



Notices April 2024



The power of Christ's resurrection

In the Christian calendar, the 50-day period following Easter Sunday is called Eastertide. During this season, Christians are expected to reflect on and consider the significance and reality of the resurrection in their lives.

"The foundation of Christian faith is the resurrection of Christ. It served as the hallmark of the magnificent deed He had come to accomplish. It was the ultimate demonstration that the victory had been won, the atonement for sin had been completed, the head of the one with the power of death had been bruised, and the ransom He paid for sinners had been accepted".

We are separated from God by sin, but Jesus has restored our relationship and reconciled us to God if we believe, because Jesus was raised from the dead.



The Holy Spirit is God's power for God's people. When we give our lives to Jesus Christ, we can access the power of resurrection. Seek God's understanding of the sure hope He has given us. When you believe in Him, you become His rich and glorious inheritance.

Now is the time to harness the power of resurrection the Holy Spirit provides—naturally, of course! Seize the heavenly force God has infused you with—the force capable of defeating death. Happy Easter.

Revd Taiwo

April News



Notice Board

- ♥ As always our **Sunday Services** are in church at 9:45am.
- ♥ **Thursday Prayer time** - Thursdays in church at 9:30am.
- ♥ **Sunday School** - Younger Sunday School in the Lounge every Sunday (except the first Sunday of the month, when parents can use the lounge with their children, some resources will be provided to use). Older Sunday School (8-12 years old) on the first Sunday of each month.
- ♥ Revd Taiwo has introduced a new **Healing Service**, the first of these will be on Sunday 14th April, 5-6pm at St James. The following one will be on 12th May.
- ♥ Please note that now we have two **Holy Communion Services** each month at St James, these will normally be on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.
- ♥ Don't forget that if you would like to go to one of the Parish wide '**Life Groups**', or would like more information, please speak to Revd. Taiwo.
- ♥ **Postage Stamps** - Don't forget to pop your used postage stamps in the box in the foyer for the RNIB.
- ♥ **Contact** - If you need to contact the clergy, please in the first instance speak to the Parish Office - See contact details below.
- ♥ At church we still have a surplus **Fridge/Freezer**, so if you need of one, or know someone does, then please take it. Talk to Jane or Nick for information.



Foodbank: As usual, please leave your gifts of food and other items in the basket in the entrance foyer at Church, or give any financial donations to either Nick or Jessica. Thank you again for your continuing support.

News



As we said last month, **Carol** would like people to visit her or be in touch. So if you would like to do this (her new home is in Verona Court, close to Holy Trinity, Heath Town), she would love to hear from you. If you would like to contact her, please speak to Jane Gardner or Jacquie Mullett who have her details.



A big thank you has come from Marie Lane and Mora from **Churches Together Fordhouses and Oxley**. All of the lunches were well attended and a total sum of **£633.50** was raised (£137.50 of that at St James), so they are donating £750 (extra from current funds) to the Good Shepherd Trust who do such good work with the homeless in our city. Their next event is a sponsored walk on Saturday 14th September 2024 and the sponsor forms will be sent out nearer the time.



Celebrations: - Birthdays - 10th Jane Gardner & Lynn Astley, 13th Jessica & Bethany Braitch.

Wedding Anniversaries 13th Alan and Val Redmond

We pray that you will all have blessed birthdays and anniversaries.

Diary Dates

- ♥ **CAMEO:** 2-4pm on 15th April.
- ♥ **3 C's for April:** 2-4pm on 8th, 22nd and 29th (NO meeting on the 1st April!).
- ♥ The next **City Wide Prayer** event is at the Church of the Good Shepherd, on Thursday 18th April, 7-8pm.
- ♥ The next **Men's Breakfast**, St Mary's Hall, 10am Saturday 27th April (then 18th May).
- ♥ Please don't forget Saturday 13th April, **Mission Training with Dan Holland**, 9am - 4:30pm St Mary's Church Hall.

Please Pray



If you would like specific prayer for someone, please add them to our prayer board in the entrance. These are some we should be praying for: Darren Worley, Doreen Cripps, Carol Griffiths, Alan Redmond, Joe (Donna's dad), Roger (Sandra's cousin), Elizabeth Westwood (Maureen Horton's daughter), Pam (David Newman's mother-in-law), Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Rotas

If you are on cleaning duty, please use the cleaning check list - **Please do this** from 9:30am onwards on Saturdays, if you want to do this at a different time, please speak to Jacquie to check that the church is free.

We could do with additional volunteers to help with the cleaning, if you think this is something you could do, please speak to Jacquie, Jane or Nick, thank you.

Sunday 7th April - (TO)

Cleaning (Saturday): Sue Tilley

Chairs: James Hesp

Duty Team: Jane Gardner & Ian Newman

Computer: Richard Mullett (Jacquie Mullett)

Readers: Jane Gardner - Acts 4:32-35

Catherine Tromans - John 20:19-31

Drinks: Jane Jones

Flowers: Sue Tilley

Sunday 14th April - HC (TO/DH)

Cleaning (Saturday): Mary Widdal

Chairs: Chris Astley

Duty Team: Nick Gardner & Jessica Bate

Computer: Jacquie Mullett

Readers: Nick Gardner - Acts 3:12-19

Jessica Bate - John 1:1-5

Drinks: Catherine McCulloch

Sunday 21st April - (TO)

Cleaning: (Saturday): Richard Mullett

Chairs: Richard Mullett

Duty Team: Richard Mullett & Ian Newman

Computer: Chris Astley (Jane Gardner)

Readers: Pauline Biddulph - Acts 4:5-12

Sheila Turner - John 1:6-14

Drinks: Jean Cook

Flowers: Catherine McCulloch

Sunday 28th April - HC (TO)

Cleaning: (Saturday): Ann-Charlotte Holman
Chairs: Ann-Charlotte Holman
Duty Team: Nick Gardner & Ann-Charlotte Holman
Computer: Jessica Bate
Readers: Nick Gardner - Acts 8:26-40
Ann-Charlotte Holman - John 3:1-20
Drinks: Sue Miller

Sunday 5th May

Cleaning (Saturday): Jane Gardner
Chairs: Nick Gardner
Duty Team: Ian Newman & Jane Gardner
Computer: Jacquie Mullett
Readers: Jane Gardner - TBA
Catherine McCulloch - TBA
Drinks: Jane Jones
Flowers: Jane Jones

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings
cease!

My comforter, my all in all – Here in the love of Christ I stand.



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