

Storrington Parish Church

St. Mary's,
Church Street



♥ *Faith, Hope and Love
in the heart of Storrington*

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NEWS SHEET

7 April 2024

Second of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion BCP
the Revd John Peal

10.00am Family Communion
*Celebrant and Preacher:
the Revd Jacquie Peal*
Acts 4: 32-35; John 20: 19-end

6.00pm Evensong
the Revd Jacquie Peal
Ps 85; Genesis 3: 8-15; Galatians 4: 1-5
Readers: Andrew Hammock / Lueen Francis

*Rectory Office open this week on:
Tues & Thurs – 10am - 1pm
Tel: 01903 742888*

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Monday, 8 April

7.00pm Storrington Slimmers

Tuesday, 9 April

10.00am Family Support Work drop-
in centre at Village Hall
(ends 12 noon)
2.00pm Bellringing practice
(ends approx. 6pm)

Wednesday, 10 April

10.00am Holy Communion
10.30 am Cafe in the Church –
see Notices
2.00pm Funeral in Church of the
late Mike Patch (School
Hill) - *the Revd Richard Hayes*

Thursday, 11 April

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Friday, 12 April

6.40pm Choir Practice in Church
7.45pm Bellringing practice

Saturday, 13 April

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THOUGHT for the WEEK

from Revd Jacquie Peal

A copy is with this Notice Sheet, it is on the Church Noticeboard and Church website.

**See more notices on back of
Thought for the Week**

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

The Church is open every day for
private prayer.

Regular Sunday Services in
Church are at 8am and 10am.

The 10am Service is streamed live
from the Church on Zoom -

(Contact Val Rice on

valrice77@gmail.com for details)

Evensong is on the first and second
Sundays of the month ...

6pm April to October
4pm November to March

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

For those who are in need in body, mind or
spirit:

*Rachel Martin; Paul Muller; Sue
Taylor; Georgina Toovey; Mavis
Watts; Mary Taylor; Andy Johnson;
Kate; Monica Walter; Dai and Ann
Somerville-Jones; Jeremy Keun;
Jeremy Carter; Allan and Annette
Smith; Maddy Parkin; Paddy Kearon;
Jonathan Aburrow.*

For all those who have died recently ...

Peter Hayes; David Parr (father of Janet
Freeman); *Alun Jenkins; Mike Patch;
John Bell.*

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let
light perpetual shine upon them.*

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Cafe in the Church in April

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

10 April

10.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Café in the Church

24 April

2pm Holy Communion
2.30pm Café in the Church

COFFEE AND BISCUITS ... BRING & BUY

*All welcome to either or both - please
come and join us for a friendly cuppa
with the clergy.*

*The Churches of Storrington
invite you to*

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

*A CHANCE TO GATHER TOGETHER OVER A
MEAL, AND BE WITH FRIENDS OLD AND NEW*

Sunday, 14 April at 1pm
at the Old School, Storrington

Tickets £4 available from
Louisa Austin in Church Street

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

The Church Electoral Roll has to be
updated by the end of April. If you are not
sure whether you are listed on the Electoral
Roll and wish to be included, please ask
me for a form or pick one up from the back
of Church or from Viv Stuart in the Rectory
Office. The deadline for doing this is 13
April.

*Rosemary Humphreys (01903 367149)
(Electoral Roll Officer)*

VESTRY MEETING AND APCM – Sunday, 28 April 2024

The *Vestry Meeting* for the election of
Churchwardens and *Annual Parochial
Church Meeting* will take place in Church
after the Parish Communion service at
11.45am on Sunday, 28 April.

At this meeting we shall be electing
members of the Parochial Church Council.
We are looking for new members of the
PCC. The PCC is a registered charity and
PCC members automatically become
Trustees of the Charity and would need to
complete a 'fit and proper person' form. To
join the PCC you must be (a) over 16 and
(b) on the Church Electoral Roll. If you are
interested, please talk to me or any of the
current PCC members to find out what is
involved. *Christine Tuson (Churchwarden)*

PLANT SALE

in Storrington Rectory Garden
in aid of funds for our Church

Sunday, 19 May
2.30pm – 4.30pm

*If you are a gardener please grow on
some seeds or plants that can be sold
Please donate any gardening tools,
books or sundries*

*Volunteers needed to bake cakes
and help with stalls*

*If you can help please contact
Viv Stuart at the Rectory Office
(vivienstuart44@googlemail.com)
or Christine Tuson (ctuson@lineone.net)*

PARISH VISITING TEAM...

