

Heart of England Group of Parishes



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Notice Sheet for Sunday 18th April 2021 3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Services this week: 18th April

10am Holy Communion at St
Laurence's, Bidford

10.30am Family Service
at St Matthew's—outside
(or inside if weather is poor)
(Tickets required)

Recorded Audio service—access
from the websites

Services next week—25th April

10.30—Holy Communion
in St Matthew's, Salford Priors

**TICKETS REQUIRED THIS
SERVICE**

An on-line audio recorded
Service available via the
websites

Worshipping God
Making new Disciples
Transforming Communities



Future Services:

As we see some restrictions being eased over the next few weeks, we are beginning to hold regular services again in some of our churches..

April 25th

10.30am—Holy Communion at St Matthew's *

May 2nd

10am—Holy Communion at St Laurence's, Bidford

10.30am—Family Service at St Matthew's *

May 9th

10.30am—Muddy Church at St Matthew's *

10.30am—Holy Communion at St Matthew's *

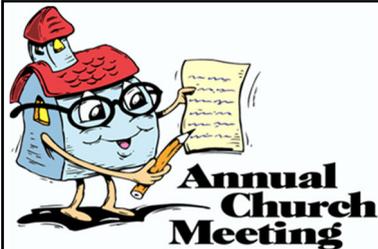
May 16th

10am—Holy Communion at St Laurence's

10.30am—Family Service at St Matthew's *

10.30am—Family Service at St Peter's, Binton

*** Tickets will be required at all services at St Matthew's**



Are you a signed up member of your church?

St Matthew's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th May at 7.30pm.

The Electoral Roll is being revised on Monday 10th May, so if you are not already on it and wish to join please ask our Electoral Roll officer, Peter

Penney (Tel: 01386 40170), for an application form and return it to him before Monday 10th May.

St Laurence's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place after the 10am service on 30th May.

The Electoral Roll is being revised this year and the last date for inclusion on the roll is 16th May. Please contact Christine Horn for an application form.

Electoral Roll



Belong



Participate



Contribute

Three of our schools (Salford Priors, Dunnington & Bidford) are in desperate need of at least one Foundation Governor each. If you have a heart for young people and a desire to serve the community in some way, then maybe this could be for you. If so please speak to Peter Walker or Roger Huggins who can provide you with the necessary information and application form.



For your prayers this week:

- All who are unwell, especially:
Eloise Zoe, Joanna Cotterell, Phil Dalby, Alan & Sarah Edwards, John England, James Hawkyard, Chloe Lambert, Zena Mason, Sylvia Muller, Pam Sharpe, Rhiannon Simmons, Keith Taylor, Rose Turner, Alex Waring, Laurence, Rosie Pollard, Roger Webb, Vinny (4 yrs old needing heart transplant), Alan (Margaret's son), Joan (Peter Walker's mother-in-law), Steve (a fireman),
and all the families, carers and medical staff who treat them
- all who mourn the loss of loved ones,
- All who are feeling lonely, anxious or depressed
- Sheila and David Bridge as they prepare to leave Rugby
- The Almohamad family settling into their new life in Bidford
- The people of Brazil facing a growing surge in the Covid epidemic
- All refugees living in cramped conditions where disease spreads so easily

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

“The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.” Lamentations 3. 22-23

<u>Readings:</u>	18th April	25th April	2nd May	9th May
1st Reading	Acts 3.12-19	Acts 4.5-12	Acts 8.26-40	Acts 10.44-48
2nd Reading	1 John 3.1-7	1 John 3.16-24	1 John 4.7-21	1 John 5.1-6
Gospel	Luke 24.36b-48	John 10.11-18	John 15.1-8	John 15.9-17

St Matthew's Foodbank

**DONATE
FOOD
HERE**

The following items are especially needed this week:

- Baked Beans
- Tinned Soup
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Custard
- Rice



Donations can be brought to the church on Thursday mornings at about 11am when there will be someone there to receive them.

To make financial contributions please contact Roger.

THANK YOU for your continued support.

Please contact Sarah or Roger to arrange delivery/collection.

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St Matthew's website: www.stmatthewssalfordpriors.org.uk

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Collect & Readings for 18th April—3rd of EASTER

Collect:

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

1st Reading: Acts 3.12-19

¹² When Peter saw this, he said to them: ‘Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴ You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵ You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶ By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

¹⁷ ‘Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸ But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,

2nd Reading: 1 John 3.1-7

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. ⁵ But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. ⁶ No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.

⁷ Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Gospel Reading: Luke 24.36b-48

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'

³⁷ They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, 'Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?' ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.'

⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, 'Do you have anything here to eat?' ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴ He said to them, 'This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.'

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.'