

News Letter

Brigstock with Stanion, Lowick and Sudborough
Sunday 11th April to Saturday 17th April 2021.

Sunday Services

11th April 10.00 a.m. – St Peters Stanion.

There will not be a Sunday Service at St Andrews Brigstock on the 11th April due to the continuing decoration work in the Lady Chapel and cleaning requirements On line service available.

18th April 10.00 a.m. All Saints Sudborough

25th April 10.00 a.m. St Peters Lowick.

2nd May 10.00 a.m. St Peters Stanion

Please book your seats by contacting the Benefice Administrator by the Thursday evening before the Sunday service is due to take place– contact details below.

*****Please do not turn up for a service if you have not made and had your reservation confirmed as once the number of seats have been filled we will not be able to admit you to the church. You will need to book for each service you would like to attend*****

You will need to provide:

1. The names of those wishing to attend.
2. If those attending represent more than one household/bubble, please clarify who belongs to each household/bubble.
3. Telephone number and where available an email for each person wishing to attend.
4. Whether consent is given for contact details being provided to NHS Test and Trace if anyone who has attended church displays symptoms of COVID-19.



We continue to have a weekly online service available on our website. If you are unable to attend services in church please join us this Sunday at 10.00 a.m. or any time that is convenient to you.

Benefice website: <https://www.harpersbrookanglicans.org.uk>

If you are unable to access our online service we can link you to someone who can and you can listen to the service on the telephone whilst they play it. We know of one person who has done this very successfully. It is no more complicated than ringing someone with access to the Internet on your usual telephone and we can help arrange this for you. If you would like to do this please ring Jackie Makepeace 01832 358978.

Please Pray for:

- **This Weeks Mind:** Richard Adams 1994, Eunice Woods 2009, Clare Mercer, Patrick Johnson 2019, Syd Spavin 1997, Paula Jackson 2016, Eileen Storrie 1992, Laurie Baker 1999

Parish Notes

Rector: The Reverend Heather Lowe

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Sudborough – David Sparks 01832 730039

Brigstock – Carl Hector 01536 373410

Stanion – David Lafferty 01536 200175

Benefice Administrator & Safeguarding Officer – Allison Porter email:

beneficeoffice5@btinternet.com or telephone 01536 373509 or 07933 804432

The National Church of England has provided;

Daily Hope - a free phone number (0800 804 8044) offering music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.

We hope you enjoy it and find it helpful.



804432, beneficeoffice5@btinternet.com. Entries need to be with Allison by Thursday evening to ensure they will be included in the next News Letter. Written consent is required if you want any personal details to be included.

Readings – April 11th 2021 Second Sunday of Easter St Peters Stanion and Online

Jesus Appears to the Disciples 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.'

Jesus and Thomas

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.'

The Purpose of This Book

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.

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Acts 4. 32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold.



The Harpers' Brook Benefice
and Little Stanion, St. Peter's

RISEN!

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EASTER COLLECT

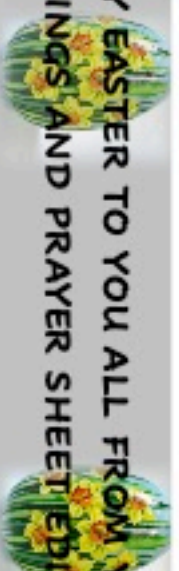
Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

AMEN

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**



**HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL FROM YOUR
READINGS AND PRAYER SHEET EDITOR**





The Night Sky for April – Peter Makepeace

This month the main sights are the Moon, a Mercury and Venus Conjunction plus a Meteor Shower.

The Moon will be new on the 12th; it will appear as a waxing 2%-lit crescent low in the west on the 13th and will be 6%-lit on the 14th low in the west-north west after sunset. Make sure the Sun has set if you are using binoculars. A good sight to view will be on the 15th when the Moon will be

between the Hyades and Pleiades open clusters of stars in the west in the early evening. The full Moon on the 27th will be a ‘Supermoon’ because it is within 90% of its closest approach the Earth (known as its Perigee at 356445 km). It will appear a little larger and brighter than an average full moon.

Mercury will appear to zip pass Venus from the 25th to the 30th low in the west-northwest for about 45 minutes after sunset. This is best viewed with binoculars but again make sure the Sun has properly set before viewing this encounter. They will be closest on the 25th and then Mercury will appear much higher in the sky each night than Venus. This is due to Mercury being closer to the Sun and thus having a faster orbital speed. Mercury will remain quite bright for the rest of the month, so if a particular night is cloudy this provides a good opportunity to spot it, especially if you have not seen it before.

The Lyrid meteor shower will peak in daylight of the 22nd so the best times to look for them is on the nights of 21/22 and 22/23 of the month. Early morning is the best time with the shower radiant (where they seem to appear from) situated low in the south, look away by about 60°. There will be a bright Moon so only the brighter meteors will be visible but after last month’s Fireball you never know!

Clear skies.



Last Weeks Answer

5	7	3	6	2	4	9	1	8
4	1	8	5	7	9	2	3	6
2	9	6	1	8	3	4	5	7
1	4	2	9	5	7	8	6	3
9	8	5	2	3	6	1	7	4
3	6	7	4	1	8	5	9	2
7	5	9	8	6	2	3	4	1
6	2	1	3	4	5	7	8	9
8	3	4	7	9	1	6	2	5

Weekly Quiz Answers –

Male Actors

1. Lorenzo Lomas, 2. Forest Whittaker, 3. Kris Kristoferson, 4. Alan Alda, 5. Ed Begley Jr., 6. Bruce Willis,
7. Benny Hill, 8. Charlton Heston, 9. Brandon Lee, 10. Jimmy Smits, 11. Jack Lemon, 12. Jeff Bridges,
13. George Burns, 14. Paul Hogan, 15. Lee Majors.