



Parish of St Mary the Virgin  
East Grinstead

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
12<sup>th</sup> May 10am

*Organ Prelude: Prelude & Fugue in C BWV547 JSBach*

*Setting: Mass of St Thomas Thorne*

*A bell is rung and the congregation stand and face the back of church.*

*During Eastertide, the penitential rite takes the form of sprinkling with the waters of baptism, blessed by Fr Adam at our Easter Vigil. The altar party, servers and choir enter church through the main doors, where the celebrant, dressed in cope, prays this prayer.*

***The Easter Sprinkling Rite***

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

*All: He is risen indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

*All: Amen.*

The Lord be with you.

*All: And also with you.*

Dear brothers and sisters, let us praise the Lord our God for this water he has created, and which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism. May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

Let us pray

Father, God of mercy, through these waters of baptism you have filled us with new life as your very own children. From all who are baptised in water and the Holy Spirit, you have formed one people, united in your Son Jesus Christ. You have set us free and filled our hearts with the Spirit of your love, that we may live in your peace.

You call those who have been baptised to announce the Good News of Jesus Christ to people everywhere. We pray, that by the mystery of this consecrated water we may be reminded of our new and spiritual birth in baptism through Christ our Lord.

*All: Amen.*

## ***Processional Hymn***

### ***476 Ye servants of God***

*The entrance procession and entrance hymn then begin as usual. The priest sprinkles the people as he makes his way to the sanctuary.*

*When the hymn has finished and the clergy have returned to their place, the priest prays this prayer.*

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia..

## ***Gloria in Excelsis***

*Bells may be rung during the gloria:*

***All: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.***

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you; we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

## ***The Collect***

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

***All: Amen.***

## ***The Liturgy of the Word***

### ***First Reading***

*Acts 1:15-17,20-26*

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: ‘Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. Now in the Book of Psalms it says: Let someone else take his office. ‘We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling round with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.’ Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, ‘Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.’ They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All: Thanks be to God*

### ***Responsorial Psalm***

***R: The Lord has set his sway in heaven.***

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. **R**

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins. **R**

The Lord has set his sway in heaven  
and his kingdom is ruling over all.  
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,  
mighty in power, fulfilling his word. **R**

## ***Second Reading***

*1 John 4:11-16*

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

This is the word of the Lord.

***All: Thanks be to God***

## ***Gospel Acclamation***

*Please stand*

***All: Alleluia, alleluia!***

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.

***All: Alleluia!***

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

***All: Glory to you O Lord***

## ***Gospel***

*John 17:11-19*

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world,

I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All: Praise to you O Christ.*

### *Sermon*

#### *The Creed*

*On Sundays and Principal Holy Days ALL STAND to recite the Nicene Creed*

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

*All bow for these words*

**Who for us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

#### *Prayers of Intercession*

*The intercessions may end with:*

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary mother of God pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Please stand (if able)*

### ***The Peace***

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:* **and also with you.**

*The deacon or priest then says:*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange a brief sign of peace with those nearest you.*

### ***Offertory Hymn***

#### ***352 Crown him with many crowns***

Pray, dear friends, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

*All:* **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Holy Church.**

### ***Prayer Over the Gifts***

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that through these acts of devotedness we may pass over to the glory of heaven.

Through Christ our Lord.

*All:* **Amen**

### ***The Eucharistic Prayer***

*The priest says or sings:*

The Lord be with you     *All* **and also with you**

Lift up your hearts.     *All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The priest begins the prayer. After the preface all respond with:*

*All:* **Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest**

*Please kneel or sit.*

*The prayer continues until this acclamation is used:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

*All*     **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

*At the end of The Eucharistic Prayer all respond boldly: All: Amen.*

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

*All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.*

**Amen.**

### ***Breaking of the Bread***

We break this bread, to share in the Body of Christ.

