

The Benefice of St Mary's Bocking & Panfield Church

Sunday 9th April 2023
Easter Sunday
Staying in Contact



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Forthcoming Services Hymns

St Mary's, Bocking			
Easter Sunday - 9th April	6.00am	Dawn Easter Service	See
		followed by breakfast in the Hall	special
Easter Sunday - 9th April	8am	Said Mass	booklet
Easter Sunday - 9th April	I0am	Sung Mass for Easter	
Wednesday 12th April	9.30am	Said Mass	
Low Sunday - 16th April	8am	Said Mass	Gospel Acclamation
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Panfield Church			Christ, our Passover has been sacrificed for us,
Easter Sunday - 9th April	Ham	Holy Communion	therefore let us
Tuesday 11th April	5pm	Evening Prayer/Office Hour	keep the feast.
Low Sunday - 16th April	6pm	BCP Evensong	

NOTICES

Thank you - Fr Rod would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to each and every person who has taken part in the services and preparations for Holy Week and this Easter Weekend. So many give of their time and talents in quiet ways behind the scenes to make it all happen. Thank you to you all.

May Day Raffle - Alongside the top prize of £150 we are also looking to giveaway some other incredible prizes. If you would like to offer something or could donate monies so that we can buy something to raffle off, please speak to Jo Mallows or Fr Rod.

Monday May 1st - May Fayre helpers needed! Please have a think about how you might help us to make it a really successful event. You may be able to offer some time on the day, make something to sell, or sponsor one of the Flower Displays. Pru, Margaret or Jo look forward to hearing from you a.s.a.p!

Warm Place - Our Warm Space has been an incredible success and after 20 consecutive weeks has now finished. The outreach and support for this initiative has been fantastic and Fr Rod would like to say a huge thank you to all involved. I am thrilled to say that this regular community lunch space will re-launch on May 12th as the *Friendly Friday Café* from 12-3pm and will run until July 21st.

Fellowship - The next meeting is Thursday April 20th in the Church Hall. We start at 12.30pm with a light lunch followed by our speaker, the cost only £5, don't miss it.

Prayers - We keep in our prayers Peter Hopkins, Jean Goodwin, Sue, Roger, Frances, Peter, Jo, June Blackwood, Tony & Ann, and Margaret Everitt. We remember our care homes Millard House, Fern Lodge, Aspen Grange, Larchwood, The New Deanery & St Mary's Court. In our Years Mind, we pray for the families of Cyril Thompson, Stan Spence, Frank How, Violet Barnard, Phyllis Want, Elsie Woolley, Rita Hopkins, Glynis Conway-Lee, and Ronald Warburton.

The Collect for Easter Sunday

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. Amen.

Epistle Reading - Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: '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.'

Gospel Reading - John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.