation.

This weekend of course, marks another joyous and important time in the life of the UK and Commonwealth with the Coronation of King Charles III. I have always been a monarchist, especially as my father's most recent employer for a decade, before retirement, as I was growing up, was the late Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace. I will be watching the service on Saturday 6th with all the associated choral music, pomp and pageantry, undoubtedly good for one's soul and spiritual wellbeing.

We are still in the season of Easter when Christ was crowned King of the Jews. Of course, a totally different type of Coronation with much pain, suffering and despair borne by our Lord on that cross to take away the sins of each one of us...but to rise again gloriously on that Easter morn, triumphant in majesty and power.

King Charles' destiny has always been to be king, to serve and lead the nation and Commonwealth with diligence, sincerity, and truth just as his late mother did so brilliantly for 70 years! I am sure he will be successful in this goal. Our Lord's destiny was always death in the most cruel, degrading, and humiliating fashion for the sake of each of us, securing eternal life for all those who commit to him, before rising gloriously to sit at the right hand of God the Father. What links the two? I suggest commitment and dedication to the cause of what is right, good and proper in the sight of God.

Take this opportunity to evaluate your life! If you consider yourself a Christian, be honest, and ask yourself whether you are practising the highest level of dedication and commitment to your Lord and Saviour as you possibly can, for the love of him. Hopefully, one would have done this in Lent just past, but it is an ongoing process! If not, it's time to re-dedicate and re-commit, just as King Charles is about to do for the remainder of his life, in service to God and to his subjects.

A very happy Coronation to you. **Qyan**

COMING UP AT ST DENYS THIS WEEK:

Thursday 4th May 2pm Bellringer's Service in church

Friday 5th & 12th 10am Musical Toddlers meets in the parish centre

Saturday 6th from 9.30am showing King Charles III Coronation church and parish centre

Sunday 7th 10am Matins with hymns in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password available from Qyan)

Sunday 7th 3pm Café Church Communion meet in the parish centre

Tuesday 9th 7.30pm Cruse Bereavement Group in church & parish centre

Wednesday 10th 10am Evington Family History Group in the parish centre

Friday 12th 7.30pm Youth Club in the parish centre



Morning Prayer Monday—Thursday 9am in church

Open Church every Thursday 9am—12 noon Holy Communion (said BCP) at 10am, free refreshments and use of church wifi

This beautiful flower arrangement was created by Kimberley to celebrate the Coronation. Kimberley took up floristry at the start of the year.



Readings for Sunday 7th May 2023: Acts 7 vs 55—end, 36-41; John 14 vs 1-14



King Charles III Coronation Saturday 6th May. Don't forget, the service will be shown in full on the big screen in St. Denys, for all those who would like to see it in the company of others. St. Denys will be open from 9.30am with tea, cake and other refreshments being served. Donations of the latter appreciated!

Coronation Celebration We hope to have the bells ringing in celebration before the 3pm Service on Sunday 7th May, thanks to Chris Rudge and ringers from Oadby. If you would like to find out more about the biblical and theological roots of the coronation rite and what it means in a pluralistic society, there is an informative new podcast called *The Crown Uncovered* which you can listen to here:

<https://thecrownuncovered.buzzsprout.com>

Safeguarding at St. Denys A few months ago, an email from Qyan was sent on my behalf requesting people who hold a role in church, especially being on the PCC and Churchwardens, to be DBS checked. So far, I have two people outstanding for the PCC. The people that run groups can now have a Basic Check done so everyone is covered within our church.

I am willing to do the checks at home or come to church when you are at the group, this would be quicker than carrying out the checks on a Sunday. I know Monday and Tuesday are fine until I start to play in the Bowls County matches. Please give me a call on **0116 2414051** or email janpears13@aol.com. Remember we want a safe church for all in our community. **Janette Pearson**

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) The APCM will take place on Sunday 28th May at 4.30pm in St. Denys Church after the Café Church service. Everyone is very welcome to this review of 2022 and to elect churchwardens and PCC members for the coming year. If you are interested in joining the PCC, please do speak to Anthony, Gerry, Elizabeth or any of the PCC to find out more. The PCC will be key in the coming year or two to making important decisions about St Denys' place within the Minster Community framework being rolled out across the diocese.



Prayers for the Coronation

For Charles our King, that you may pour upon him abundant gifts to help him fulfil the promises made at his coronation:

That he will have the grace, wisdom, and strength to live a life of service to you and to his people:

That he will seek to uphold the values of love, joy and peace, and always seek to follow you, our heavenly King:

That he may lead with patience, kindness and generosity, governing with humility and with a servant heart:

That in being anointed for service to his God and his people, you may bless him with faithfulness, gentleness and self-control:

For Camilla the Queen Consort, William Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and all the Royal Family;

that they may love and support the King as he bears the burden of his office:

Collect for the 5th Sunday of Easter 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.

Pray for the sick: Ann Bennett, Mick Clay, Ann Dixon, Gwilym Edmonson-Jones, Roy Hammond, Marion Heygate, Roman Orzel, Suzanne Watson **Pray for those who mourn** including the family and friends of Barbara Blohm, John Coltman, Brigid Hudson, Robert Warwick.



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St. Denys website, including the Giving Links for Church and Youth Work:

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