

SUNDAYS IN MAY

- 5th 11am **Morning Service** led by Mr Tony Gibson
Preacher: Mr Antony Porter
(10am Rogation Sunday walk around village)
- 12th 11am **Morning Service with Holy Communion**
led by Rev Fred Ireland
(Followed by Sunday Prayer Focus)
- 19th 11am **Morning Service** led by Rev Richard Crippen
- 26th 11am **Morning Service** led by Rev Stephen Bywater

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Chapel Zoom on Sundays at 7.30pm

- 5th Tony Gibson – Rogation Sunday
12th Grev Parmenter - Medical Mission
19th Jenny Bywater - Pentecost
26th Rev Nola Webster

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP, 2.30 PM

- 2nd Peter Goodwin-Hudson – *Warriors of Paradise*
9th Peter Goodwin-Hudson – *Contrasting beliefs of Christianity and Islam*
16th 1 Peter – *Certain future, joyful present*
23rd 1 Peter – *Loving Christ by loving your church*
30th 1 Peter – *The greatest building*

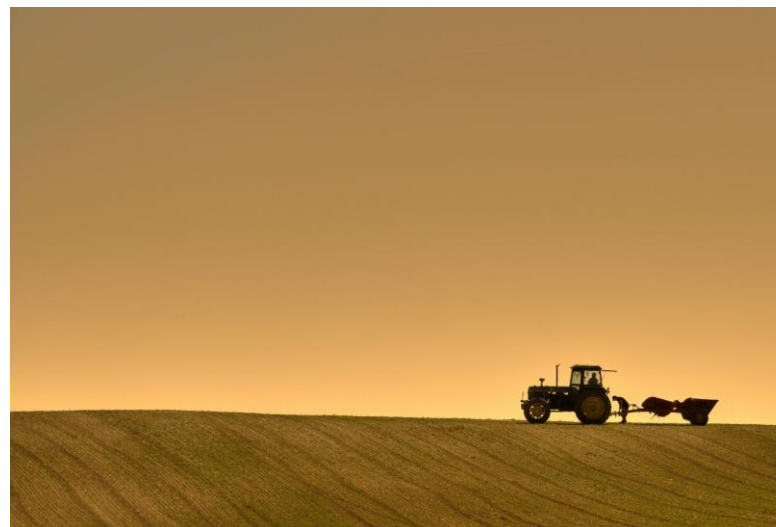
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WESTCOTE METHODIST NEWSLETTER

Rogation Sunday walk around Westcote

10am - Sunday 5th May

Followed by service in chapel at 11am



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WESTCOTE METHODIST CHAPEL

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VILLAGE BOOK SWAP AND COFFEE

Thursday 2nd May 2024

10.30am to 12 noon at Westcote Methodist Chapel

SUNDAY PRAYER FOCUS – 12th May 2024

If you can, please stay after the service for a few minutes to pray for our families, friends, church family and our neighbours.

ALPHA COURSE

Curious about faith? Join a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. At each Alpha session, you'll have the opportunity to watch an episode on a different question of faith – then you have a chance to share your thoughts and hear what others think. You can say anything you like, or nothing at all. Everyone's welcome. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs. It's free and there's no pressure to come back. **The Alpha Course will be on Tuesday evenings in the Village Hall starting at 7 o'clock.** Puddings will be provided!

PRAYER REQUESTS

*If you have any prayer requests,
please let one of the stewards know.*

ROGATION SUNDAY

Until we started to have United Services with St Mary's, I knew nothing about Rogation Sunday. I have learnt that it is a very old Anglican tradition of asking God for a blessing on this year's crops. I suppose it is because of my background in farming that I find it very appropriate. It is a salutary reminder, especially in these days of extreme weather, to hang on to God's promise that as long as the world lasts there will be seed time and harvest.

Westcote used to be an agricultural village, so I thought before the service we would walk round the village, and I can point out where the farms used to be.

I hope this will be of some interest.

Tony

**Taste and see that the LORD is good blessed is the one
who takes refuge in him. Ps 34v8**