



Sunday Services 27th April Low Sunday, Easter 2

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10am Sung Eucharist

President & Preacher Revd Peter King

Hymns at 10am 152, 497, 148, 159

Anthem Ave verum corpus, *Elgar*

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.

Post Communion

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.

First Reading - Acts 5.27-32

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Second Reading – Revelation 1.4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gospel - 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.'

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.'

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.

Services this coming Holy week & the Easter Triduum:

Mon 28 th	3.30pm	MESSY CHURCH
Wed 30 th	9:15am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Communion, coffee & cake
Sun 4 th May	8am	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	Sung Eucharist

Save the date!

Thurs 8 th May	10am	VE Day@80yrs Service [at All Saints]
Thurs 29 th May	8pm	Ascension Day Choral Eucharist
Sun 1 st June	10am	Patronal Festival with baptism FiSH Open Gardens & Flower Festival at Christ Church
Sun 8 th June	10am	Pentecost (Whitsun) Sung Eucharist
Sun 5 th Oct	3.30pm	50yr celebration of the Team Ministry

PARISH NOTICES

All Saints second Concert Series of 2025 – Saturday, 17 May, at 7:00pm – (doors and licensed bar open at 6.30pm). The concert will feature the return of YCAT winning clarinettist, Jonathan Leibovitz performing music by Debussy, Brahms and Poulenc. Tickets are £15 and are available at All Saints Church on Sunday mornings; also available at Eventbrite/All Saints/Jonathan Leibovitz, or on the door on the night. . Students and children are free.

Spring Serenade: a musical celebration of spring – on Wednesday, at 12noon at Christ Church. Imogen Baker Soprano, Daniel Silcock, piano. Join us for a joyful lunchtime concert of beautiful songs: music by Mozart, Strauss, Ravel, Gounod & more. Free Entry (donations to Maggie's Cancer Centres).

New Electoral Roll: This year the Electoral Roll for the parish has to be started again from scratch. You will be asked to complete a new form if you have not already done so - today or next Sunday. Please bring a biro.

Kingston Matabeleland link: The Bishop of Kingston invites those in the episcopal area to a celebration service with Bishop Cleophas the Bishop of Matabeleland Tuesday 29th April at 7pm St. Mark's, Kennington, SE11 4PW. Stay and chat over a delicious Zimbabwean meal after the service!! (The Mortlake Parish is linked with St Mary, Famona in Bulawayo and the link is part of the parish mission giving). RSVP - <https://tinyurl.com/KMlinkservice> or speak to a warden or member of the clergy.

Wandsworth Prison: many are concerned about the state of our prisons. A public meeting organised by the Wandsworth Prison Improvement Campaign will be at 7pm on Wednesday, 7 May, at St Anne's Church, Wandsworth SW18 2RS. Speakers will include Andy Davy, the Governor of Wandsworth Prison, Adrian Usher, the Prison and Probation Ombudsman, Natasha Porter, CEO of Graduates, Unlocked and spoken word performer Errol McGlashan. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge to attend.

ACM – Christ Church Annual Meeting Sunday 18th May at 10am

APCM - Annual Parochial Church Meeting Monday 19th May at St Mary's 7.30pm, followed by PCC meeting.

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

Mission and Community Concern: *Kathryn's Mercy Homes. Providing board, lodging and an education for Dalit children in Tamil Nadu, South India to gives them the opportunity to study for a profession or go on to college or university and so the chance for them, and their families, to escape grinding poverty*

Parish / Wider Church Concern: *For our parish treasurer Jon and the church treasurers: Bob, Karen and Perry, with thanks for all they do.*

World / UK Concern: *The really sad news of the passing of Pope Francis - may his soul rest in peace.*

Community: *As the new term gets underway we pray for all local schools, groups and especially the local Brownies and Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and their Leaders and Unit helpers.*

The sick and those in need: *Toby Zeegen, Amaya Henry, Mike Pattison, Tony Paterson, Joy Clarke, Alban Clarke.*

Those who have died: *Pope Francis, Marjorie Taylor, Ann Duvall, Jennifer Greenwood, Gerald Lay, Anna Hockley.*

Years Mind: *Mary Curry, Geoff Moss, Jill Marshall, Denis Scuse, Jackie Lamb*

Notices: *Please send parish notices (i.e. those to go on notice sheets in all three churches) to Anne Reeves anne_reeves@madasafish.com and for Christ Church only to Revd Jonathan Haynes vicar.cces@gmail.com by Wednesday lunchtime.*