

St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



SUNDAY 14 APRIL

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist
6.00pm Choral Evensong
Thursday 9.30am Said Eucharist

OPENING HOURS

CHURCH: *Monday to Friday 10am - 5pm*

TEAM OFFICE: *Weekdays (except Wednesdays) from 10am - 1pm*

ZOOM SERVICES THIS WEEK

(please contact the host to join the mailing list)

Morning Prayer Monday to Friday at 8.30am

Compline Monday to Friday at 8.30pm

Hosted by Mike Bunclark mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk

Prayers for Peace & Justice on Saturdays at 4pm

Hosted by Joan Hazzard joanhazz@gmail.com



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NOTICES

Sunday 14 April

Today we start singing the Eucharist using Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne. This will be the third time we have used this setting, so I hope over the next few weeks, you will get the hang of it again. Practice makes perfect! *John Swindells*
Junior Church meets downstairs during the service, leaving with a parent/carer after the Collect prayer.

The Lent Appeal total for USPG's Ukraine Appeal is £512.40, which includes £137 from the Lent Lunch - thank you to all for your donations.

CAMEO - Tuesday 16 April, 7.30pm, Lower Vestry

Our women's discussion group meets again this week for conversation over a cuppa.

Tunes & Chips - Friday 19 April, 3.45pm, Church

Our choir for Primary School age children meets this Friday, to practise for the next All Together Worship service on Sunday 28 April. Contact the Office to book.

APCM Sunday 28 April at 11.15am

You are invited to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 28 April. Copies of the Annual Report are now available, as is the updated Electoral Roll. Nominations for PCC members, Churchwardens and a Deanery Synod representative are needed. Documents and forms at the back of Church.

The Diocese of Worcester is undergoing a safeguarding audit by an external organisation. The auditors are asking as many people as possible to share their impressions and experiences of safeguarding through a confidential survey. Please consider filling this in openly and honestly, and letting the audit team know your opinions. Surveys are open now, and will close at 11.30pm on Wednesday 1 May. They can be found on the Worcester Diocese website at <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/safeguarding/safeguarding-audit/>

Training session for leading prayers or reading scripture, Mon 29 April

A training and refresher session for those who read scripture or lead the prayers during worship has been arranged on Monday 29 April, from 2.30-4.30pm, at St. Stephens Church, Barbourne, WR3 7HS. Doug Chaplin, Discipleship and Lay Training Officer for the Diocese, will be leading the session, you are most welcome to join them. No need to book - just turn up.

The Church toilets are out of use, while the area is being extended and refitted with new facilities. Please make use of the Undercroft toilets in the meantime. Your patience is appreciated.

Dates for the diary

Plant Sale, Saturday 11 May, 10am - please have a think about what you can contribute to the sale, all plants and seedlings welcome, and home baking.

Christian Aid Week 12-18 May, volunteers needed

Please let Elizabeth know if you are able to help distribute envelopes to the parish

10.00AM SUNG EUCHARIST

The **Order of Service** is in a separate booklet, large print copies are available. This **Bulletin** contains the words of the hymns, readings, and special prayers for the day, as well as notices and prayers for the week. You are welcome to take it home. If you would like a kneeler, please ask a sidesperson.

Celebrant & Preacher **Revd Peter Hart**
Organ **John Swindells**

Please refer to the music and words for the Mass of St Thomas Eucharist setting on the accompanying card, available from a sidesperson.

Hymn NEH 119 (Tune: NEH 107 Vulpus)

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung.
Alleluya, alleluia, alleluya!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
Alleluya, alleluia, alleluya!

On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain.
Alleluya, alleluia, alleluya!

He brake the age-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell.
Alleluya, alleluia, alleluya!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee.
Alleluya, alleluia, alleluya!

