

***Welcome - we wish you
a Happy and Blessed Easter!***



Jesus said to her, "Mary!" (John 20:16)

Readings

To review today's readings: Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18
To prepare for next week: Acts 5:27-32
John 20:19-31

Today's hymns

If you would like to follow today's hymns in the hymn books, they are:

348 - Jesus Christ is risen today
637 - The day of resurrection
433 - Love's redeeming work is done
354 - Jesus lives!

In our prayers, let us include:

Claire's Dad, Steve.

Troy, Jennifer's brother, who is losing his battle with cancer. Please remember Jennifer and Derek as well.

Everyone caught up in the events in Ukraine.

Our care homes (our parish boasts many), especially those which are currently under lock-down.

Sarah Sole, with a number of health issues.

Colin, who has dementia but is in hospital following a stroke.

Peter Culverhouse (Elizabeth's nephew) who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Lisa Rogers, who is in need of support and guidance.

Change in how we conduct our services

My aims are to simplify the service and to be mindful still of the covid virus.

I have consulted widely, including a discussion in the PCC.

The decisions remain my responsibility.

My hardest decision was whether to offer wine. My decision is to go with the practice in many churches, which is not to offer wine. The president has wine, in effect on behalf of the congregation. I apologise for the disappointment this may cause.

In outline, this is how we will operate:

Social distancing: keep an empty pew between pews if possible.

Masks: according to individual discretion.

Passing the peace: no physical contact.

Passing an offerings plate: no.

Offertory procession: no.

Chalice: no.

Singing: yes, for those who wish.

Distribution: I will come first to people in the congregation who wish me to bring their wafer to them. Then I will distribute to people who wish to come up to the Communion table.

Single file: please keep to the right in the chancel.

Communion rail: please spread along the rail as usual, but feel free to stand rather than kneel.

Do you know of someone who could help?

Do you know of anyone who lives locally, has some nursing training and might want to earn some money by visiting a 92 year old woman who lives near St Andrew's? She has recently had a stroke and needs some assistance to remain living independently. The visits would be in order to perform certain tasks like preparing her meals two or three times a day.

If you know of anyone, please me know - 07868 120253 - Ian.

Easter Monday pilgrimage to the Abbey

Christ Church are walking as usual, and are once again kindly inviting us to join them. They will be leaving at around 9:45. In addition, they are offering us a bacon sandwich, or veggie equivalent, and a hot drink, for breakfast,

They ask us to email Rachel on chappells@ntlworld.com or phone 07903 956016 to inform them what we would like, so that they can plan efficiently.

Video recordings of our Sunday services

Video recordings of both parts of our Sunday worship are on our website, or 'A Church Near You', or our Facebook page, hopefully by the Sunday evening.

Liturgy online from the C of E

The following links take us to Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer, complete with the appropriate readings etc for the day.

Morning prayer: http://daily.commonworship.com/daily.cgi?today_mp=1

Evening prayer: http://daily.commonworship.com/daily.cgi?today_ep=1

Night prayer (Compline)

http://daily.commonworship.com/daily.cgi?today_np=1

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