St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 14th April 2024

The Third Sunday of Easter

Today's Service

9.30am Parish Communion

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Julie Dunstan

Setting: Mass of St Thomas David Thorne Hymns: 117 The Day of Resurrection 345 Christ is the King, O friends rejoice

Easter Gospel Acclamation: Modal Alleluia Daniel Ficarri/Stuart Robinson

104 At the Lamb's high feast we sing

During Communion: O taste and see Vaughan Williams

Final hymn: 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

Organ voluntary: Dialogue sur les grands jeux Nicolas de Grigny

Services during the week

Services of Holy Communion are held on Wednesdays at 10.00am St Andrew's Chapel (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am in the Vestry (BCP). All are welcome.

Next Sunday, 21st April

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President and Preacher: The Revd Juliette Hulme

6.00pm Choral Evensong Minister: Canon Judy Anderson

For your prayers

As we give thanks for the joy of Easter, we also give thanks for the whole Church in South Sudan, its witness in troubled times and the long ministry of Bishop Elijah in the Diocese of Cueibet. We pray for the projects we as a deanery are funding, that the work may not be interrupted.

We continue to pray for peace in the Holy Land, and particularly in Gaza, and for a ceasefire to allow aid to get through. We pray that Iran will not launch reprisals following the Israeli attack on their consulate in Syria. We pray too for the people of Ukraine, and for all the troubled regions of the world. We pray for world leaders, that they will strive for peace.



We pray for the Nadder Valley Benefice as we consider the way forward following the reduction in the number of Priests to minister to us. May we be open to seeking God's will for us, and to the inevitable changes which will need to be made.

Lent Boxes

Thank you to all who took Lent Boxes to support the British Red Cross - Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territory Appeal. Please would you bring your box back, to any service, by the end of this month, so that we can send our donation.

The Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The New Testament Reading: Acts 3.12-19

When Peter saw it, he 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? 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. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 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.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Gospel: Luke 24.36b-48

Jesus stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 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.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

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.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 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, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Open Gardens

Fonthill House

Sunday 28th April

The grounds of Fonthill House will be open from 12.00-5.00 on Sunday 28th April. Admission £10, in aid of Seeds4Success. You can read about this very worthwhile charity at https://www.seeds4success.org.uk

Old Fonthill Abbey Gardens Sundays 5th and 19th May

The grounds of Old Fonthill Abbey, SP3 6SP, will be open between 10.30am and 4.30pm, in aid of Cure Parkinson's and local charities. Come and enjoy a walk around the woods and lake and admire the bluebells – donations on the gate (£10 suggested donation). Why not enjoy BBQ sausages for lunch, or a cup of tea with delicious cake? Dogs welcome on leads.

Annual Meetings and Church Electoral Roll

Our church Annual Meetings this year will be held on **Sunday 12**th **May** at 10.45am (after the 9.30 Parish Communion service) in the church. Do please come!

If you would like your name to be added to the church Electoral Roll, please complete the form which is available in church, and return it to Trish Liddiard, our Electoral Roll Officer, by Sunday 28th April at the latest. The current list is displayed in the porch - if your name is already there, there is no need to fill in a form.

Have you considered becoming a member of the PCC (Parochial Church Council)? This is your opportunity to contribute to decision-making about church matters - do talk to Juliette or Judy if you would like more information.