*All: Though we are many, we are one Body, because we all share in one bread.*

### ***The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)***

*All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

### **The Giving of Holy Communion**

*The priest invites people to communion with these or similar words:*

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blesséd are those who are called to his supper.

*All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.*

### ***Communion Antiphon***

Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.

*If you receive communion in any church, you are welcome to do so here. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bring this order of service with you, and bow your head. Intinction (dipping the Host into the Precious Blood) is performed by the priest/eucharistic minister **only**.*

***Communion Anthem***

**O for a closer walk with God** *Stanford*

***Communion Hymn***

**277 Bread of the world in mercy broken**

***Prayer after Communion***

*Please stand (if able)*

Hear us, O God our Saviour, and grant us confidence, that through these sacred mysteries there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church what has already come to pass in Christ her Head. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All: Amen**

***The Notices & the Wedding Banns are Read.***

*Please sit*

***The Blessing and Dismissal***

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The blessing is given.*

May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

**Amen.**

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

**Amen.**

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

**Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**



With the risen life of Christ within you, go in the peace of Christ.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

***Recessional hymn***

***296 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour.***

*The altar party and choir gather around the image of Our Lady, as we sing.*

***Regina Cæli***

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

**V** Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

**R** For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.

O God, by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought joy to the whole world: grant that, by the help of his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life; through Christ the Lord.

**R Amen**

*Organ Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in C BWV547 JSBach*

***Events & Services***

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

***Thy Kingdom Come Mass 7pm***

**Thursday**

***Mass 10am***

*(followed by fresh coffee in the vestry)*

**Sunday**

***Said Mass 8am,***

*(Every week)*

***Parish Mass 10am***

*(followed by Coffee & Chat in the Parish Hall.)*

***First Sunday in the Month is Family Mass at 11am***

### Intercessions

**We pray for God's blessing on the life of our church and upon the other congregations of our town.**

Trinity Methodist Church

**We pray for:** All who live in Hermitage Rd, Bellaggio Place, Wells Lea

**Please pray for those in need of healing:** Isabel Orton, Jean Searles, David Tass, Jorgie, Margaret Barnett, Karen Wilson, Timothy, John Railton, Benedict Wogan, Alan Gibbons.

**Please pray for all the departed**

**Recently:**

**Anniversary:** Guy Read, Angela Carter

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## Notices

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting** and Election of Church Wardens and PCC members will be held following Mass on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May. Nomination forms are at the back of church.

**Christian Aid Week** is next week when we try to raise as much money as possible so that Christian Aid can continue it's fight against poverty. We no longer deliver envelopes to houses in our parish so we are trying other ways to raise money for this very worthwhile charity. We are making and selling posies at the plant sale. We are suggesting that we all donate generously for our coffee after church. We are holding a Coffee Morning on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 10.30am to 12 noon £5.00 for unlimited coffee and cake. The baby and toddler group give donations for their refreshments. We hope these actions will not only raise money but also highlight the work of Christian aid in helping those "who do not choose to be poor"

**Baptism** Please pray for those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism in our parish;

16th June - Benedict Charles Magnus Wogan

30th June - Penelope Mary Grace Smith

Please come and support the candidates and their families on these special days.

### **Thy Kingdom Come 9th -19th May 2024**

There is today, Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May a Joint Service at 6pm at St John's Felbridge. People can access daily prayers by going to the TKC web site [www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global)

**(14<sup>th</sup> May the TKC Mass with be at St Mary's at 7pm)**

### **Alzheimer's society sponsored walk.**

Steve Pond is taking part with nine members of his close family in Trek26. A 26-mile sponsored walk across central London to raise money for the Alzheimer's society. Steve's sponsorship form will be at the back of the church and in the hall afterwards also. All sponsorship of whatever amount is gratefully received for this very good cause.



**ST MARY'S CHURCH**

**PARISH BBQ**

**7TH JULY, 2024**

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**FOLLOWING THE  
FAMILY MASS**