

St Mary's News

Sunday 11 April 2021

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Today

2nd Sunday of Easter

10am Holy Communion in church
and via Zoom

*Christ the Lord is risen again – Anthony
Foster*

Readings:

Acts 4: 32-35

John 20: 19-end



The Collect for the 2nd Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, you have given
your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our
justification: grant us so to put
away the leaven of malice and
wickedness that we may always
serve you in pureness of living and
truth; through the merits of your
Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is
alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.

Amen

Next week

3rd Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion in
church and via Zoom

Readings:

Acts 3: 12-19

Luke 24: 36b-48



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who live in
Great Elms, Smithers Close and
the Cherry Orchard.

We pray for those who have recently died

HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of
Edinburgh

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Doris Stone (13th)

Primrose Eileen Stanley (14th)

Wong Jen Siu Ying (15th)

Ada Gibbs (16th)

Margaret Jenner (16th)

Thomas James Allen (17th)

This Week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
6pm Compline (F)

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am-12.30pm Church open
for private prayer and Food Bank
6pm Compline (F)

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

F = services via Facebook Live

Thank You

We would like to thank Reverend Christopher Miles for leading and preaching at our 10am service today.

We remember the Duke of Edinburgh in prayer:

Blessed Jesus,
Lord of Lords and King of Kings,
we give you thanks
for the life of Philip, Duke of
Edinburgh .
for the grace and mercy
he received from you,
for his faithful love and support
of Her Majesty, The Queen,
and his service to this nation
at home and abroad.
Enfold him in your everlasting
arms
grant him rest
and raise him up at the last
in the company of the saints in
light. **Amen**

We remember, too, the Royal Family in their bereavement.

O God, our sovereign and
shepherd,
who brought again your Son,
Jesus Christ,
from the valley of death,
comfort, we pray,
the Queen and all the Royal
Family
with your protecting presence.
Fill them with your Holy Spirit;
and with your heavenly peace;
and bring them at the last
to your everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

APCM and the Electoral Roll

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place in church on Sunday 25 April after the 10am Sunday service. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person on the day, you will also be able attend and vote by electronic means as it will be live-streamed via Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent out nearer the time.

The Annual Report and Accounts, plus the Agenda for the meeting and reports are available on the website or [here](#).

If you or anyone you know may wish to join the Electoral Roll please contact Martin Massy (851519) or download the form from St Mary's website [here](#).

Churchwardens are elected annually, and two members of the PCC will be coming to the end of their terms. Nomination forms are available from Martin and, from Easter Sunday, will also be available in church.

Hospital Car Service

If you need transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881.



London Walk 38

The 2021 walk, due to take place on 24 April, will now be replaced with another 'virtual' walk, as in 2020. The 2021 virtual walk, in the Lambeth, Southwark and City of London areas, will be available online from 18 April in six daily episodes and by post.

More information and sponsorship forms are available at:

http://www.unlock-urban.org.uk/support_walk.php

Unlock had great feedback from last year's 'virtual' walk; those taking part enjoyed it and raised a surprising amount of money.

The Unlock London walks provide around 30% of Unlock's annual funding. Without that income it would not be able to continue its valuable work in supporting urban churches.

Lent Appeal 2021

Many thanks to those who have raised funds for our Lent Appeal in aid of the Delhi Brotherhood. Please hand any outstanding money to Martin marked Lent Appeal. In addition to all the Brotherhood's usual charitable works, over the past year they have helped feed people whose livelihoods have been affected by Covid-19.

Open Garden at Bishopscourt

The garden at Bishopscourt – the home of the Bishop of Rochester will be open to the public as part of the National Garden Scheme on Saturday April 17th 11.00 – 15.00. Tickets, £5.00, children free, may be bought in advance via the NGS website www.ngs.org.uk or at the gate on the day. There will be tea and cake and a plant stall. Bishopscourt, 24 St Margaret's Street, Rochester, ME1 ITS. Any enquiries to Bridget Langstaff: 07816 828439 bridget.langstaff@btinternet.com

Reflection for Easter 2 based on John 20.19-end

While Jesus was alive Thomas was as strong as an oak. But when Jesus was put to death, he became a reed shaking in the winds of doubt.

The truth was, though he didn't realise it at the time, that it was the Master who was the oak. He was a mere sapling growing in his shade. When the oak fell he was defenceless.

All of us are shaken by the winds of doubt. We need to look at the Lord's wounds, and hear his gentle voice saying to us: 'Cease doubting and believe.' Then with Thomas we shall make bold to say: 'My Lord and my God.'

Who's who at St Mary's?

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PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information:

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell (Deanery Synod rep.); Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Julia Miles; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt; and other members.

PCC Secretary:

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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.