



Sodbury Vale Benefice

Sunday 18th May Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.30am	All-Age Communion <i>Revd Jane Jones Williams with Tania Manners</i>	Chipping Sodbury
11.15am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Old Sodbury
11.15am	Morning Prayer <i>Revd Steve Abbott</i>	Horton
6.00pm	Evensong <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Little Sodbury

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11: 1 - 18
John 13: 31 - 35

Next Sunday is **Rogation Sunday**, in order to honour the ancient traditions of walking the bounds of a parish on Rogation Day we will be arranging walks to gather at Old Sodbury Church for well earned refreshments. Watch SVB mail for more details of the walks and where you can join in, depending on how far you would like to walk.



There will be a **Taize service** in St John's Church, Old Sodbury village On Saturday 31st May 2025 at 5pm.

For a simple, meditative, candlelit service with prayer, music and stillness. Everyone is welcome.

A big thank you to all who helped to put on the afternoon tea in Chipping Sodbury Church, it made just over £1000. 'Thanks so much to everyone for the contributions of cake, gifts, their time and for coming along.'

Old Sodbury church will be open for afternoon refreshments this Sunday 2.30 – 4.30pm, including for those who have done the Rogation Sunday walk.

Horton Teas will be starting on Saturday 28th June from 12 – 4.15.

News from Regenerate:- Term 5, May 2025; Last term gave us wonderful opportunities to share the resurrection story. 11 classes visited our Easter Wonder Space, and we visited 7 classes at Culverhill school. In a change from our usual action packed, fast paced Bible stories, in this term's assembly we are sharing the story of Jesus resting from Luke 5:16 and Mark 6:31-32. We will be thinking about how we can rest and be refreshed. We are filled with joy to hear stories of young people turning up at churches. This is an extract from the Bible Society's Quiet Revival report- *Large numbers of young adults, male and female, have started going to church, reading the Bible*

regularly, practising prayer and worshipping Jesus Christ as God. A new generation is finding hope in the Christian message and in established Christian communities. Paul Williams, Bible Society CEO. We give thanks that increasing numbers of young people are seeking God. Please pray for the seeds of hope Regenerate have been and will be sowing. Please pray for our assembly visits and particularly that we will be able to visit Broadway again. Give thanks for our amazing trustees and volunteers. Please pray for an increase in regular financial support and for the grant applications we have made, so that we can continue our offering to our schools next year. God bless you, Rachel & Deborah.

There will be a **Piano Recital** by Joshua Milton in St John's Chipping Sodbury on Sunday 18th May at 4.30pm, all are welcome to this free event.

Thursday, 22nd May

10.00am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Chris Mason</i>	Chipping Sodbury
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Sunday 25th May Rogation Sunday

9.30am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Chipping Sodbury
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Rogation Walks times to be confirmed, follow SVB mail for the details, to finish at Old Sodbury Church for refreshments.

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