Translated from the Latin by Francis Pott (1832-1909)

See pages 1-2 in the Order of Service, then follow the Gloria on the card

Collect Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such a 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.
Amen

First Reading Acts 3.12-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

- ¹² Peter addressed the people,
‘You Israelites, why do you wonder at this,
or why do you stare at us,
as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?
¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,
the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus,
whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate,
though he had decided to release him.
¹⁴ But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One
and asked to have a murderer given to you,
¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead.
To this we are witnesses.
¹⁶ And by faith in his name,
his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know;
and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health
in the presence of all of you.
¹⁷ And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance,
as did also your rulers.
¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled
what he had foretold through all the prophets,
that his Messiah would suffer.
¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn to God
so that your sins may be wiped out.’

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Second Reading | John 3.1-7

A reading from the first Letter of John

- 1 See what love the Father has given 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 Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we will be has not yet been revealed.
What we do know is this:
when he is revealed, we will be like him,
for we will see him as he is.
- 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves,
just as he is pure.
- 4 Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness;
sin is lawlessness.
- 5 You know that he was revealed to take away sins,
and in him there is no sin.
- 6 No one who abides in him sins;
no one who sins has either seen him or known him.
- 7 Little children, let no one deceive you.
Everyone who does what is right is righteous,
just as he is righteous.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn *NEH 118*

The Lord is risen indeed!
Now is his work performed;
Now is the mighty Captive freed,
And death's strong castle stormed.

The Lord is risen indeed!
Then hell has lost his prey;
With him is risen the ransomed seed
To reign in endless day.

The Lord is risen indeed!
He lives, to die no more;
He lives, the sinner's cause to plead,
Whose curse and shame he bore.

Thomas Kelly (1769-1854)

Gospel Luke 24.36b-48

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Please join in the sung Gospel Acclamation in bold using the music on the card

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you O Lord

- 36 While the eleven and their companions
were talking about what they had heard,
Jesus himself stood among them and said to them,
'Peace be with you.'
- 37 They were startled and terrified,
and thought that they were seeing a ghost.
- 38 He said to them,
'Why are you frightened,
and why do doubts arise in your hearts?'
39 Look at my hands and my feet;
see that it is I myself.
Touch me and see;
for a ghost does not have flesh and bones
as you see that I have.'
- 40 And when he had said this,
he showed them his hands and his feet.
- 41 While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering,
he said to them,
'Have you anything here to eat?'
- 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish,
43 and he took it and ate in their presence.
- 44 Then he said to them,
'These are my words that I spoke to you
while I was still with you -
that everything written about me in the law of Moses,
the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.'
- 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,
46 and he said to them,
'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer
and to rise from the dead on the third day,
47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins
is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations,
beginning from Jerusalem.
- 48 You are witnesses of these things.'

Please join in the sung Gospel Acclamation in bold using the music on the card

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ

The Sermon follows, then see pages 5-6 in the Order of Service

Offertory Hymn NEH 375

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth:
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came with me and the dance went on: *Dance then...*

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
And they left me there on a cross to die: *Dance then...*

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the dance, and I still go on: *Dance then...*

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. *Dance then...*

Sydney Carter (1915-2004)

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See pages 7-12 in the Order of Service, joining in the sung sections from the card,
(Acclamation I will be used)

Choir Anthem Ave verum corpus - Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Ave verum corpus
natum ex Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine,
cujus latus perforatum
vero fluxit et sanguine,
esto nobis praegustatum
mortis in examine.
O clemens, O pie,
O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariae.

*Hail, true body
born of the Virgin Mary,
who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the Cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
flowed water and blood,
be for us a foretaste
in the trial of death.
O clement, O holy,
O sweet Jesus, Son of Mary.*

After Communion

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.

See page 12 in the Order of Service

Final Hymn NEH 124

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains,
And crushed the serpent's head;
And brought with him, from death's domains,
The long-imprisoned dead.

From hell's devouring jaws the prey
Alone our Leader bore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way
Where he hath gone before.

Triumphant in his glory now
His sceptre ruleth all,
Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,
And at his footstool fall.

While joyful thus his praise we sing,
His mercy we implore,
Into his palace bright to bring
And keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
While endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.

