

# TEAM & COMMUNITY NEWS

Main clergy contacts are listed P3; other contact information, including for churchwardens and other officers, is available in the *Benefice Magazine* and on the Team website [www.dorchesteranglican.info](http://www.dorchesteranglican.info) where you will find links to church Facebook pages and the **online version of the *Benefice Magazine***. April magazine is now available in churches, or on <https://www.dorchesteranglican.info/dorchester-benefice-magazine> Parish Office: 01305 250719 [dorchesterpcc@gmail.com](mailto:dorchesterpcc@gmail.com) Currently open 9-1, Tues, Thurs, Fri

**St Peter's Church** will be open **daily from 10.00 - 4.00.**

**On Sundays BCP Eucharist at 9am & Common Worship Eucharist 10.30am.**

**Mid-week Thursday Eucharist now resumed at 10am**

**The Benefice Prayer Group will re-start on *Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April* at 10.30am in the *Hardye Chapel*. Anybody welcome. Please contact Penny Blaby on 753566.**

If you would like to make a contribution to the church flower fund donations can be given to David Elliott or the Church Wardens. Further details available from Rosalind Thorpe 01305 259659 email [dorset.dweller9@gmail.com](mailto:dorset.dweller9@gmail.com)

**Christian Aid week is 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May.** Envelopes and prayer resources will be at the back of Church on Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**St Mary's Church** [https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Dorchester-](https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Dorchester-672844449522662)

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**Our Wednesday 9.30am Eucharist and also our 5pm Contemplative Prayer Group are now resumed..**

Please continue to book your place by e mailing Trudy on [trtabone@gmail.com](mailto:trtabone@gmail.com).

**Weekday Eucharist.** It has been decided to revert back to a **Tuesday Eucharist** at St Mary's instead of a Wednesday. This will start on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May** – Morning Prayer at 9am followed by the Eucharist at 9.30am. This will now enable there to be a Eucharist in the Benefice on a Tuesday at St Mary' at 9.30am;; Wednesday at St Georges at 11am & Thursday at St Peters at 10am. Our Contemplative Prayer Group will continue to meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 5pm on a Wednesday. Please check the Pews News for any further services details.

**St George's Church** Churchwarden contact: Caroline Taylor 01305 269564, or email [church.wardens-stgeorges@outlook.com](mailto:church.wardens-stgeorges@outlook.com)

Our private worship for St Georges: **Wednesdays 8.30am-4pm.**

**BCP 8am on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month. Communion service: 9.45am every Sunday**

**Weekly Morning Prayer will take place at St George's at 9.30 every Wednesday**

**St George's will be restarting their mid-week Holy communion services at 11.00am on *Wednesday 5th May* hope you are able to join us.**

St Georges will be focusing on **food bank donations** on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday** of each month. A permanent collection box can be found at the back of the church, where items can be placed whenever the church is open.

**St Andrew's Church**

The church continues to be open on Wednesdays between 10 am and 4 pm for Private Prayer.

**Services are at 11.15 am on Sundays.**

**This Sunday (25<sup>th</sup>) there will a Holy Communion service.**

**Next Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> May) will be Matins.**

**St Simon and St Jude, Winterbourne Monkton**

The church is open 10-4pm Saturday & Sunday only.



# **Pews News**

## **25th April 2021**

### **Fourth of Easter**



*Jean Baptiste De Champaigne (1631-1681)*  
*The Good Shepherd Palais des Beaux-Arts de Lille*

### **Collect**

*Almighty God,*  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Readings**

**4<sup>th</sup> of Easter:** Acts 4.5-12; John 10.11-18

**5<sup>th</sup> of Easter:** Acts 8.26-end; John 15.1-8

## Reflection for Fourth of Easter

*Canon Michael Insley*



One of the earliest and most popular images of Jesus, painted on the walls of the Catacombs in Rome (and elsewhere across the Empire), shows him as the Good Shepherd. He is young and clean-shaven. He wears the simple tunic of a countryman, leaving the right shoulder bare. He holds a basket or bucket in his right hand. At his feet sit two sheep, and a third sheep he carries on his shoulders. The picture recalls Jesus' story of the lost sheep (Luke 15). The shepherd searches until he finds it, hoists it onto his shoulders and returns home with joy. Like John Newton we too can sing: 'Amazing grace, how sweet the sound...I once was lost, but now am found.'

