



# ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE

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St Mary's is committed to inclusivity  
and there is always a warm welcome  
for all.



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Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## Easter 3

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty upon arrival.  
For use of the Church Hearing Loop, please select T.

TODAY WE USE THE EASTERTIDE RECYCLABLE  
SERVICE SHEET

### 8am Eucharist with congregation

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Damian. Server & Reader: Andy West.  
Warden: Pete Gruncell. Welcome: Joan Gruncell.

### 10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

Followed by socially distanced coffee

At 10am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park.

Procession Love's redeeming work is done  
Offertory Good Christians all, rejoice and sing  
Communion Alleluia, sing to Jesus  
Recessional The day of resurrection

Celebrant: Fr Gerard. Preacher: Fr Damian. Warden: Helen Cunningham. Welcome: Barry Huxley & Andrew Falconer.  
Server: Catherine Wareham-Davies. Readers: Helen Cunningham & Marianne Herne. Intercessions: Andrew Falconer. Pre-recorded music will be used for the Mass setting. Cantor: Mother Jo.

The Sunday 10am Eucharist is available to view LIVE on our website at:  
<https://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk/videos>

### 11.30am Family Mass with congregation and online

Led by: Mother Jo. Welcome: Barry Huxley & Jenny Bright

### 7pm Compline with congregation and online

Led by: Fr Damian. Welcome: Deborah Kidd & Jane Lowe.  
Reader: Jane Lowe.

Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.

Children's Colouring Sheets are available via our weekly mailer –  
please contact [stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com](mailto:stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com) to sign up.

### ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS Please remember in your prayers:

**The Sick (immediate need):** Jenny Pike, Dennis Ives, Sue Bruce, Brenda, Lyn Borley, Lesley, James & his family, Rosemarie Dancer, Ian Dean, Andrea, Andrew Buchanan, Alice Armstrong, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** Lionel Pike, Evie, June, Jannette Taunton, Sue Dean, John Brittain, Serina Tatham, David de Ville, Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, David Oldfield, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves & Meryl.

**General Prayer Requests:** All affected by Covid-19, and those in the NHS still treating patients & servicing the vaccine roll-out, terrorism & natural disasters. Our clergy team, churchwardens and PCC.

**The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Jean Smith, Margaret Bell, Dr John Pittard. **Anniversaries of Death:** Reginald Ellis, Peter Dawson, Ronald Nobbs, Leila Cammiade, Martin Fernley, Frank Matthews.

**Runnymede Food Bank** – April's Need List is attached in the mailer. Do continue to leave your contributions in the green crate outside the (old) Rutherwyke Room / Link door (under the canopy). These will be collected regularly.

**Do you shop online at Amazon?** By joining [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) you can support St. Mary's without any costs to you. Just sign up and select St Mary's Church, Thorpe from the charity list.

## DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday Morning Prayer led by Fr Gerard (online)  
Tuesday Morning Prayer led by Fr Damian (in church)  
10.30am Thorpe Primary School 'Collective Worship' via Zoom with Fr Damian from Church  
7pm staff diary meeting  
7.30pm Exploring Beatitudes – see details below  
Wednesday 10am Eucharist with Fr Damian in church  
10.45 clergy staff meeting  
Thursday Morning Prayer led by Fr Damian (in church)  
Friday Fr Damian off duty  
Morning Prayer led by Mother Jo (online)  
Saturday 10.30am Sponsored Walk leaves from church.



Next Sunday – 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## Easter 4

8am Said Eucharist with congregation in church

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

(11:30am short PCC meeting to approve names on Electoral Roll)

7pm Compline with congregation and online

## ST MARY'S CHURCH IS OPEN FOR COVID-SECURE COMMUNAL WORSHIP AND FUNERAL SERVICES

Do NOT leave your home or attend Church if you feel unwell in any way at all. Thank you for your understanding.

