

Please remember in your prayers

Pray for those who are not well at this time and pray for the souls of the recently departed, may they rest in peace.



Annual District Church Meeting

The Annual Holy Cross Church meeting will be in church at 7.45pm (after the 7pm Eucharist) on Tuesday 17th April.

Do try and attend this important meeting.

Annual Reports

Please help yourself to a copy of the church's Annual Report.

Nomination Forms

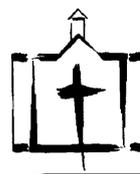
Nomination forms are at the back of church. Please consider allowing your name to be put forward for one of the vacant posts.

Annual Parish Church Meeting

The APCM will be held at St Michael's Church on Sunday 29th April, beginning at 6.30pm. Everyone on the Electoral Roll may attend.

Pastoral & Mission Panel Meeting

There will be a meeting of the P&M Panel at 10.30am on Wednesday 18th April.



The Church of England

Holy Cross Church

Serving the Community of Bilbrook in the Parish of Tettenhall Regis

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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Sunday 15th April
Third Sunday of Easter

8am Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Simon Douglas)

10.30am Sunday Club

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Simon Douglas)

Coffee/Tea will be served at the back of church after the 10.45am Eucharist.
Please stay and join us.

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **503** Thine be the glory

Gradual: **103** Crown Him with many crowns

Offertory: **81a** Christ Triumphant (Tune 2)

Communion: **226** I cannot tell

279 Jesus, stand among us

Recessional: **293** Lead me, Heavenly Father, lead me (Tune 1)

Sunday 15th April 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Mike

Sunday 15th April 10.45am

Welcomers: Ruth, Gill

Reader: Rebecca

Prayers: Mark

Offertory: Grace, June, Rebecca

Assist: Rebecca, Janet

Pebble Pool: Andrea

Sunday 22nd April 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean H, Victor

Reader: Mike

Prayers: Carole

Offertory: Rita, Sheila, Gill

Assist: Carole, Mike

Pebble Pool: Janet

This Week

Mon	16	
Tues	17	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist 7.45pm Holy Cross Annual Meeting
Wed	18	10.30am Pastoral Meeting 6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	19	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	20	12noon Eucharist 2pm Ladies Circle - 'Energy in the home'
Sat	21	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	22	10.30am Sunday Club 10.45am Sung Eucharist

Third Sunday of Easter

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 forever.

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.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

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.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Luke 24.36–48

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory 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.'

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

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 forever.