*St Fulbert of Chartres (d 1028)
Translator: Robert Campbell (1814-68)*

see page 13 in the Order of Service

Voluntary Trumpet Tune - John Stanley (1712-1786)

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Next Week's Readings: Acts 4.5-12; 1 John 3.16-end; John 10.11-18

6.00pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Led by **Mike Bunclark**

Choir **John Swindells** Organ **Robin Walker**

- Hymn 366** God of mercy, God of grace
- Psalm 142** *Chant:* Richard Cooke
- Readings** Deuteronomy 7.7-13, Revelation 2.1-11
- Canticles** Wilson in C
- Anthem** Blessed be the God and Father - Samuel Wesley (1810-1876)
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which according to his abundant mercy
hath begotten us again unto a lively hope
by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled,
that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,
Who are kept by the power of God
through faith unto salvation
ready to be revealed at the last time.
But as he which hath called you is holy,
so be ye holy in all manner of conversation.
Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.
Love one another with a pure heart fervently.
See that ye love one another.
Love one another with a pure heart fervently:
Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible,
by the word of God.
For all flesh is as grass,
and all the glory of man as the flower of grass.
The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away;
but the word of the Lord endureth for ever.
Text from 1 Peter 1
- Hymn 485** Thy hand, O God, has guided
- Hymn 114** Now is eternal life
- Voluntary** Fugue in G, BWV 576 - J S Bach (1685-1750)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH

People in sickness or need

Michael Wood	Roderick Dovey	Donna Vickers	Sandra Giles
Nancy Dyson	Shirley Scott	Simonne Lebrun	Jennie Furnival
Sheila Ledbury	Malcolm Kent	Sheila Sergeant	Mark Farthing
Isobel Maher			

The recently departed

Michael Dunn

Anniversary of death

Grenville Wood	John Kirwan	Joan Palfrey	William Dey
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DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Mon 15 Acts 6.8-15

John 6.22-29

Pray for the economic life of our county, for the industry and commerce of our city, the economic benefits they bring, and the employment they provide.

Tue 16 Acts 7.51- 8.1

Acts 8.1b-8

Pray for our farmers, for all who work the land and rear animals to produce our food. May they enjoy settled conditions and good yields.

Wed 17 Acts 8.26-end

John 6.25-40

Pray for our national services, particularly the NHS and social care systems as they struggle to cope with increasing demand, and continuing pressure on their finances. Pray for all the dedicated staff that they may find the strength to continue.

Thu 18 Acts 8.26-end

John 6.44-51

Pray for all involved in our legal system: the police, judges, magistrates, solicitors, court officials, prison officers, and the probation service. Pray for all offenders and the victims of crime, and their respective families.

.Fri 19 Acts 9.1-20

John 6.52-59

Pray for our Government and for our political leaders who must plot a path for the nation through these difficult times, may they have wisdom, integrity, fortitude, courage and sound judgement.

Sat 20 Acts 9.31-42

John 6.60-69

Pray for peace throughout the world, and join your prayers with those who will meet on Zoom at 4.00pm today for Prayers for Peace and Justice. Remember especially all those agencies actively working to broker peace between warring nations or factions within nations.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

The full Church diary for this week, and next week, is displayed on the noticeboard in the Lower Vestry. Please speak to Rebecca if you have any queries, or to book your event or meeting into the diary, to avoid disappointment.

Saturday 13 April

10.00am	Open Church Church
12noon	ESO Rehearsal (until 8pm) Church

Sunday 14 April

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Church
6.00pm	Choral Evensong Church

Monday 15 April

Tuesday 16 April

7.30pm	CAMEO Lower Vestry
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Wednesday 17 April

9.30am	Mainly Music Church
11.00am	Bible Study Lower Vestry

Thursday 18 April

9.30am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	PopIns Lower Vestry
7.30pm	WSO Rehearsal Church

Friday 19 April

3.45pm	Tunes & Chips Church
6.00pm	Organ Practice Church
7.00pm	Choir Practice Lower Vestry

Saturday 20 April

Sunday 21 April

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Church
12noon	Baptism Church
3.00pm	Music Rehearsal Lower Vestry
