



Knowing Christ, Making Him Known

7th – 14th April Easter 2

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Sun 7th	10:30am	Parish Eucharist (St James and YouTube)
	3:30pm	Reflective Worship (St James and YouTube)
Tues 9th	10am	Welcome Café (Church House)
	11:30am	Craft Club (Church House)
Thurs 11th	10:30am	Eucharist (St James)
Fri 12th	10:00am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
Sat 13th	9am	Parish Prayers (zoom)
Sun 14th	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Eucharist (St John's)
	10:30am	Morning Worship (St James & YouTube)
	10:30am	Eucharist (Christ the King)

Parish Notices

Parish Office We are pleased to announce that Emily Ellis has been appointed to the position of Parish Administration Manager and will be taking up her role on 8th April, initially working with Belinda. Please remember the office is **closed to visitors** on Mondays.

Heating - We do not routinely heat Church and Church House between April and September- but it can get very chilly. Please contact Kate C 07562664163 to be shown how to put the heating on (and OFF!) if needed.

Red double knitting yarn is available from the Parish Office £3 for 100g ball – still more is required for the poppy knitters please!

Quingo Evening and Supper Saturday 27th April 7:30pm Church House. Please give names to the Parish Office or Gill Gough 0121 603 2636. Cost £8 pay on the night and bring your own drinks.

The sharing box will be at the back of church today (first Sunday) Please help yourself to anything you can use.

Margaret Astley's Funeral is on Friday 19th April, 1pm at Robin Hood Crematorium and afterwards at The Plume of Feathers 2-4pm. All who knew Margaret are welcome to attend, but please advise the Parish Office by **12th April** if you wish to go so her family can have numbers of attendees.

GrowBaby the charity is closed for the month of April.

ADAVU still on the hunt for first size baby clothes, either new or slightly used, baby boy due middle of May.

Foodbank any non-perishable items can be brought to the Parish Office.

Computer Courses – Bob Ireland from the Baptist Church is running free online computer courses covering Word, Excel, Email, Powerpoint etc on Monday afternoons or Tuesday mornings from 22nd April. For more info contact him on 0121 745 6471. Bob also resets to Factory Settings and then recycles to needy recipients unwanted mobile phones and computer equipment. Please leave any equipment (with passwords) in the Parish Office and he will collect.

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(Rest Day is Friday)

For Prayer those who offer ministry in music

Those who have died

Years Mind Frederick Plimmer, Edna Wicketts, Wilfred Blizard, Babe Gale, Peter Houghton, Blanche Wallace, Magaret Clifford, Paul Chapman, Jean Elkin, Rev. Jeremy Knapp, Doris Squires.

Coming up...

Coffee Morning – Monday 8th April at St John's Church, 10.30am – 12noon. All welcome!

Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings for Sunday 7th April

Acts 4.32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

1 John 1.1-2.2

We write to you about the Word of life, which has existed from the very beginning. We have heard it, and we have seen it with our eyes; yes, we have seen it, and our hands have touched it. When this life became visible, we saw it; so we speak of it and tell you about the eternal life which was with the Father and was made known to us. What we have seen and heard we announce to you also, so that you will join with us in the fellowship that we have with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We write this in order that our joy may be complete. Now the message that we have heard from his Son and announce is this: God is light, and there is no darkness at all in him. If, then, we say that we have fellowship with him, yet at the same time live in the darkness, we are lying both in our words and in our actions. But if we live in the light—just as he is in the light—then we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from every sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and there is no truth in us. But if we confess our sins to God, he will keep his promise and do what is right: he will forgive us our sins and purify us from all our wrongdoing. If we say that we have not sinned, we make a liar out of God, and his word is not in us. I am writing this to you, my children, so that you will not sin; but if anyone does sin, we have someone who pleads with the Father on our behalf—Jesus Christ, the righteous one. And Christ himself is the means by which our sins are forgiven, and not our sins only, but also the sins of everyone.

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.

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 3.12-19

1 John 3.1-7

Luke 24.36b-48

If you wish to contribute to the notice sheet, please contact the Parish Office by 9am Wednesday (max of 3 sentences). Longer articles to shirlevparishmagazine@gmail.com by the 12th