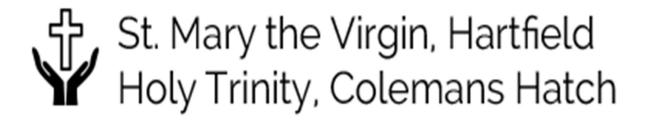
Newsletter 16th April 2023



The Second Sunday of Easter



Our Theme is: Receive the Holy Spirit

We welcome Rev Trevor Harrison to both our services this week.

9.30am – Holy Communion at St Mary's

11.am – Matins at Holy Trinity

Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. ²⁵ David said about him:

- "I saw the Lord always before me.

 Because he is at my right hand,

 I will not be shaken.
- ²⁶ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope,
- ²⁷ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay.
- ²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.'[b]

²⁹ "Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. ³⁰ But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. ³² God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

John 20: 19-31

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

- ²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."
- ²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus^[a]), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

- ²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."
- ²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
- ²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."
- ³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe^[b] that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Collects

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.

Amen

Risen Christ,

Sunday 23rd April

9.30am – Morning Worship at St Mary's

11am – Holy communion at Holy Trinity

Sunday 30th April

9.30am – Café Church with APCM at St Mary's

11am – service at Holy Trinity

Sunday 7th May

8am – BCP Holy Communion at St Mary's

9.30am – Kings Coronation Celebration at St Mary's

11am – Matins Celebration for the Kings Coronation at Holy Trinity

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Holy Trinity APCM Monday 24th April at 7pm in Trinity Hall.

Cake and coffee provided.

St Mary's Sunday 30th April in Church – 9.30am for a time of café style worship with our APCM.

Please put the dates for the APCM's in your diary.

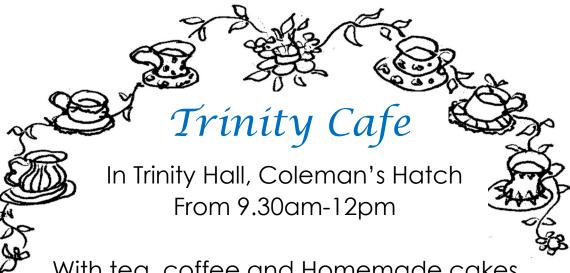
This is a significant moment in the life of the church. It is a time of thanksgiving as we look back and give thanks to God for all that He has been doing in the life of our churches and community.

It is a time to focus on the present, what are the blessings and challenges. It is also a time to look forward, to pray for the coming year with vision and hope. All ages, different skills and gifts all growing and praying together.

We elect our Churchwardens and PCC.

Please make this meeting a priority and pray for the mission and growth of our Benefice.

Rev Julie



With tea, coffee and Homemade cakes Everyone is welcome.

Next date are:
Thursday 13th April
Thursday 27th April
For more information, please contact:
Caroline Daszewska 01342 321150
Sheila Van Maurik 01892 770273
Eve James 07753 615032



Trinity Hall, behind Holy Trinity Church, Coleman's Hatch, TN7 4HN

Friday, April 21st 6.00pm

Beaverbrook

The War Years

by

Barbara Richards

The talk will begin at 6.00pm

and will last for about 45 minutes.



Refreshments will be available from 5.45 and also after the Talk, when Barbara will be happy to answer your questions.

Contact the following for more details and booking.

<u>events@colemanshatchchurch.org</u>

Caroline Daszewska- 07513 290482



TRINITY HALL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Come and join us!

Next Session Friday 28th April 7pm to 10pm

Supper Interval—bring your own. Expert caller

Everybody welcome—no experience necessary £5 per adult children free + very welcome

For more information: Caroline 07513 290482

Church Street Community Café

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2pm till 4pm Homemade cake, tea and coffee. Everyone welcome.

> Next dates are: Thursday 20th April Thursday 4th May

For more information contact Joanne Griffin on 07941 856715 or msjoannegriffin@gmail.com

Kate's Children and Youth Corner

An exciting event happening is in May. Connect@5 is going to Maycamp, a youth weekend away run by Chichester Diocese. We have 6 young people going, and we are really excited to see what God will do over that weekend.

Nearer the time we will be asking for cake and lots of prayers.

<u>Little Stars parent and toddler group</u>

At St Mary's Church
Every Monday during term time
from 9.15am – 10.45am
For ages 0-5
We play sing some songs do a bible
story.

With snacks for the children and tea and coffee for the adults.



1st & 3rd Sundays, 9.30am



MAYCAMP 8th June 22nd June 6th July-Summer social

Games, Food, Bible study

For more information contact Kate Dillingham (Children's and youth worker-St Mary's Church, Hartfield) at katedillingham97@gmail.com

> St Mary's Church Hartfield

From ages
3-6 & 7-11
years old

Dates of Sunday Discoverers
this term

16th April 7th May 21st May 4th June 18th June 2nd July 16th July

Join us for each
Sunday
discoverers as
we find out
more about
God

Year 5 and up

If you would like to get in touch with Kate her email is katedillingham97@gmail.com



This week we are praying for...

For peace and justice in our world. For the leaders of the nations. For our Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, our government and all who bear responsibility for our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response. Pray for the families we are welcoming to our Parishes, for host families and for the whole support network. For Graham Varley, currently in Moldova volunteering at a refugee camp.

For those across the world suffering from the impacts of climate change. For a greater sense of urgency from politicians and major companies in tackling the causes and consequences.

For those who are unwell including Jim; Andrea; Ardyne and Sandra; for Rosie Hewson; for those who are bereaved, including the family of Murray Hough, who died this week.

For Donna Dewar as she recovers from hip operation on Saturday 25th March.

We have been asked to pray for Teddy who is 1 and is battling Leukaemia. We pray for his parents Kate and Scott. Teddy is currently in Great Ormond Street hospital and will be there for several months, undergoing intensive treatment. Pray for the specialists who are treating him. If you would like to know more about Teddy here is the link https://gofund.me/7cb5a41c

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom

- 2 Corinthians 3:17