

Sunday 17th April 2022
Easter Day

6.00 a.m. Sunrise Communion
10.00 a.m. Family Communion

Collect for Today

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Chris. **Amen**

Service Readings

Isaiah 65:17-end (*p.706*), Acts 10:34-43 (*p.126*), and Luke 24:1-12 (*p.86*)

Please pray for

... Pauline Coulter, Penny Farbridge, Jo & David Garrick, Alan Humphreys and Yvonne Quittenton.

... the family and friends of Thora Reed, Edna Hobson, Vera Greenwood, George Reindorp, Sydney Ulrich and Alan Hall whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work East Meads, Ellis Avenue, Elmbank Avenue and Elmside.

... our Mission partners, the Koens Family, visiting friends and family in the States.

Post Communion Prayer

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dear Friends

At times of challenge in the world around us, we're greatly in need of hope. As the war in Ukraine continues, Covid continues to threaten us, and now our prime minister and our chancellor of the exchequer are fined for breaking Covid rules, we can feel heavy hearted and despairing. How can we continue to hope in these difficult times?

Sometimes people say, 'the devil is in the detail'; but my sense is that often 'God is in the detail'. And in my experience, it's when we see God at work in the details of life that we find hope. I'm sure all of us have been moved by the way individual families across Europe, and especially in Poland, have welcomed Ukrainian refugees into their homes; and it's humbling to see that happening in the UK now, and in our parish. When we watch the courage of Volodymyr Zelenskyy it inspires hope. When we watched the release of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe, and the patient and persistent campaigning of her husband, a few weeks ago, it inspired hope. In one sense all of these in themselves are small things; but their influence is immense. In one sense the death and resurrection of Jesus could be seen as isolated incident; a small thing. But the influence of that first century event in Palestine has brought hope to our world: it shows us that no situation is ultimately hopeless within the redeeming love and mercy of God. Let's rejoice in that this Easter day!

Beverly

Mission Focus for April: Mosaic Middle East (MME)

Mosaic Middle East (MME) is a Christian charity which All Saints' has been supporting in several ways for a number of years. You may remember that we welcomed its Chief Executive Officer to preach at one of our main services not so long ago. The charity works with vulnerable and persecuted minorities in Iraq and other Middle Eastern countries to relieve immediate needs and assist them in securing sustainable futures. You may also like to know that the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, joined as a Patron of MME at the end of 2021. Please read what he has to say, and learn more about the work of MME, in the April issue of the church magazine.

Notices

Welcome to Emma and Elliot whose Banns will be read at our 10am service.

Tea time church – there's no tea-time church on Easter Sunday, but come on Sunday 24th to hear from Thomas-the-puppet as he confides his worries to his twin Didymus.

Thursday Communion – will not be held this week as Beverly is away, but please do come to Morning Prayer which will be held at 9.15am Tuesday to Thursday.

Hard of Hearing Group – at 3pm on Monday 25th April. James Merritt is coming to tell us how he set up a group in Millmead church to meet every other month to pray for persecuted Christians. Everybody welcome!

If you need help (non-medical) with hearing aids or hearing problems, please get in touch beforehand (569825) to arrange to come to the clinic at 2pm.

Dennis Bottomley – has recently died and his funeral will be held here at All Saints on Monday 25th April at 11am. Dennis was a Churchwarden here in the 1960s. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate Dennis' life. Dennis' wife Lilian's funeral was held here in 2008.

BBC Songs of Praise – is being recorded in Guildford Cathedral on Tuesday 3rd May, 6.30pm-9.30pm. We have secured 12 tickets to attend as a church and are offering them on a 'first come first served' basis. Children welcome accompanied by their parents. Please let Trish know if you'd like to come.

New recycling opportunity – We'll soon be collecting any brand of flexible coffee packaging. This will help fill the gap left by the removal of the crisp and Ella bins. Start putting your coffee pouches aside now!

Leaders needed for Children's Church and our Youth Group: If you enjoy working with children and young people, we'd love to welcome you as part of the teams for Children's Church or Youth Club. Both of these groups are growing under the leadership of Jeanette Whiteman and Julie Lodge. If you'd like to consider being involved, please be in touch with either Jeanette or Julie.

Giving for Ukraine – as well as offering prayers, you may like to make a financial contribution to help those in Ukraine, we suggest you do this through the major channels, such as:

www.dec.org.uk/

donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal

www.oxfam.org.uk/oxfam-in-action/current-emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal/

www.unicef.org.uk/donate/donate-now-to-protect-children-in-ukraine/
msf.org.uk/

Diary for the Coming Week

Morning prayer Tues to Thurs 9.15am in church and on Zoom.

Weds 20th Dray Court Service, 2.30pm
Fri 22nd Toddler Group, 9.30am, church
Friday Group, 3pm, Zoom
Sun 24th Family Communion with Children's Church, 10.00am
(Canon Mavis Wilson preaching and presiding)
Young Adults, Church, 12pm
Tea-time Church, 4pm

Daily Readings for the coming week

Mon 18th Ps. 111, Exodus 12:1-14, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Tues 19th Ps. 112, Exodus 12:14-36, 1 Corinthians 15:12-19
Weds 20th Ps. 113, Exodus 12:37-end, 1 Corinthians 15:20-28
Thurs 21st Ps. 114, Exodus 13:1-16, 1 Corinthians 15:29-34
Fri 22nd Ps. 115, Exodus 13:17-14:14, 1 Corinthians 15:35-50
Sat 23rd Ps. 116, Exodus 14:15-end, 1 Corinthians 15:51-end

Service Readings for Sunday 24th April: 2nd of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, Revelation 1:4-8 and John 20:19-end

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