

Welcome to St. Peter's Green Lane, Formby L37 7DL

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for;

Mary's Meals

Caroline Collins, Deanery Children's Officer For the residents of; Firs Link, Firs Crescent and Firs Close

For the sick; Alastair, Bryan, Carol, David, Joyce, Malcolm, Peter, Simon, Susan, Trevor and those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or living in Care Homes For the recently departed; Ralph Osborne, Damion Lloyd and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please take a free copy of the APRIL PARISH MAGAZINE. Copies at the back of church and in the porch.



This Sunday's altar flowers have been sponsored by Norma and Mark Sheil in memory of Sam, a loving husband and father.

Parish of St Peter, Formby

3rd Sunday of Easter St George's Day

23rd April 2023

Service for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (CW)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Bach Christ lag in Todesbanden

Gathering

576 And did those feet in ancient time

Gradual

242 Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Offertory

709 Light of the minds that know him

Motets: Now the green blade riseth

Handel Lord, I trust thee

Post Communion

583 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might **Organ:** Guilmant *Final, Symphonie 1 in D*

12noon Children's Haribo Service

6.30pm Choral Evensong

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Bach Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag

Introit: Now the green blade riseth

Hymns:

296 omit vs6&7 For all the saints

Judge eternal, throned in splendour

780 Soldiers of Christ, arise

Anthem: Holroyd O praise the Lord of Heaven

Psalm 111 page 272

Readings:

Jeremiah 15:15-21 / Hebrews 11:32-12:2 **Readers:** Patrick Parkes and Gill Holroyd **Voluntary:** Improvisation on *Lasst uns erfreuen*

The Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Easter

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.**

The Collect for St George's Day

God of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love in the heart of your servant George that he bore witness to the risen Lord by his life and by his death: give us the same faith and power of love that we who rejoice in his triumphs may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection; 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**

The Liturgy of the Word; Epistle Reading; Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Our reading today is read by;

George Medley

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Gospel Reading; Luke 24:13-35 David Poole

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us.

They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Intercessions

Rev Gordon MacLeod

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.**

Donations via Card Machine, Yellow Envelopes, QR or on the Plate

For card payments, a contactless card-reader is situated near the main door. For cash donations, there is a plate near the main door. If you are a taxpayer, please use a yellow envelope and complete the Gift Aid declaration. (This increases the value of your donation by 25%). Or you may want to use the QR code to make a donation. Thank you for your gifts.



THE FOODBANK The items needed are: Savoury Crackers, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Meat e.g. corned beef, ham, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Tomatoes, Instant Noodles, Tomato Sauce, Brown Sauce, Mayonnaise, Longlife Juice and Cordial, UHT milk, jam and 'Free From' Items. The Church Porch is open 10am to 5pm each day. Many thanks for your help.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - Sunday 21st May

Forms to join the Electoral Roll (deadline 26th April) or the PCC (deadline 19th May) are available in the porch. All completed forms should be handed to the Clergy or Churchwardens by the appropriate date.

Coronation Coffee Shop (in the Bier House) opens on Saturday 6th May 2023 from 10.30-4.30pm. Offers of staffing, cakes or attendance (or all three!) will be much appreciated. Please see further details in the church magazine and noticeboard soon or contact me directly. Many thanks. Fiona Martin .

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 24th April

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

Tuesday 25th

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

10.00am Bible Study with Ken Ward Bier House

Wednesday 26th

I I.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments Church

Thursday 27th

10.00amMorning PrayerBier House2.00pmChaos Fun ChoirAParish Hall

Friday 28th

9.30am Little Fishes Toddler Group Parish Hall

Saturday 29th

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

Sunday 30th 4th Sunday of Easter

8.30am Eucharist (BCP) Church 10.00am Parish Eucharist followed by refreshments Church

12noon Service of Baptism for Chloe, Jack, Joshua & Sophia Kefford

and Caitlin & Lucas Weir Church

1.00pm Service of Baptism for Tomas Odin Furlong-Coey Church

6.30pm Service of Wholeness Church

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VILLAGE EMMAUS FACES

DOWNCAST ISRAEL FOOLISH

ORDAINED GLORY EVENING

BREAD BLESSING RECOGNISED

