



Welcome to
St John the Baptist, Midsomer Norton
3rd Sunday of Easter
18.04 2021

Please pray for:-

The Residents of: The High Street.

The Sick:- Miranda Cooper, Rose Stenner, Paul & Margaret Knott, Irene Leet, Fr Roy Boots, Nicholas Hambleton, Betty Chiplin, Ethan Horwood, Patricia Flagg, Pat Gilham, Bishop Peter Hancock, Faye McDermott, John Norman, John Dryburgh.

The Departed. Douglas Gill, Terry Lovell, Vince Marriott.

Years Mind:- (S) Michael Tippet, Reginald Charlton (M) Albert Boots, Vera Purnell (T) Rita Hughes, Francis Spooner, George Chiswell (W) Ruth Gregory, Sarah Carpenter (T) Eric Turnbull, Clarice Hughes (F) Mildred Gulliford, Gladys Smith.

The 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 for ever.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 3 verses 12-19

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.’

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke chapter 24 verses 36b – 48

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.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

Intercessions led by David Moore

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 for ever.

Amen

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY	20 April	10am – 12 Noon 12 Noon	Private Prayer Holy Eucharist
THURSDAY	22 April	11.00 am	Funeral of William Anderson
SUNDAY	25 April	9.30 am	Holy Eucharist

Due to Covid, social distancing measures remain in force, so seating is limited. If you wish to attend church on Sunday 25th April, please book a seat by contacting Carol Moore on 01761 412226 or carolmoore226@yahoo.com."

Please remember to take this sheet home with you but leave the order of service booklet on your pew seat.

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