### PLEASE NOTE COVID PROCEDURES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES

Please come in good time to follow entry procedure: Follow the one-way footpath around the church through the churchyard and queue remaining 2 metres from the person in front. Entrance is via the Rutherwyke Room kitchen/back door. All must wash their hands, wear a face mask\* and sign-in (for Test & Trace purposes). Please **do not sing**. Please only sit on the chairs spaced at 2 metres and follow the one-way-system through church at all times. THANK YOU for complying to KEEP US SAFE.

## LOOKING AHEAD – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

**Sponsored Walk** – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April, starting at 10.30am from the Church, approx. 4 miles, entry £5. Full details are [here](#) on the website.

**Ascension of our Lord – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May,**  
**6pm Festival Eucharist**

**7pm Fish & Chips supper in the Churchyard**  
groups of six in gazebos, more details to follow soon!

**Socially distanced Summer Fair – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Please put this date in your diary and keep it free – all hands to the pump!**

**Electoral Roll Revision last call** – in preparation for the APCM on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May, the annual revision of the Electoral Roll has been taking place. If you are already a member you don't need to do anything, but if you would like to join the Electoral Roll please click [here](#) for details and the form from our website, which will need to be returned today. Thank you.

**Exploring the Beatitudes** Tuesday Evenings, 7.30pm from 20<sup>th</sup> April. <https://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk/register-to-attend>

**Book of Condolence for HRH Prince Philip** will be available during service times this week.

**Coffee Rota** – we plan to start serving refreshments after the Sunday morning service from today. The Social Committee will cover the first Sunday but we need volunteers to sign a rota sheet at the back of church to cover the following Sundays please.

Gift Aided donations/Collection for Services via <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/> click DONATE. Cheques: Thorpe PCC.

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to [stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com](mailto:stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com) please.

**COLLECT**

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING                      Acts 3.12–19**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.  
Peter 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? The 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. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And 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. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.’ This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM                                      Psalm 4**

**R      Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.**

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer. ‘You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?’ **R**

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me. Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. **R**

Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord. Many are saying, ‘O that we might see better times!’ Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. **R**

You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase. I lie down in peace;

at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R**

**SECOND READING                      1 John 3.1–7**

A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL                                      Luke 24.36b–48**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look 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.’ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, ‘Have you anything here to eat?’ They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then 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.’ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.’ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**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.**

## HYMN 1

*Charles Wesley 1707-1788*

Love's redeeming work is done;  
fought the fight, the battle won:  
lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er,  
lo, he sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
death in vain forbids his rise;  
Christ has opened paradise.

Lives again our glorious King;  
where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Dying once, he all doth save;  
where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,  
foll'wing our exalted Head;  
made like him, like him we rise;  
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!  
praise to thee by both be giv'n:  
thee we greet triumphant now;  
hail, the Resurrection thou!

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## HYMN 2

*Cyril Argentine Alington 1872-1955*

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing.  
Now is the triumph of our King.  
To all the world glad new bring:  
Alleluia!

The Lord of Life is ris'n for ay:  
bring flow'rs of song to strew his way;  
let all mankind rejoice and say:  
Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory  
that Love, that Life, which cannot die  
and sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,  
and sing today with wone accord  
the life laid down, the life restored:  
Alleluia!

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## HYMN 3

*William Chatterton Dix 1837-1898*

Alleluia, sing to Jesus,  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone:  
Hark, the songs of peaceful Sion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
Jesus, out of ev'ry nation,  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
alleluia, he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how;  
though the cloud from sight received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, bread of angels,  
here on earth our food, our stay;  
alleluia, here the sinful  
come to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,  
he the Lord of lords we own;  
alleluia, born of Mary,  
earth his footstool, heav'n his throne;  
He within the veil has entered  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
He on earth both priest and victim  
in the Eucharistic Feast.

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## HYMN 4

*John Mason Neale 1818-1866*

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the passover of gladness, the passover of God!  
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,  
our God hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection-light;  
and list'ning to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own 'All hail', and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,  
and earth her song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things, seen and unseen,  
their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

