

Welcome

Sunday, 12 May, 2019

The Fourth Sunday of Easter (white)

EAST BARNET 
PARISH CHURCH
St Mary the Virgin

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The season of Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, which is the foundation of the Christian faith. There are forty days of Eastertide where we learn more of how death is swallowed up in victory, and of our new birth into a living hope through the resurrection.

10.00am

Parish Eucharist with prayers for healing, and Sunday Club

This service will be led by Bishop Stephen Venner

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¶ Opening Hymn

17 All people that on earth do dwell

¶ Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life; raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

¶ First Reading

Acts 9.36-end

¶ Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 **He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**
- 3 He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.
- 6 **Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

¶ Second Reading

Revelation 7.9-end

¶ Gospel

John 10.22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

¶ Offertory Hymn

During this hymn a collection will be taken

259 Jerusalem the Golden

¶ Communion and Prayers for Healing

There will be no music during Communion. If you would like prayer for yourself or someone else, please make your way to the Sanctuary after you have received Communion or a blessing, and speak to the Healing Team.

¶ Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again; keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

¶ Closing Hymn

186 Great is thy faithfulness

¶ The Vacancy Prayer

God of our past, present and future, you call us to follow in faith, with confidence in your abiding presence. Be with us in this time of vacancy, and prepare us for a new chapter in our ministry together in Christ's name. Give wisdom and discernment to those who act on our behalf, that your will may be done to the glory of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen**

¶ Please pray for

Our Wardens, Associate Priest, Reader, Parish Administrator and PCC, and all those involved in caring for us in the vacancy. The Rev'd Dr Alec Corio, Sam, Nathaniel and Josiah as they prepare for his ministry here.

Our Annual Church Meetings, those laying aside responsibilities, and those taking up or continuing in office.

All victims of war, natural disasters, famine, and refugees; the emergency services.

For Members of Parliament in their deliberations, and all who seek to influence public opinion at this time.

Those who have asked for our prayers

Trevor and Luke; Janet; Don, Jilly and family; Deborah and family; Joan; Janet; Carmen; Audrey and Frank; Emma and Max; Maria and Edward; Barry and Claire; Frank and Barbara; Callum; Ian, Ali, Sue, Aiden, Brian and Gill; Shelagh; Ella; Siobhan, Sarah, Anthony, Ciara and Liam

Rest in peace

Michael Aley, Pauline Pateman, Alan Moorhouse

Anniversary of death

Leonard LeDain

Those living in

Ferney Road, Friars Walk, Gallants Farm Road



¶ New Rector arrival dates

We now have the dates when the Rev'd Dr Alec Corio will be installed, and when he will be beginning his ministry here. The installation will be on **Wednesday 3 July**, time to be arranged, and will be conducted by the Bishop of St Albans. Everyone is welcome to join us.

The first service Alec will be presiding and preaching at will be on **Sunday 28 July at 10.00am**.

Please continue to pray for Alec and his family, and everyone who is caring for the church in the vacancy, as we prepare to welcome them all.

¶ Chipping Barnet Food Bank

Currently, the food bank has the following shortages:

Tinned fish, longlife milk, tinned soup, long life juice/squash, jam.

While these are their immediate needs, they are now low on most stock lines. Most weeks they are now having to purchase some food; they are feeding a lot more people this year as Universal Credit is rolled out across Barnet.

They have plenty of tinned spaghetti and pulses. Donations can be left in the box in the South Aisle and in the atrium at Brookside.

Thank you for your kind help to local people in crisis.

¶ Spirituality Day and Evening courses

Details of the Cockfosters Centre for Spirituality courses this summer, based at Vita et Pax Church near Cockfosters, are available on yellow paper on the table under the noticeboard at the back of church.

¶ Spring into Summer Concert

Sunday 19 May at 3.00pm
The Spiral Saxophone Quartet

Admission with programme costs £5 on the door and refreshments are available. .

¶ Christian Aid Week 12-18 May

Sunday 12 May 1pm Christian Aid Inter-Church Rounders Match in Oak Hill Park - please speak to Gail if you can help with this in any way, or if you want to join our team!

Street Collection, East Barnet Village, 18 May - Please also speak to Gail if you can help with this very important contribution to ending poverty.

Gail Philips 020 8368 3073

Petition the Chancellor to push for the IMF to drop Sierra Leone's debt in the wake of the Ebola crisis, at

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/christian-aid-week/campaign-petition-drop-sierra-leone-debt> ..

Notices & Information

¶ Some more dates for your diaries

Saturday 18 May 2.30pm Wedding of Andrew Earwaker and Dinah O'Brien

Sunday 19 May 10am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club led by Bishop Andrew Proud, followed by a Bring and Share Lunch, so that we can greet Andrew, who used to be our Rector, and his wife Janice.

Thursday 23 May European Elections. As Brookside is used as a Polling Station, the Parish Office will have to close on that day. There will be no Little Tots, as the Brookside Communion will take place in the hall.

