

Sunday 9th April 2023
EASTER DAY



Collect for the Week

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

10.00 am Festival Eucharist (CW)

President: The Vicar

Please see separate booklet

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Also on Zoom

Lead: Revd. Anthony Hammill, Link: Susan Powley

Hymns: Jesus Christ is Risen Today
In Christ Alone
See what a Morning
Meekness and Majesty

Readings: Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 28:1-10

6.30 pm READINGS AND MUSIC FOR EASTER

Minister: The Vicar

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 10th April

Bank holiday

Parish Office closed

TUESDAY 11th

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 12th

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 13th

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 14th

12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

SATURDAY 15th

NEXT SUNDAY 16th April

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW) with baptism

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Also on Zoom

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Rosemary Romano

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister: The Vicar



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today by Tony and Barbara Bourne in loving memory of their parents, May and Gordon Bourne and Amy and Nevil Turner. As a Parish, we give thanks for the lives of Pam Munro and Jean Steyn and commend their families to God as they mourn their passing.

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Easter greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today at the Church Centre and the Parish Church as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. May the joy of Easter reside in our hearts as we journey on. Alleluya! Christ is risen.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Our annual meeting will take place on Thursday 20th April, at the Church Centre. Beginning at 8 pm the meeting is open to all on the Electoral Roll and all residents of the Parish. This year we will be electing two new Churchwardens, as Clive and May will be retiring. Please do come and be involved in this important occasion in our calendar.

David Vernon

David Vernon died at home on Tuesday afternoon. We are saddened by this, but rejoice that David has been called home to be with the Lord that he worshipped and served so diligently during his earthly life. Our thoughts and prayers are with Anne and their entire family.

Pam Munro

Pam's funeral will take place at the Parish Church on Thursday 20th April at 12 noon, with the Choir. A reception will follow in the Church at the Church Centre, to which everyone is invited.

Jean Steyn

Jean's funeral will be held at the Parish Church on Monday 17th April at 11 am. There will be a reception in the Lodge afterwards.

Message from Pat and Ray Stevens

It is with sadness that we have to tell you this, but after worshipping at St Paul's for 48 years we have decided to change our place of worship. There are many reasons for this decision but the main one is to join Ray at the URC in Rusthall. He really enjoys being there and in 48 years we have always worshipped together.

In life we have to go where God guides us even if the services are quite different.

Please pray for us as we will do for you. Love and blessings,
Ray and Pat.

Family Service Children's Group Easter Break

Our group will not be running during the Easter holiday break on the following dates: Palm Sunday 2nd April & Easter Sunday 9th April. I would really encourage you to come to the Easter Services if you can, even though our group isn't running as they are such special and important days and will be very inclusive for all ages. We look forward to re-starting our children's group on Sunday 16th April. Please get in touch with Mary Holmes (mandmcreative.co.uk) if you have any queries or aren't currently on our Sunday Group email/WhatsApp group and would like to be.

100 Club

The very first draw of St Paul's 100 Club will be done today. Thank you to all who have signed up. If you would like to join there are still numbers available, speak to Chris Dobson.

New Rota

Thank you very much for your involvement in the life, ministry and mission of the parish as Readers and Intercessors. The updated rota for readers and Intercessors at the Parish Church for April and May are at the of Church. Please pick up a copy. If you are away during this period and you are on the list of readers and intercessors, please let Ginette know. Thank you.

Parish Office

The keys for the window locks in the office have disappeared. They usually live in a brown wooden bowl on the window sill. If you are able to solve this mystery, please let us know. Thank you.

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