

# Anglican Church of San Fulgencio, Spanish Episcopal Church Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 4 May 2025 ❖ Third Sunday of Easter – 80th Anniversary of VE Day



**WELCOME:** A warm welcome to this week's church newsletter. **A blessed Easter Season to you all.**

**VE DAY:** Thursday 8 May marks the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day (VE Day), which marks the official end of the Second World War in Europe. This Sunday, we conclude our service with a short act of commemoration to mark the anniversary.

**EASTER SEASON:** The season began on Easter Sunday and lasts 50 days. 40 days after Easter Sunday we celebrate Ascension Day, which is always a Thursday, but can be celebrated the following Sunday. The Season ends on Pentecost Sunday.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!** Whereas Mothering Sunday is a religious event celebrated on the Fourth Sunday of Lent, Mother's Day started in the US by Anna Jarvis (1864-1848), in honour of her mother Ann Jarvis (1832-1905).

Ann Jarvis did a lot of Christian charitable work during the American Civil War (1861-65). When she died, her daughter, Anna, called for a special day for people to give thanks for the love, support, encouragement and guidance of their own mother.

In the US, Mother's Day is celebrated on the closest Sunday to Ann's death – 9 May 1905. It is observed on various dates throughout the world. In Spain, it is kept on the **1st Sunday of May – this Sunday – ¡Feliz Día de la Madre!**

**PAPAL CONCLAVE:** On Wednesday 7 May, a papal conclave will convene to elect Pope Francis' successor. Please keep the conclave in your prayers.

*O God, who in your wondrous love  
watches over your Church,  
fill the cardinal-electors  
with your Holy Spirit to strengthen and inspire them  
as they chose a new Pope to lead them.  
May they choose a shepherd  
who will please you in his holiness  
and guide his flock with love and watchful care.  
We pray that your Holy Spirit  
will hover over the one who is chosen  
to strengthen him to be a messenger of love,  
peace and unity in our world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** Please pray for *The Church of Ireland*.

**NEWSLETTER NOTICES:** Please send all notices to Rev Richard – [rev.rdm@gmail.com](mailto:rev.rdm@gmail.com)

## Services

### This Sunday

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**80th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe (VE Day)**

Sunday 4 May

10.15 am Holy Communion

+zoom



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### This Week

Wednesday 7 May

12 noon Worship on Wed

+zoom

### Next Sunday

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 11 May

10.15 am Morning Prayer

+zoom

### Next Week

Wednesday 14 May

12 noon Worship on Wed

zoom only

### Future Services

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 18 May

10.15 am Holy Communion

+zoom

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 25 May

10.15 am Morning Prayer

+zoom

#### ASCENSION DAY

Thursday 29 May

12 noon Holy Communion

+zoom

We are an English-speaking Anglican congregation under the care of Bishop Carlos López-Lozano, of the Spanish Episcopal Church, *Iglesia Española Reformada Episcopal (IERE)*. We follow the liturgy of the Church of England.



We gather for worship in the side chapel of the Roman Catholic church in San Fulgencio and on Zoom  
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