

Easter Day

Collect

God of glory, by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Acts 10: 34-43

Psalm 118: 14-24

1 Corinthians 15: 19-26

John 20: 1-18

Post Communion

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Baptism Preparation – Prayer for April

***Loving father, bless this family with the ability to love unconditionally
even in the hardest moments. Help them realise what Jesus gave up so
that they can know love and life. Amen.***

Book: No Matter What

***Please pray for the people that live in Wyncroft Care Home in our parish
and for the people who care for them.***

Gluten Free Wafers - whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free wafers will be available.

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Sunday 20th April 2025

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SERVICES AT CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION – APRIL

Sunday 20 April – Easter Day

10am Sung Eucharist

Tuesday 22 April

5pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 23 April

10am Midweek Said Eucharist

5pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 27 April – Easter Day

10am Sung Eucharist

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Morning Prayer at St Mary's or Evening Prayer at Church of The Ascension on Monday 21st April.

All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's at 8.30am on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

Pray for our sick and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Bob, Carol, Steph Randall, Pam, Fran and Peter, Tim Dalloway, Anne-Marie, Chris Hemsley, Angela, Winnifred Quirke, Winston Sharpe, Reagan, Carole, Carol, Lainey, Edna Barlow, Phil Mayhew, Mike, Henry, Samantha Hart, Brian Genner, Liz Cross, Sarah, Denise, Harold, Craig Stevens, Kirsty.

MU Members, especially the house bound.

Recently Departed: Diane Smith, Thomas Smith, John Thompson, Roger Bakewell, Jean Bengree, Kevin Cook.

John Thompson's funeral will be at 10.15 am on Wednesday 7th May at St Mary's followed by cremation at Gornal Wood. Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre after the service.

Mary and her family invite their church family to join them to celebrate John's life.

Fr. Mel's Prayer Meeting will be back to fortnightly meetings from Monday April 28th at the usual time of 7pm.

Annual Meetings

The annual meeting for Church of the Ascension will be on **Tuesday 29 April at 7.30pm** in church. Please do your best to attend this important meeting.

- There will be nominations for 2 church wardens
- There will be elections for 1 PCC member.
- There will be elections for 3 DCC members.

Our annual parish meeting will then be on **Wednesday 28 May at 7.30pm** in church. Again, please do your best to attend this important meeting.

Mothers' Union we will be continuing to collect for their Lent Appeal for Dudley Women's Refuge. The items needed are: **All white please (Asda Basics)** Mugs, Large plates, Side plates, Cereal dishes. Tea towels, Oven gloves, Plastic chopping boards, Kitchen Utensils, Can openers.

A huge thank you from Mainly Music to all the cake bakers for their support and lovely cakes and bakes. Everyone has been so complementary 😊
Mary has put a new rota at the back of church for the term starting 1st of May if anyone can fill a day that would be wonderful.

PARISH RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT

Have you given any thought during the past week to the future of the two Anglican churches in our parish? Well, if not, have a think this week.

And here are a few questions for us to think about:

- Where are the points of growth in our churches?
- Where is spiritual growth happening?
- Where is numerical growth happening?
- Where is the growth in our work with young people?



**The next community coffee morning at St Mary's is on
Thursday 24th March 10-12 noon.
Everyone welcome!**

Please email any notices and items for this weekly newsletter to Lindsey in the parish office by Thursday for printing on Fridays. Thank you.

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