

The Benefice Highnam, Tibberton with Rudford and Taynton  
and the Parish of Minsterworth

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026 – The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Highnam
11am	Holy Communion followed by Tibberton with Rudford APCM	Rudford
4pm	Minsterworth APCM followed by Evening Prayer at 5pm	Minsterworth

\*\* Highnam Church will be open for visitors from 12-4pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026 \*\*

<b>Bible Readings</b>	<b>Collect</b>
Acts 7.55-60  John 14.1-14	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.

**Church Diary – what's on and what to pray for...**

Mon	4 <sup>th</sup> May	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Tues	5 <sup>th</sup> May	9am	Collective Worship in Highnam School
		9.30-11am	Highnam Church clean (volunteers would be much appreciated)
Wed	6 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Reception class visiting Highnam Church to learn about baptism
Fri	8 <sup>th</sup> May	2pm	Pete Dole's funeral at Highnam Church

**Services Next Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Tibberton
11am	Holy Communion followed by Taynton APCM	Taynton
11am	The 11 o'clock	Minsterworth
5pm	Taizé Reflective Service	Highnam

## Acts 7.55-60

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

## John 14.1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

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