

Sunday 27 April 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome! If you here for the first time please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy or welcome team, and email us at welcome@spwh.org

Today's services

8am Said Eucharist	
Celebrant	Fr Pete Hopkins
Preacher	Mark Ashworth

9.15am Joyful Noise	
Celebrant	Alison Perera
Preacher	Fr Daniel Sandham
<i>Texts for this service are on the screen</i>	

10.30am Sung Eucharist	
Celebrant	Fr Daniel Sandham
Preacher	Mark Ashworth
Entrance hymn	216 The day of Ressurrection
Offertory hymn	217 The strife is o'er
Anthem	Jesu, the very thought of thee - Glenn L. Rudolph (b. 1951)
Communion hymn	192 A brighter dawn is breaking 197 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
<i>During Eastertide the dismissal response after the Blessing is changed to: Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.</i>	
Recessional hymn	207 Jesus lives! thy terrors now
Organ postlude	Roman march - Rev F. Scotson Clark (1840-1883)

12pm Holy Baptism	
<i>Zachary Thomas Halliwell</i>	

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Today's readings

Joyful Noise

John 20.24-29 Thomas (called Didymus) was not with the followers when Jesus came. Thomas was one of the twelve. The other followers told Thomas, "We saw the Lord."

But Thomas said, "I will not believe it until I see the nail marks in his hands. And I will not believe until I put my finger where the nails were and put my hand into his side."

A week later the followers were in the house again. Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came in and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand here in my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you see me. Those who believe without seeing me will be truly happy."

Said and Sung Eucharist

Acts 10.34-43 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them,

Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

Psalm 150



Let ev - ry-thing that has breath praise- the Lord.

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Alleluia!

O praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise him with the blast of the trumpet; praise him upon the harp and lyre. Praise him with timbrel and dances; praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise him with ringing cymbals; praise him upon the clashing cymbals. Let everything that has breath

praise the Lord. Alleluia!

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John 20.19-end Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained. But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Notices

MAY FAIR To help us to make the May Fair on 10 May a huge success:

Stock for stalls: Please can everyone start to gather together items that will be needed for the various stalls. These items include toys, plants, bottles, books, bric-a-brac, tombola prizes and (nearer the time) homemade cakes.

Employer Matched Giving: If your employer offers matched giving/matched fundraising (please go and check if you aren't sure), getting involved in the fair could mean hundreds of pounds in additional funds for our event.

And, obviously, come along on 10 May - 11am-2pm!

Please contact Martyn (martyncaswell@hotmail.com) if you can help.

QUIZ NIGHT St Paul's Trust is putting on its annual not-to-be-missed Quiz Night on Friday 16 May at 8pm. £12 per ticket or £80 for a table of 8. Get your tickets now by emailing Alan Davis (a.davis14@btinternet.com) or speaking to a Trustee in the hall after the service.

PCC ELECTIONS Are you interested in being a member of the PCC (Parochial Church Council)? This is the body which is responsible for the governance of our parish. Elections are at the Annual Meeting on 18 May. Nomination forms will be available soon. Be in touch with Fr Daniel if you would like to find out more.

SIENA EXHIBITION: 10 JUNE We are planning a visit to the National Gallery on Tuesday 10 June to see the powerful Siena: The Rise of Painting 1300-1350. We will explore the exhibition in the morning and, for those who wish, go for lunch in a nearby restaurant afterwards. Tickets are on a first come, first served basis. Email Mother Lyanne by Sunday 4 May (lyanne.beckerson@spwh.org). The cost is £22 per person.

ELECTORAL ROLL: IMPORTANT Please return your Electoral Roll form this Sunday, or fill one in at church. Please also make sure that all members of your household who are 16 or over who are eligible have completed a form. Or you can fill in a Google form or an editable PDF, available online (www.spwh.org/electoralroll).

SERVICES THIS WEEK Because there are several feast days this week, there is a 12.30pm Eucharist on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. So lots of opportunities to make midweek Communions!

This week's diary

Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are usually said publicly in church Monday-Thursday at 9.10am and 5pm. Everyone is welcome. The church is normally open every day for prayer, reflection and visitors.

Day		Observance	Time	Service/Event	Prayer intention
Sunday	27	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	8am 9.15am 10.30am 12pm	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist with children's groups Holy Baptism	<i>Our parish and its people</i>
Monday	28	St George	12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>The spiritual life of our nation</i>
Tuesday	29	St Mark	12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>Evangelists</i>
Wednesday	30		12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>St Paul's School</i>
Thursday	1	St Philip and St James	12.30pm 6.30pm	Eucharist Junior Confirmation Class	<i>Bishop of Edmonton</i>
Friday	2	St Athanasius	7.30pm	Choir practice	<i>Teachers of the faith</i>
Saturday	3				<i>Peace in the Middle East</i>
Sunday	4	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Eucharist Sung Eucharist with children's groups	<i>Our parish and its people</i>