

SUNDAY 18TH APRIL 2021
EASTER 3



A warm welcome to everyone whether you are regular or visiting.

COLLECT:

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. **Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT: ACTS 3.12-19

¹²Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?' ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

This is the word of the Lord *All* **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: LUKE 24.36B-48

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?' ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be

proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: *All* **Praise to you, O Christ**

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week all the people who live on:

St Michael's Crescent, St Michael's Place, St Nicholas Lane and St Nicholas Crescent

We pray for those who are sick or in need at this time:

Terry Davey, Jean Wilson, Margaret Pinkney, Stephen, Jean Hollingdrake, Mary Wilkinson, Jessica, Carolyn Wood

We hold before God those who have recently died and pray for their families and friends:

Bernard Gladstone

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer:

Alice Tennant, Alice Entwistle, Daniel Severn, Philip Roy Allen, Edward Hutchinson, Joan Westran, Robert Graham Bateson, Ronald Marshall

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

There is a **PCC MEETING** on Tues 20th on zoom at 7pm to look at ministry priorities for the next 12 months.

There is a meeting on zoom for anyone on the **WELCOME TEAM**, this is including people who can't do it yet but might in the future and anyone who hasn't done it before but might be prepared to help out on a Sunday morning. Wednesday 21st 7pm on Zoom. Email parishblsnews@gmail.com for the link.

The Church service on Sunday 25th April at 10.30am will be on the Glebe Field to celebrate **ST GEORGE**

The Annual Parochial Council Meeting (**APCM**) will be on Sunday 25th April at 11.45am in Church.

ST MARK'S DAY will be celebrated with an outdoor prayer service at 3pm on Sun 25th April at St Mark's Church in **NETHER KELLET**

Don't forget the Common Worship Daily Prayer App—also available online at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>