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St Mary's Link



ST MARY'S
SHIREHAMPTON

Easter Day

Sunday 31st March 2024

“ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. “

Upcoming Diary

TODAY



6.30am – Easter Sunrise Service in churchyard, *followed by bacon butties*.



10am – Family Easter Service with Easter Egg hunt afterwards.
Rev Alison Sowton

Monday 1st

No coffee Morning
due to Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Wednesday 3rd

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning



10.30am Goldies at St Mary's Church

Thursday 4th

11am Holy Communion Service
Rev Trevor Hearn

Friday 5th



10am – 2pm Hot Drinks & Warm Space. Hot food available in the afternoon.

Saturday 6th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 7th



No Rise & Shine today and next week



10:30am Sung Eucharist
Rev Duncan Jennings

We are pleased to welcome all who are joining us at our very special service today. We trust that you will know God's blessing. If it is your first visit then please do make yourself known to Rev Alison Sowton, one of our Church Wardens or one of the Vergers. Please stay for tea/coffee after the service.

Thank you to all who have donated towards the flowers for the church today, or at any time, and to Jill Eynon and Shelley Eynon for arranging them so beautifully.



Many thanks also to Amy and her team of Youth volunteers who put together the thought-provoking Easter Maze for Holy Week. We had many visitors from the community and local schools and the feedback has been very positive.

Mission Giving – thanks for all your suggestions for charities to support in 2024. There were very clear choices with a number of people naming certain charities, so our chosen charities for 2024 are:

Local: St Mungo's – *working to make tonight the last night on the street for thousands of people*

National: Marie Curie – *bringing clinical help and emotional support in the comfort of your own home*

International: Médecins Sans Frontières – *providing medical assistance to people affected by conflict, epidemics, disasters or exclusion from healthcare*

The Bereavement Journey returns in April, taking place on **Wednesday afternoons at 2 to 4pm from April 24th at St Edyth's Church, Sea Mills**. Please contact the church office for more details or to book – you can leave a phone message or email office@stmarysshire.org

Kitsugi Hope sessions resume on **18th April** at **St Peter's Church, Lawrence Weston**. To book, please contact Rebecca – reb.asma@outlook.com 07790 443 562.

If you are able to help run a creche at these sessions, she would love to hear from you!

ALFA Christian Community

3rd April - NO drop-in – resumes every **Wednesday afternoon, 2.30 - 4.30pm** at Fulligrove House, Woodwell Road, BS11 9UG **from 10th April**. All welcome.

For your prayers: Janet S, Maureen M, Sheila S, Julie M, Alexandra, Logan, Solveig G, Vicki C, Sue S, Maureen G, Graham, June B, Michael C, Owen, Muriel V.

From our Parish Prayer list for April

Grove Leaze, Springfield Avenue,
Burnham Road, Passage Leaze,
Springfield Lawns, Station Road, Hung Road,
Penhill Care Home
& Mama Bears Pre-School & Nursery



Vicar: Revd Alison Sowton – 330 3452 / 0773 971 2548 – revalison@stmarysshire.org
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Work hours: Mon to Thurs 9.30am – 2.30pm

Voluntary Songs	Intermezzo sonata no 6 J Rheinberger Jesus Christ is ris'n today He has risen (screen) Joyful, joyful
Communion	Christ the Lord is risen again A Foster Thine be the glory
Voluntary	Toccatina & fugue D minor Bach

Post Communion Prayer
Faithful God,
may we who share this banquet
glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus
Christ,
our salvation, life and hope,
who reigns as Lord now and for ever.
Amen.

Acts 10: 34 - 43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.
³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus
Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee
after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the
Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were
oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both
in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God
raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us
who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose
from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the
one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about
him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Matthew 28: 1 – 10

28 After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the
other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an
angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on
it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him
the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, 'Do not
be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he
has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and
tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of
you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' ⁸ So they left the
tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met
them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped
him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to
Galilee; there they will see me.'

2nd Sunday of Easter - Sunday 7th April

Epistle: Acts 4: 32 - 35

Gospel: John 20: 19 - 31