

KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH
Five Churches One Parish One Lord

THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

Churches of St Cassian's, St Cecilia's,
St Chad's, St George's & St Mary's Stone

11th April 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our Services both Online and in Church

All churches in the parish will reopen this Sunday in line with the relaxation of the national Lockdown. Covid-19 restrictions remain in place including the wearing of face coverings, 2m distancing, hand-sanitising and dismissal row by row. If you can't get to one of our churches there is still an online service via Zoom which we would love to welcome you to. All details are below.

COLLECT

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

READINGS

Acts 4:32 - 35
1 John 1:1 - 2:2
John 20:19 - end

If you have no internet, you can still join the online service, (by phone) as follows:

Tel: 0203 051 2874

Meeting ID: 843 4216 5154

Password: 802757

iPhone one tap mobile number:
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SUNDAY 11th APRIL

ST CASSIAN'S

9:30am Worship for All

ST CECILIA'S

11:00am Holy Communion

ST CHAD'S

9:30am Holy Communion

ST GEORGE'S

11:00am Morning Worship

6:30pm Evening Prayer

ST MARY'S, STONE

11:00am Holy Communion

ONLINE

11:00am Morning Worship (via Zoom)

To "attend" the online service, and/or receive the order of service, please send an email to:

parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk

by **12:00 noon** on Saturday **10th April**.

A children's resource pack is available on request from helengrist@gmx.co.uk



Kidderminster East Youth (KEY)

Sunday 11th April 6.00pm online via Zoom. For further info please contact Grace (07807 647279) or Richard (07843 136785)

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 9th April

The readings at this end of the week turn us to remember that the Resurrection of Jesus does not change only his lifeless position. John, in his gospel, records the occasions when Jesus says “*I am ...*” and here we are told “*I am the Resurrection and the Life*”. Before his resurrection we have these three dramatic raisings of others from the dead, which show that his words are not mere theory. How much more then, after his own resurrection, should we have confidence to believe that new life of Jesus is applicable to us here and now. Get those Easter eggs inside you: get the new life of Jesus in there too! ***Hallelujah, Christ is risen!***

Daily Readings for week beginning **Monday 12th April:**

Mon 12th Apr	John 20:1 - 10	Tues 13th Apr	John 20:11 - 18
Wed 14th Apr	John 20:19 - end	Thurs 15th Apr	John 21:1 - 14
Fri 16th Apr	John 21:15 - 19	Sat 17th Apr	John 21:20 - end

There will be videos from David and Robert on the parish [YouTube channel](#) each Monday and Thursday, based on the above readings. Please take a look.

Parish Prayers Online via Zoom

There will be **NO Morning Prayer** services during the week **12th - 17th April**. They will return, as normal, at **8:00am 19th April onwards**, daily except Friday and Sunday.

Parish Prayer Meeting: Next meeting will be on **Wed 14th April**, and they are now back to **fortnightly**. Login from 7:20pm onwards for **7:30pm** start, finishing by 8:00pm. Please come along and pray the work of Christ in this Easter season, the recovery of the parish after lockdown, and for other events, further afield. Open to all in the parish.



Contemplative Prayer: There will be **NO PRAYER MEETING** on **Thursday, 15th April**, but we will be back again on **Thursday 22nd April** and every Thursday thereafter at **7:00pm** using our usual 25 - 30 minute **Northumbria Community** style. All welcome.

To join **any** of the above Prayers please email parishcomms@kidderminstereast.org.uk requesting a copy of the link & password, **by 6pm on the day before the meeting**.

Diocesan News

You can still read the Easter Messages from the Bishop of Worcester, John Inge, and Bishop of Dudley, Martin Gorick on the Diocesan website www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

Finding something good to watch on TV can be *Impossible*. It's just not *Tenable*, one could say a bit *Pointless*, trying to find a programme worth watching. If you could *Only Connect* with something worthwhile. Find your *Tipping Point* by watching the [Diocesan Virtual Passion Play](#) instead. It's only 17 mins long but it's really the *One Show* for me!