The two sheep at the shepherd's feet recall Jesus' promise: 'I have come that you may have life, life in all its abundance' (John 10.10). Like David (Psalm 23) we can sing: 'The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. He shall refresh my soul.'

Jesus says: 'I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father' (John 10.14,15). The Beloved Disciple is very keen that that, like him, his readers have a one-to-one relationship with the living Jesus. Martin Buber coined the phrase: an "I-Thou" relationship. We know the Master's voice. More importantly, the Shepherd knows us.

Jesus says 'I am the good Shepherd. I lay down my life for the sheep ...I lay down my life in order to take it up again' (John 10.17). The Living Lord Jesus guides us through our life-journey, is alongside us in dark valleys. He promises eternal life now; and on-going beyond the valley of the shadow of death.

### *Prayer*

Living Lord Jesus, good shepherd, carry us home to your fold.

Feed us with your word; grant us to drink of your holy spirit.

May we hear and respond to your voice, may we come to know you even as you know us. Thank you for laying down your life on our behalf. By the grace of your heavenly Father and by the power of the Holy Spirit, may we be raised to newness of life, eternal life, in you. Amen

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Among those in special need: Christopher, Duncan, Revd Claire McClelland, Vic Wakely, Pam Revell, Phyllis & Lynn Titterington, Eric and Shirley, Tessa Bullick, Rev'd Andrew Mackenzie, Abigail Craddock, Jean Baker, Johanna Benjafield, Christine Peake, Emma Foxwell, David Dunford, Linda Blundell, Hugo Lord, Brianna & Braxton. (*To add or remove names in this list, please contact: Canon John Wood 01305 268749*)

*Remember also all who are cared for by Dorset County Hospital, in our community hospitals and hospice and all who are caring for them and working to address their needs; especially pray for all who are suffering from or are affected by COVID-19, and those working to develop identification, treatment and cure.*

**Among those who have recently died:** Dorothy Revill, Christopher Simmons, Canon Jane LLOYD,  
**Remember those whose Year's Mind falls this week:**  
Pauline Dunn, William Slack, Janet Moxom.

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**ON FIRE MISSION**  
Renewal in the Spirit through Word & Sacrament

**Agents of Renewal - OFMonline 2021**  
**Monday 26 – Thursday 29 April**  
**Book online – [info@onfiremission.org](mailto:info@onfiremission.org)**  
**See poster in your church.**

**Christian Aid Week 10<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> May** I was challenged and inspired by John Mutua speaking at the recent Christian Aid online conference. He spoke from an area of Kenya that is suffering from droughts brought on by climate change. It rains erratically and when it does it is torrential. To help conserve water, Christian Aid has been supporting partner organisations in the area who build earth dams. They also plant tree nurseries and provide drought tolerant seeds. Please pray for the work of Christian Aid in the poorest communities across the world. You can support with a donation- Dorchester Christian Aid ( BACS Lloyds sort code 30-92-69 a/c number 00753286) or Treasurer, 142 Poundbury Road, Dorchester DT1 2PN or direct on [christianaid.org.uk](http://christianaid.org.uk) Thank you. Catherine Goss

### **Christian Aid Sponsored Walk Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Depart from outside St Peter's Church at 9.30 am. Walk 8 miles (or shorter stages) to the River Jordan at Bowleaze. Return via public transport. Details- **Tony Boyden** on [anthony\\_boyden@talktalk.net](mailto:anthony_boyden@talktalk.net) or **07881 464790**

**Plant Sale** 8 Grosvenor Road DT1 2BB (by kind invitation of Jane Culliford)

**Thursday 6 May 2021 10am – 3pm** Plants for sale will be very welcome beforehand by Jane Culliford (8 Grosvenor Road) Annette Aldridge (16 Manor Road) Rita Kennett (5 Queens Avenue) – who will collect, telephone 265432  
Plants also welcome on the day **In aid of the Children's Society**

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