

**Collect.**

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church inspired by their teaching and example and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God world without end.

**A reading from the book of Acts (Acts 12:1-11)**

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, "Fasten your belt and put on your sandals." He did so. Then he said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." Peter went out and followed him; he did not realise that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting."

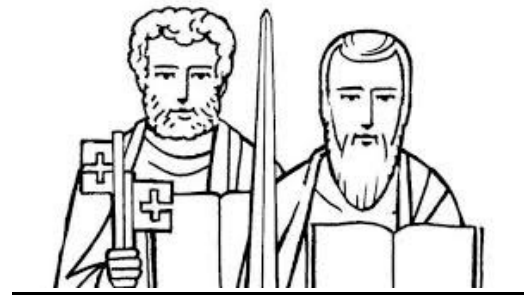
**PSALM 125: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad!****A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy. (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18)**

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me

the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (Matthew 16:13-19)**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

**Post Communion.**

O Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**HYMN NUMBERS:**

- 490 - Jesus shall reign.**
- 232 - For all the saints.**
- 375 - Amazing Grace.**
- 585 - The church's one foundation.**
- 376 - And can it be.**

**NOTICES**

**FUNERAL OF LEN HOLLIDAY**  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 12noon**  
**In the Cathedral Lady Chapel**

**UPDATE: QUIZ NIGHT TOTAL:** Thank you to all who arranged and who supported the Quiz night.  
**NEW TOTAL: raised was £592! Well Done!**

## NOTICES contd...

### SOCIAL EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

(more information later)

**Friday 24th July:** Afternoon Tea with Fizz at Julie & Mike's – 18 Elcombe Close, from 2.30-4.30pm

**TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM JULIE - £15 EACH (only 30 available)**

**Saturday 8th August:** Blues in the Rectory

**Sunday 4th October:** Harvest Lunch

**Saturday 21st November:** St. Anne's Hoedown

**December 4th-6th:** Christmas Tree Festival and Fair

### ST. ANNE'S GIVING MONTHS

#### **OUR FIRST GIVING MONTH CONTINUES**

**THIS SUNDAY.** Thank you to those who have contributed so generously. The Red Box will be out at St. Anne's for the next two weeks and then vouchers will be purchased and given to East Wittering school for distribution

### REGULAR EVENTS:

#### BIBLE STUDY:

MONDAYS – 2.00pm at St. Anne's church

#### QUIET PRAYER "PEACE ADVENTURE":

SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, at Wind Demons, West Brack Drive from 2pm-4pm & 7pm to 8pm

#### HEAR HERE CLINIC: 11-12noon

FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH  
ALL UNLESS OTHERWISE UPDATED

### Services this Week

All services at St. Anne's unless otherwise stated

**TUESDAY 7.00pm – Said Eucharist**

**WEDNESDAY 10.00am Said Eucharist**

*Midweek services are held in the side chapel*

### Services Next Sunday

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

5<sup>th</sup> July 2026 – Trinity 5

**8.00am Said Eucharist St. Anne's**

**9.00am Sung Eucharist Earnley**

**10.15am Sung Eucharist St. Anne's**

Readings: Zechariah 9: 9-12

Romans 7: 15-25a

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

*Please send any notices for Pews News to*

*Barbara Blundell no later than*

*WEDNESDAY EVENING.*

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## The Parishes of Earnley with East Wittering and Almodington

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We welcome all visitors to our churches.

All communicant members of Christ's church are warmly invited to receive the Sacraments. If you do not receive the sacraments then please come forward for God's Blessing. (All services are at St. Anne's unless indicated)

**28<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

### St. Peter & St. Paul

**Before the service and after the second bell, talk to God through quiet prayer and silent devotion, bringing to the Lord those events of your past week, and after the service, then talk to your friends.**

**If you are a visitor to our church,** making a donation in the collection, and you are a taxpayer, the PCC would be very grateful if you could put your donation in one of the envelopes available at the end of the pews, and sign the Gift Aid Declaration on the envelope. In this way, the Church can claim a further 25p for every £1 you give. Thank you.  
**PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "E.W.P.C.C"**

### Services today

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

**8.00am Said Eucharist St. Anne's**  
**9.00am Sung Eucharist Earnley**  
**10.15am Sung Eucharist St. Anne's**  
**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of the month – Healing & Anointing**

### Intercessions

*The sick and those who have asked of our prayers:*

Fr. John, Judy Williams, Nick Carter, Lorraine Hall, Florence Sumakoloyl, Margaret Bate, Ava Kirby, Michael Pettman, Karen Grunert, Jan Coleman and members of our congregation who may be unwell today.

*From our families and friends, we remember*

Matthew Finch, Dot Finch, Sherline Smith, Jules Pettitt, Ben, Jess and family, Trevor Couzens, Tula Hunt and her family, Kelly Saby, Robin Leney, Fred Knotts, Lizi Benjamin, Ann & Jeff Parks, Pat & John Cox, Barbara Woodley, Teddy & his family. Also, all those in our local nursing homes & rest homes, the housebound, those who care for them, and all who have been recently bereaved

*The Recently Departed*

Len Holliday, Jenny Knotts,

*Those whose years mind falls at this time*

John Cheshire, John Rusbridge, Harold Lanston, Gwen Walker, Katie Campion, May Russell, Michael Woodard, Joan Waters.