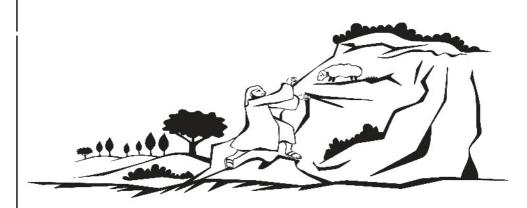


A warm welcome to everyone, especially any visitors. If you are new to our Churches please introduce yourselves to the sidespeople on duty. If you need help in any way during your time in church please talk to one of the sidespeople. Please note that both churches are installed with hearing loops to help those who wear a hearing aid with the T setting.

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

St. Mary's Sunday 9.30 ~ Parish Eucharist *St. Oswald's* Sunday 11.00 ~ Family Service

St Mary's APCM will be held on 2nd May after the Eucharist



TODAY'S READINGS 4th Sunday of Easter

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading – Acts 4.5–12 †

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

Second Reading - 1 John 3.16-end

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Gospel Reading – John 10.11–18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Pray daily for peace and all those who suffer from illness especially

Donna Morris, Isaiah Benjamin, John Proctor, Martin Wood, Val Masterman, Mary Browne, Brian Miles and Donald Paine

This week we pray for the residents of Moor Hall Drive, Ninfield, Kiln Lane, Hooe and our Church Cleaners.

In our CTiB cycle of prayer we pray for Christchurch Methodist Church, Bexhill, Tricia Williams and their Superintendent Minister Philip Wagstaff.

Any items for the Weekly Sheet

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by Wednesday 6pm please.

Prayer

Nick Fawcett

Lord Jesus Christ, shepherd of the sheep, Lamb of God, we thank you that though we repeatedly err and stray, ignoring your voice and wandering far from your side, you not only seek us out, but also willingly lay down your life for us, freely giving that we might freely receive. Equip us now to show our gratitude by following you more closely, trusting you more completely and obeying you more faithfully, so that our lives as well as our words may give honour to you, now and always. **Amen**