The St Mary's Parish Visiting Team contact is
the Churchwarden – Christine Tuson (01903
905932). Please contact Christine if you would
like to arrange for someone on the team to
either speak to you or visit you.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

14 April 2024 Third of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion BCP
the Revd Charles Hadley

10.00am Parish Communion
the Revd Charles Hadley
Acts 3: 12-19; 1 John 3: 1-7;
Luke 24: 36b-48

12 noon Baptism Service
the Revd Jacquie Peal
Candidate: Tyler Brian David Tanswell
(son of Denise and David)

6.00pm Evensong *Michael Taylor*
Ps 142; Revelation 2: 1-11; Luke 16: 19-end
Readers: TBC

Sunday, 7 April 2024
Second of Easter

Opening Hymn

AM 450

Jesus calls us here to meet him

THE 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. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jackie Lee

Acts 4: 32-35

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Gradual Hymn

AM 204

If Christ had not been raised from death

GOSPEL

the Revd Jacqui Peal

John 20: 19-end

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Jesus and Thomas

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My

Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Purpose of This Book

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Ian Miles

Offertory Hymn

AM 212

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain

Music during Communion

This joyful Eastertide

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Final Hymn

AM 484

You shall go out with joy

NOTICES

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 **FSW**
are based in
Storrington Village Hall
Tuesday mornings (9.30 – 11.15am)
(10am - 12 noon in school holidays)
as a drop-in centre for young families and older members of the community too.
Everyone is welcome.
We have lost our food and goods supply for our mums in Storrington at the moment and so we will be grateful for any donations of ...
TEA, COFFEE, TINS, SAUCES, PACKETS, ETC, CEREAL, TOILETRIES AND CLEANING PRODUCTS
Please take any food donations to the Rectory Office on Tuesday or Thursday mornings (10am – 1pm), or deliver to the Village Hall on Tuesday mornings. Do not leave them in the Church.
Many thanks to all who deliver items to us on Tuesday mornings.

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month
2pm - 4pm at the Old School
Come and join our SPACE
Everyone very welcome (men and women, any age or ability). For more information contact Barbara (741236).
NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, 16 APRIL

NEWCOMERS TO THIS CHURCH

If this is the first time you are visiting our Church please fill in your name and address on one of the pink cards (they are near the entrance door of the Church) and give it to one of the Clergy or Churchwardens. We try to get to know new people as quickly as possible and make them feel at home among friends.

CHRISTIANS IN STORRINGTON INTER-CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS

First Tuesday of each month at 10am – 10.30am at Our Lady of England RC Church. Next meeting on **Tuesday, 7 May 2024**, but please check with Revd Charles Hadley (740787). These meetings last for 30 minutes and Christians from many different churches in and around Storrington get together to pray for Storrington and the world. It is quite informal and everyone is most welcome.

HELP NEEDED WITH COFFEE ROTA...

We need a few more volunteers to help serve coffee after the 10am Sunday service. If you would like to help us please contact Barbara Buchanan (741916).

EASYFUNDRAISING

If you do any shopping online, please register with easyfundraising. There is a link on the Church Website under Raise Funds for St Mary's or you can go direct to their website:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk

It won't cost you anything, but the Church will receive a donation for every purchase. It can also be used for things like car insurance. If you have any questions, please contact David Rice.

Storrington & District Museum present

TAYLOR MAID

at Sullington Parish Hall on

Friday, 26 April

Doors open 6.30pm.

Tickets £15 from the Museum Office –

Tel. 740188 or email

contact@storringtonmuseum.com

ROTARY CLUB OF STORRINGTON & PULBOROUGH DISTRICT
Storrington Library Car Park

Bank Holiday –

Monday, 6 May

8 am – 12 noon



Sacred Space
Saturday, 11 May 2024

at Micklepage,
Nuthurst, Nr. Horsham

A day led by the Rev'd Steve Gurr to explore what we understand by 'sacred space', how it benefits our own spiritual journey and how it may benefit those we journey alongside.

£80. Please email Steve

at ss.gurr@gmail.com for more details.

Saturday, 20 April
10.00am till 4.30pm

NOT EQUAL YET!

In-person and Online Conference at St John's, Waterloo, SE1, organised by Women and the Church, with guest Speaker Rt Revd Rose Hudson, Bishop of Dover. More information and booking details - www.womenandthechurch.org Flyers at the back of church.

Monday, 13 May
Chichester Cathedral at 11.30am

**Celebration Eucharist for the
30th Anniversary of the Ordination
of Women to the Priesthood**

All are welcome to attend

Saturday 22 June

St Alban Pilgrimage

A grand day out to St Albans by executive coach from Storrington.

This special festival commemorates the first Christian martyr on British soil, the Roman soldier, Alban, who was killed for harbouring and offering hospitality to a Christian priest, Amphibalus.

The story is acted out using giant puppets in procession through the streets of St Albans. There will be a Festal Eucharist at 12 Noon with Pilgrimage Preacher: The Right Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford. The day concludes with Festal Evensong at 4pm with a grand procession with red roses to the Shrine of St Alban in the cathedral.

Coach trip return is £25 per person. Departing Rectory Road, Storrington, at 08.30am and returning at 7.00pm. Please fill the form in at the back of church if you are interested in going.

Stephen Bloxham