This Week:

Toddler Groups Tues & Thurs 9.30amMon11.00 Outreach MeetingTues:14.00 Bereavement CafeWeds11.00 Holy CommunionFri19.30 Choir practice

Date for the diary:

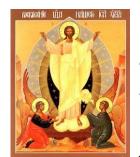
The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be taking place TODAY after the 9.45am Service. See democracy in action as you can cast your votes for Church Wardens, PCC members etc.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The 150th Anniversary Of the Enlargement of the Church An Historical Narrative by Dr Alastair K Daniel With Choral items of the period Sung by an augmented choir Conducted by BARRY EATON Accompanied by SIMON HARVEY (organ) Saturday 14th June 2025 at 7.30pm Admission by programme: £15 including refreshments All monies to Restore

Programmes on sale from today

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St John the Baptist, Malden

18th May 2025

WELCOME to this act of

worship. St John's is a Parish Church. We are here to welcome everyone in the name of Christ.

LARGE PRINT versions of the hymn book, service book and pewsheet are available.



8.00am Said Eucharist

9.45am Sung Eucharist

11.00am Annual Parochial Church Meeting

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN. HE IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA!

COLLECT: 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

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

We pray for those in particular need: Caroline, Neville, Janet, Rowan, Denis, Derek, Josie, June Rose, Monica, Pat, Alice. We pray for those who have died recently: Mary Bott.

We pray for those whose Year's Mind occurs this week: Ann Snelling, Florence Ellingham, Ines Smith, Shirley Saul, Seymour Preedy, Joseph Burkett, Joan Hodgson, George Major.

Today's hymns:

(words overleaf) Good Christians all NEH 457 The King of Love NEH 375 Lord of the dance POST-COMMUNION: Jesus, remember me (words overleaf) You shall go out with joy

Organ voluntary: Dialogue sur les grands jeux - De Grigny

FIRST HYMN

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen for ave: bring flowers of song to strew his way: let all the world rejoice and sav: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that Love, that Life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the Life restored: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Words: C A Alington (1872-1955) altd.

FIRST READING

ACTS 11:1-18

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw fourfooted animals, beasts of prev, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven. "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times: then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

SECOND READING

REVELATION 21:1-6

I. John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them: he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said. 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said. 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me. 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega. the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 13:31-35 During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said,

'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me: and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you. "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

FINAL HYMN

You shall go out with joy And be led forth with peace, And the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you. There'll be shouts of jov And the trees of the fields shall clap, shall clap their hands.

Chorus

And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And you'll go out with joy. Based on Isaiah 55:12