

Christ our King,
We come in gratitude for our Queen
whose long, extraordinary reign
has deliberately mirrored your service
through a life of visible self-giving.

As we thank you for Elizabeth,
our beloved Servant Queen
we acknowledge her tireless devotion
to country and to Commonwealth,
while rejoicing at the special place
which Norfolk has in her heart.
Thank you for her calm and constancy,
her humour and humanity,
her steadying words and unifying signs,
her grace, strength, and resilience.

Protect her, we pray, O Christ,
and enfold her with your enduring love
for, prized above the rubies in her crown,
she is more precious to us than platinum
itself.

Amen

**Queen Elizabeth II
Platinum Jubilee - Celebrating 70 years**



From Mid April to early May this year, Worthing was a hive of activity with lots of fun with not only the annual Easter Sunday Duck Race but also on May Day Bank Holiday – our traditional Cream Tea afternoon. On both occasions, the sun shone to add brightness, fun and a chance to catch up with everyone. Overall, visitors gathered which was exceptional as we now come out of Covid. Also, for Easter Sunday when we witnessed many happy faces sharing 14 Easter Egg prizes and many satisfying visitors indulging in an array of cream cakes of all descriptions which concluded with our bumper raffle.

As you can appreciate, a lot of hard work is carried out behind the scenes, before, on the day and after. So our grateful thanks go out to all our Volunteers who went about highlighting our village Church and these events. Allowing us to use and visit their private riverbank gardens, to serving coffee/tea, baking and generally clearing away. Without our Volunteers support we would not have achieved so much, so thank you Volunteers.



Combining the two church events we welcomed close to 150 visitors from Worthing & neighbouring villages ranging from tiny tots in push chairs to teenagers, Mums & Dads, Aunts & Uncles and also Grandparents. Through everyone's generous donations a total of **£748.80 was raised** and this will be put to excellent use by meeting some of our church running costs and also sustaining our Mission & Ministry work.

A HUGE thank you to everyone that came and supported us.

Our normal Sunday Services for June fall on the 12th Holy Communion Service and 26th Iona Service both starting at 10.30am followed by refreshments and a chat with the locals. We hope you are able to join us.