

# NEWSLETTER

## EASTER SUNDAY



### HAPPY EASTER!

#### How wonderful, we can celebrate Easter in church this year

##### This Lent, despite lockdown and social distancing we have

- Followed "The Worship in Wilderness" Course, both as the theme for our Lent Services and an interesting Lent Course held on Zoom.
- Run a very successful Alpha Course, also on Zoom.
- Stations of the Cross have been available on You tube.
- Not forgotten our children. Sunday Club have been very busy. (page 3)  
They made posies for 'Mums' to collect from the churchyard – the posies went very quickly!  
They followed an Easter Trail/Egg hunt through the churchyard on Palm Sunday  
They had a special out door service on Good Friday.
- Shared the Easter Trail/Egg Hunt with the children at Bletchingley Village School
- Commemorated The last supper on Maundy Thursday, although social distancing did not permit foot washing. This was followed by the Vigil.
- Followed the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday in the afternoon followed by the Tenebrae Service in the evening. (This service has been viewed over 100 times on You tube)
- Decorated the church for Easter as you will see from the photos on page6 and 7

None of this can happen without the tireless inspiring work of our Rector.

THANK YOU VERY VERY much Phe.

Our organist has also done amazing work with the choir to produce all the music for our services and in particular last night and the Tenebrae Service. THANK YOU Ian ( all this whilst doing his day job and running a very successful vaccination programme for Oxted!)

We will continue to remember and pray for all those who feel unable to return to church yet. Our Sunday services will continue to be on you tube as is the Tenebrae if you missed it on Friday.

[Benefice of Bletchingley and Nutfield - YouTube](#) (under videos).

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKjwHlZkSxgvOqekIxxw2Chw>

Don't forget the Bishop's Lent Call. (page 4)

Over the last few weeks there have been articles in the newsletter about the Bishop's Lent Call. Sadly for the first time ever the Bishop failed to raise the money he had hoped for last year because of the pandemic. He is hoping for a lot of support this year. He says, in his letter, *'For many in our communities and Link Dioceses, not having enough to eat is sadly and appallingly now a regular occurrence. I urge you all to pray for those in these situations and to consider prayerfully what you can give to help to support them.'*

You can donate by credit transfer to the church bank account at Natwest Bank.

Bank details: sort code 60-16-09 account number 71583467 reference LENT CALL.

## Easter Sunday

Services continue to be premiered on You Tube

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**The Collect:** Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. All Amen.

**Acts 10. 34-43**

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

**Mark 16. 1-8**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" Then they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**Prayers**

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. Amen

Risen Lord Jesus, as Mary Magdalene met you in the garden on the morning of your resurrection, so may we meet you today and every day: speak to us as you spoke to her; reveal yourself as the living Lord; renew our hope and kindle our joy; and send us to share the good news with others. Amen

Today we rejoice in the salvation of the world. Christ is risen; let us arise in him! Christ enters new life; let us live in him! Christ has come forth from the tomb; Let us shake off the fetters of evil! The gates of hell are open, the powers of evil are overcome! In Christ a new creation is coming to birth, Alleluia! Lord make us new, Alleluia! Amen

Living God, you have given us a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead: grant that we, being risen with Him, may fix our hearts on heavenly things and share eternal life. Amen

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight; and may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen

**Daily Readings for the week April 5th to April 10th**

<b>Monday, April 5,</b>	Genesis 1:1-19;	1 Corinthians 15:35-49
<b>Tuesday, April 6,</b>	Genesis 1:20-2:4a;	1 Corinthians 15:50-58
<b>Wednesday, April 7,</b>	Song of Solomon 3:1-11;	Mark 16:1-8
<b>Thursday, April 8,</b>	Daniel 1:1-21;	Acts 2:42-47
<b>Friday, April 9,</b>	Daniel 2:1-23;	Acts 4:23-31
<b>Saturday, April 10,</b>	Daniel 2:24-49;	John 12:44-50

**If you are unwell, have any problems, would like help**

Please do contact the Rector

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The Benefice Office is manned on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9am to 5pm  
[parishofmarypeterpaul@outlook.com](mailto:parishofmarypeterpaul@outlook.com)

**Easter Trail**

We welcomed 28 children to the Churchyard on Palm Sunday afternoon to complete our Easter Trail and claim their prizes (as well as chase each other around the place and climb trees together!). It wasn't warm but the rain held off and a wonderful time was had by all. It was lovely to see so many children enjoying the Churchyard.





## Bishop's Lent Call



### Lent Call 2021 projects

#### **Projects in Zimbabwe**

Initiatives supporting food security, water supplies, and infrastructure in our Link Dioceses of Central Zimbabwe, Matabeleland, Masvingo and Manicaland.

#### **The Diocese of Jerusalem**

Helping our new Link Diocese in Jerusalem to support up to 50 vulnerable families to feed themselves.

#### **Projects in the Diocese of Southwark**

St Matthew, Redhill Food Bank

Wandsworth Food Bank

Norwood & Brixton Food Bank

Together Southwark: Lunchbox Library

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# Modern Slavery

## Webinar



**SATURDAY 24TH  
APRIL 2021**

**9.30–11.45 am**

Zoom waiting room opens  
9.15am

### **SPEAKERS:**

**CAROLYN THOM**

Their Voice

**ROSS SPANTON**

Reigate and Banstead Council

**JENNIFER HYDE &**

**JENNY RAYNER**

Reigate Archdeaconry Social  
Justice Focus

**Chief Superintendent**

**CLIVE DAVIES &**

**Detective Constable**

**BEX DAVIES**

Surrey Police

**Rt Revd. JONATHAN**

**CLARK &**

**Ven. MOIRA ASTIN**

Diocese of Southwark

## Find out more and how to help fight it

Why can't victims of modern slavery just walk away?

Offenders use debt bondage to control them, enforced through threats of violence and intimidation.

Modern slavery offenders make money directly from the exploitation of vulnerable people. Vulnerable individuals are exploited for their labour, in sex work, and in criminal activity such as drug supply and theft, generating significant sums for offenders.

Find out how we can work together to do something about this crime against humanity happening here in Surrey.

This webinar hopes to bring together people to help raise awareness of the issues we are facing in the Surrey area. We hope that anyone with an interest in finding out more about these issues will join us.

Hosted by Reigate Archdeaconry Social Justice Focus, includes the Deaneries of Reigate, Tandridge and Sutton, within The Diocese of Southwark in the Church of England.

For more info or questions  
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