[COP26](#) is the 26th **United Nations Climate Change Conference**, which is scheduled to be held in Glasgow from 1st to 12th November 2021. The latest edition of [Called to Action](#) focusses on how you can join the journey to COP26. Commit to walking the number of miles from your home to Glasgow (about 300) between now and November and join the dedicated [Facebook group](#) to encourage each others and share stories.

Download the **April Prayer Diary** from <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/prayer-diary/>

Electoral Roll Revision

This year sees a revision of the Parish Electoral Roll. This means that any existing names are carried forward from the current roll and any new applications must apply to go on the new Electoral Roll. Any changes to existing records eg. address, contact details etc. must also be made using the application forms.

If anyone wishes to stand for election to the offices of churchwarden and/or District Church Council (DCC) / Parochial Church Council (PCC) member then you have to be entered onto the roll before nomination to the PCC, and have been on the current or new roll for at least 6 months at the date of the individual church Annual General Meeting (AGM) or the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Not being on the Church Electoral Roll also affects your eligibility to vote on AGM, APCM. PCC and DCC decisions.

Application forms are now in the Churches that are open or are available from the Electoral Roll Officers and Parish Office. If you wish to apply to be on the Electoral Roll, or need to notify any changes, please complete and return a form to the Parish Office by **Sunday 2nd May 2021**. If you have any queries, please speak to the Church Electoral Roll Officers or Parish Electoral Roll Officers (Bob or Maddy Smith), who can be contacted on 07791 804135.

Congratulations

Anne and Glenn Scott wish to share with the whole parish community their joy at reaching their **50th Wedding Anniversary** on Saturday 10th April.



We wish them a very happy day and hope they have many more.



Holland House

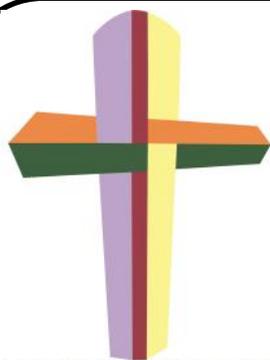
The diocesan retreat house, **Holland House**, is hoping to re-open from **17th May** with their quiet garden days starting on **20th May** and they are now taking bookings for these dates. In the meantime it continues to run various online events including a virtual coffee morning on **17th April** and a one-day online retreat on **1st May**. This centre needs your support at this time. Please take a look at their calendar at www.hollandhouse.org. Thank you



Requests for Prayer.

- As we come out of Lockdown may we have the courage to return to church services so that we can truly celebrate the Easter Season with each other.
- For the many areas of the world where the virus is still raging, exacerbating poverty and injustice, causing further despair and pain.
- For those closer to home who find themselves in need of foodbanks to feed their families; may the Lord show them his mercy and love.

*Would you like to be included in the Parish Newsletter for prayer?
Please contact the Parish Office for more details.*



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18th April 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our Services both Online and in Church

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Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with
boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim
your risen life and fill us with
your peace, to the glory of
God the Father.

READINGS

Acts 3:12 - 19

1 John 3:1 - 7

Luke 24:36b - 48

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still join the online service,
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Tel: 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 814 4371 5060

Password: 010225

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SUNDAY 18th APRIL

ST CASSIAN'S

9:30am Holy Communion

6:30pm Evening Prayer

ST CECILIA'S

11:00am Morning Worship

ST CHAD'S

9:30am Morning Worship

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Parish Prayerlink

Prayer requests can be emailed to
prayerlink@kidderminstereast.org.uk.
Our praying friends across the whole
parish are happy to pray for you.
Alternately, Glenn & Anne Scott can take
requests for prayer. Phone 01562 822690
or email on glennscott@mac.com.

Dates for your Diary

The next **PCC meeting** is on **Monday 26th April**, 7:30pm, held online via Zoom.

The **Annual Meeting of Parishioners**
and **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**
(**APCM**) will be on **Mon 24th May**, 7:30pm.
It is hoped that it will be possible to hold
this in person at St George's Church.

