



Joining the global wave of prayer 25th May - 4th June 2017

I cannot remember in my life anything that I've been involved in where I have sensed so clearly the work of the Spirit.
- Archbishop Justin Welby

The nine days between Ascension and Pentecost have traditionally been a time when Christians have prayed for the coming of the Holy Spirit in the life of the world and the church and also in the lives of individuals. Last year, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York invited the Church of England to pray in those nine days for people to come to know the love of Jesus for themselves. This grew into an ecumenical and international wave of prayer, culminating in celebratory events in Cathedrals around the country holding beacon events where thousands gathered to pray and to worship God. This year, our parish is going to be part of this event and you will find overleaf ways of getting involved. There are lots of online resources and information on the website and look out for information on our Facebook page and Twitter feed (links on the right).

<http://www.thykingdomcome.global>

In our Parish:

Thursday 25th May 7.30pm St Michael's Choral Eucharist for Ascension

Taizé Prayer at 6.30pm at St Michael's on Friday 26th May.

Morning Prayer will be said at 9am in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's on Friday 26th, Tuesday 30th, Wednesday 31st May, Thursday 1st, Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd June.

Prayer Walk

Sheena will be walking between all three churches on **Saturday 27th May** and would love you to join her either by walking or by gathering with the walkers to pray at each church. A rough timetable is as follows:

Gather at St Nicolas church 9.30am where we will pray before setting off at 10am.

We will reach St Michael's (via the War Shrine and Chilworth) around **11.15am** where we will pray again before setting off for All Saints at 11.45am.

Arrive All Saints around 12.05pm for prayer, after which Sheena will host a light lunch.

Please do walk or come to a church to pray but most especially let Sheena know if you intend to stay for lunch.

In our Cathedral

Winchester Cathedral is hosting a beacon event and there will also be a Pentecost festival outside the Cathedral throughout the weekend of 3rd and 4th June with music, prayer, activities for children and all ages. The Beacon event service is at 7pm on Sunday 4th June and more information can be found on the Diocesan website.

<http://www.winchester.anglican.org/about-us/thy-kingdom-come/>

Please contact Revd Sheena Williams on 023 8076 8123 if you would like more information.

