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Churches in Bridgnorth'

Linking the parishes of Bridgnorth, Tasley, Astley Abbots, Oldbury, Quatford, Morville, Aston Eyre, Acton Round, Monkhopton

Priest in Charge: Revd. Suzan Williams, Hon. Assistant Ministers: Revd. Marjorie Brooks, Revd Simon Boxall, and Anna Chaplain and Team Reader: Jane Peeler

Wednesdays – St Mary’s - 10.30am - Holy Communion

'Going Deeper' Sunday 27th April 4pm St Mary Magdalene Church, Bridgnorth

We will meet to worship and pray for the ministry and outreach in our Benefice

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> May

10.00 Little Stars – St Mary’s

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> May

10.00 Coffee Shop – St Mary’s

Sun – May 4<sup>th</sup> Easter 3 (White)

- 10.00 Monkhopton – Holy Communion
- 10.30 St Mary’s – Holy Communion
- 10.30 St Leonards Hall Church – Family Service
- 10.30 Oldbury – Holy Communion followed by APCM
- 11.15 Morville – Morning Prayer
- 11.30 Rogation Service – Astley Abbots – Stanley Hall Gdns

Sun – May 11<sup>th</sup> Easter 4 (White)

- 9.30 Astley Abbots – Family Service
- 10.00 Acton Round – Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Aston Eyre – Morning Prayer
- 10.30 St Mary’s – Holy Communion
- 10.30 Tasley – Family Service
- 10.30 Quatford – Holy Communion
- 11.15 Morville – Morning Prayer

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS: Sun 4<sup>th</sup> May – Easter 3 (White) –Acts 9:1-20, John 21: 1-19, Psalm 30.

Please note the team ministry office will be closed Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May due to local elections being staged at St Leonards Hall Church.

May Fayre Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 10am-2pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Bridgnorth

St Mary’s Connect – Third Tuesday of the month– at The Shakespeare Inn – for lunch and chat. If you would like to join us, please contact Catherine Wilson on 01746 761786 to book a place– Next date we will meet is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

'Anchored' Holiday Club 29<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am- 2.pm, Bridgnorth Baptist Church – games, workshops, songs, food & competitions for School Years 3-5. [www.anchorevent.co.uk](http://www.anchorevent.co.uk) If you would like to volunteer to help with the groups, please contact Revd. Suzan Williams 01746 599529.



We’ve lost approximately 97% of flower-rich meadows since the 1930’s and with them, gone are vital food needed by pollinators, like bees and butterflies. But your lawn can help! There are 20 million gardens in the UK which is a lot of land with the potential to benefit nature. The national charity ‘Plantlife’ is running its annual ‘No Mow May’ campaign. Leaving even a small area of lawn uncut during May will allow wild flowers such as daisies, white clover and selfheal to bloom, really benefiting bees, butterflies and other insects with their nectar & pollen. For more information see

[www.plantlife.org.uk/nomowmay](http://www.plantlife.org.uk/nomowmay)

## COLLECT

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.

## Acts 5: 27-32

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

## Psalms 118: 14-end

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.' I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

## POST COMMUNION

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## John 20:19-end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