Faithful Friday Blog Post from Revd David Hildred for Friday 16th April

These incidents after the Resurrection show that the message of the new life of Jesus had not yet fully sunk in to even the closest disciples of Jesus. And so we have this tender encounter between Peter and Jesus: Peter who denied knowing Jesus three times on the night of his betrayal is helped to acknowledge his love for Jesus three times. Jesus restores Peter, he brings new life to him. Jesus deals with us as individuals: he says to Peter, *“Don’t worry about him (John), simply attend to how you follow me”*. Let’s expect the Resurrection to go on making a deep impact upon us, and let’s attend to how we follow the one who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Daily Readings for week beginning Monday 19th April:

Mon 19th Apr	Ephesians 1:1-14	Tues 20th Apr	Ephesians 1:15-end
Wed 21st Apr	Ephesians 2:1-10	Thurs 22nd Apr	Ephesians 2:11-end
Fri 23rd Apr	<i>George, martyr, patron of England</i> Ephesians 6:10-20		
Sat 24th Apr	Ephesians 4:14-end		

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The Friends of St Cassian’s

invite you to a
fund raising illustrated talk on Zoom
Thursday 6th May at 7.30 pm

“Sacred Places of the World”

by Sylvia Beardshaw

Illustrated with pictures taken on her travels, all around the world, looking at some of the buildings and sites associated with beliefs of the world both past and present. To book please email Sylvia on rhbsb@ukgateway.net or telephone 01562 777955. You will then be sent a link for the show and invited to make a donation.

Bible Society - Bible Trek



Join Andrew Ollerton as he journeys around a pre-Covid Holy Land, discovering the places we’ve all heard of from Bible Stories. He visits Jerusalem, Galilee, Ephesus and other locations; visualising and experiencing the biblical accounts in a fresh way. Learn more with the accompanying historical notes and devotional reflections. Eastertide is the idea time to look back at Jesus Passion through these [11 short video episodes](#).



Newsletter Dates

The next parish newsletter will be published on **Friday 23rd April** and will cover Sundays **25th April** and **2nd May**. Deadline for copy is midnight on Tuesday **20th April**. Thank you.

Wednesday Services

We will restart midweek services with Holy Communion at **St George’s** on **Wednesday 28th April** at 10:00am and fortnightly thereafter.

Mary Newell, Licensed Lay Minister based at St George's, has decided that it is time to reduce the amount of public ministry she is involved in, and so the 11:00am service on **Sunday 25th April** will be her final Sunday 'on duty'. This is a 'reduction' rather than 'cessation', since there will be other aspects of ministry that Mary continues with, just not the Sunday roles of leading and preaching. This notice comes with our thanks and appreciation to Mary; please feel free to add your own.

DIARY

There are no **Homegroups** during April. The **Bible Reading group** will next meet on Tuesday **20th April** at 11.00am. Parish services and other events are detailed below.

Tues 13th Apr	7:30pm	St Mary's Stone DCC	Online via Zoom
	8:30pm	St Mary's Stone AGM	Online via Zoom
Wed 14th Apr	7:30pm	Parish Prayer	Online via Zoom
Friday 16th Apr	7:00pm	KEP Quiz Night	Online via Zoom
Sunday 18th Apr	for service times please see elsewhere in this newsletter		
Mon 19th Apr	7:30pm	St George's DCC	Online via Zoom
	7:45pm	St Chad's DCC	Online via Zoom
Tues 20th Apr	7:45pm	St Cecilia's DCC	Online via Zoom
Thurs 22nd Apr	7:00pm	Contemplative Prayer	Online via Zoom
Friday 23rd Apr	7:00pm	KEP Quiz Night	Online via Zoom
Sunday 25th Apr	9:30am	Morning Worship	St Cassian's
	9:30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St Cecilia's
	11:00am	Morning Worship	St George's
	11:00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's Stone
	11:00am	Morning Worship	Online via Zoom
	6:00pm	KE Youth	Online via Zoom
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer	St George's
Mon 26th Apr	7:30pm	PCC meeting	Online via Zoom
Wed 28th Apr	10:00am	Holy Communion	St George's

Other online resources are available including the [Children's corner](#), Messy Church [Facebook group](#), Robert's Saturday morning [Children's talk video](#) plus many videos on our [YouTube channel](#), posts on our [Facebook page](#) and on the [parish website](#).

SUNDAY 25th APRIL

READINGS: Acts 4:5 - 12 1 John 3:16 - end John 10:11 - 18

SUNDAY 2nd MAY

READINGS: Acts 8:26 - end 1 John 4:7 - end John 15:1 - 8

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