Thursday 30 May Ascension Day

8pm Parish Eucharist

"Thy Kingdom Come" prayer initiative begins - please register yourself on <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/> and join in. On **Saturday 1 June** from 10am to 2pm the church will be open for everyone to pray here, and there will be prayer stations to help you.

Sunday 2 June Community Fun Day organised by the local churches, on the Danegrove field (corner of Park Road and Cat Hill) including an ecumenical service at **11am**, and followed by free food, refreshments, music, games, bouncy castle, face painting, arts and crafts, penalty shoot-out, basketball competition etc. Everyone is welcome and it's all free! We will also have a **6.30pm** Parish Eucharist at St Mary's.

Saturday 22 June Albantide Pilgrimage and festival.

The Pilgrimage procession, with giant puppets, leaves St Peter's Church at 11am and there will be a **Festival Eucharist** at the Abbey afterwards. Please check the St Albans Abbey website for more details of services, including some excellent preachers. Also taking place on the **Abbey Orchard from 12-6pm Alban Fest!** will have something for everyone: exciting entertainments, crafts, games, food and music. Again, please see the St Albans Abbey Website.

Friday 28 June 7.30pm Women's Group evening in church with pizza, salad and a fun quiz! The cost will be £10 - please let Margaret know if you hope to be there.

Friday 5 - Sunday 7 July East Barnet Festival

"The finest free festival in North London." Market stalls, theatre, dogs, cars, dance, music, funfair, beers, coffee, teas, food from around the world, and a barbeque, all in Oak Hill Park. Lots of indoor and outdoor stalls and events.

We will have a **10am All Age Eucharist** at St Mary's that morning, then join other East and New Barnet churches for an ecumenical **Songs of Praise service in the Park at 11.45am.**

¶ Church School admission

Parents and guardians of children who will be applying for admission to church schools should sign in the book confirming their attendance at our Sunday services, to support their application. The book is available from a Churchwarden.

¶ The next Green Christian-Barnet Event

Saturday, 18th May, from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon, Refreshments from 9.45 am. St John's URC Church, Somerset Rd, New Barnet, EN5 1RH.

TOPIC: "Climate Change – Which Way Forward?"

Looking at options – including: faith, politics & protests? Contributions from Christian Climate Action / XR Supporters. Plus: news, resources, information and civilised discussion! ALL are very welcome from all local communities. (More details: from Ants: 07990 793 046; f/b: Climate Concern (use capital "C"s as here)

¶ Rest in Peace

Some of you may remember Pauline Pateman, who was a member of our congregation and served as Churchwarden here some time ago. She has died, and her funeral will be in church on **Tuesday 14 May at 11am**, followed by a private committal at New Southgate Cemetery.

We have also heard of the death of Alan Moorehouse, who attended church here and was known to many of us. His funeral will be in Chipping Barnet on Tuesday 28 May. Please pray for their families and all who knew them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

¶ Contact Details Update

We put together a Parish Directory four years ago and we need to make sure it is up to date. If we have your email address, you should have received an email from the Parish Office this week. If you did not, please email the office with your address and phone numbers so we can contact you easily. Your contact details will be kept securely and not passed on to any other organisation. Many thanks!

¶ Table Top Sale

Many thanks to everyone who helped make our Table Top Sale yesterday such a success. We really appreciate all your hard work.

Notices & Information

¶ Next Sunday, 19 May, 2019

The Fifth Sunday of Easter (white)

10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club

This service will be led by Bishop Andrew Proud and the service will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch

Christian Aid Week Commissioning Prayer

Jesus said: 'My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.'

Listen now to the Shepherd's voice.

Follow him where he might lead you this week, whether to green pastures or by still waters, ... to sponsored events or street collections.

EVERY ONE OF US CAN HELP SAVE LIVES.

Wherever we follow him

May we all be midwives of hope

Bringing fullness of life

To our communities

And standing together

For equality

For dignity

For justice In the world.

Go now to love and serve the Lord

and the world God so loves. **Amen**

¶ This week

Monday 13 May

9.30am Staff prayers and meeting
1.30pm Monday Club at Brookside
8.00pm PCC in church

Tuesday 14 May

11.00am Funeral of Pauline Pateman in church
8.00pm Choir practice in church

Wednesday 15 May

10.00am Holy Communion
4.00pm Junior Choir at Brookside

Thursday 16 May

10.00am Little Tots at Brookside
10.45am Communion at Brookside
5.45pm Brownies at Brookside
7.30pm Guides at Brookside
7.45pm Talk and discussion on Dementia at St Andrew's Church Hall, Totteridge

Saturday 18 May

Christian Aid street collection in East Barnet Village

9.45am for 10am Green Christian Barnet event at St John's URC
2.30pm Wedding of Andrew Earwaker and Dinah O'Brien

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