

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS (continued)

**Friday Coffee Morning** is back on Friday 10th April, 9.30 till 12  
tombolla coffee and lots of cakes.

**All welcome to St Mary Magdalene's** Saturday April 26th 10-12 for a  
fundraising Coffee,Cake,raffle and bring and buy stall.Tickets £5  
children free.Please invite friends and neighbours ,it will be a  
bottomless coffee pot

**.Poor St Clares at Crossbush Taize Service** 7pm last Friday of each  
Month and Taize Service 6pm first Sunday of the month at United  
Reform/ Trinity Church High Street Littlehampton.

**Coffee/Tea rota and used stamps:** There is a container for stamps  
near the door.The coffee tea rota is also there.

### **St Mary Magdalene regular service pattern at the moment**

**1st Sunday of the month** 4pm All together communion  
**2nd Sunday** 8 am BCP service and 11 am Communion  
**3rd Sunday** 9.30 Family service 11am Parish communion  
**4th Sunday** 11 am communion  
**5th Sunday** 11 am Communion

**Please note The BCP service will be on 2nd Sunday of the month at  
8am in May,June and July**

**Praying the News:** As we read or watch the news, let it move us to  
prayer rather than despair. Each story is an invitation to bring our  
world, its leaders, and its suffering to God in hope and trust.

## PRAYER LIST

Gill & Michael Lee, Barbara Evens granddaughter; Evie, Margaret Russell  
& Family, Gwen Marsh, Miriam, Carol Hatton's good friend Lynne  
Rule-Peters, Sue Arthur, Richard and his Father.

Please email names for prayer list to [wickinformation@gmail.com](mailto:wickinformation@gmail.com)



# 5 & 12 APRIL 2026

## 'The Risen Lord and the Mission of God'/The King Who Could Not Be Held: Resurrection at the Heart of the Kingdom

**Our Purpose: Deeply know, love and follow Jesus**

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster and to our  
church building which has been a place of worship for nearly  
1,000 years. If you are visiting, or this is your first time here,  
please make yourself known to one of the welcomers.

We hope that you feel welcome and able to share in the good  
news of Jesus our risen Lord and Saviour. Please contact Lisa,  
priest in charge of St. Mary Magdalene and All Saints Wick,  
Churchwarden or welcomers if you'd like to, and please stay to  
get to know us better after the service. The week's service will be  
led by Revd. Bill Meyer (Easter Day) & Revd. Yvonne Murphy  
(Second Sunday of Easter).

### ALL ENQUIRIES

#### Our Clergy

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HYMN NUMBERS WILL BE ON THE BOARD

### **COLLECT for Easter Day**

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.

### **COLLECT for The Second Sunday of Easter**

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

**The women went to the tomb** expecting silence and sorrow. Instead, they were met with an earthquake, an angel, and a startling question, 'Why are you looking for the living among the dead?'

Easter is the great surprise, it's a holy disruption. The stone is rolled away, not so Jesus can get out, but so we can see in. The grave is empty and death has been undone.

In Matthew 28, fear and joy run side by side as the women hurry from the tomb. The resurrection is not just a nice idea, it is a life-altering reality. It overturns our assumptions, challenges our despair, and calls us to trust that God is at work in ways we never expected.

However you come to Easter, whether full of faith or simply curious, Easter declares that Jesus is alive. And if that is true, then no situation is beyond hope, no life beyond renewal, no story beyond redemption.

So come and see, come and hear and perhaps, like those first witnesses, come and be surprised by Joy.

**Lisa**

## **BIBLE READINGS FOR EASTER DAY**

### **Jeremiah 31. 1-6**

1 'At that time,' declares the Lord, 'I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they will be my people.' 2 This is what the Lord says: 'The people who survive the sword will find favour in the wilderness; I will come to give rest to Israel. 3 The Lord appeared to us in the past,[a] saying: 'I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness 4 I will build you up again, and you, Virgin Israel, will be rebuilt Again you will take up your tambourines and go out to dance with the joyful 5 Again you will plant vineyards on the hills of Samaria the farmers will plant them and enjoy their fruit. 6 There will be a day when watchmen cry out on the hills of Ephraim, "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."'

### **Psalm 118. 1-2, 14-24**

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever. 2 Let Israel say: 'His love endures for ever.'

14 The Lord is my strength and my defence; he has become my salvation. 15 Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: 'The Lord's right hand has done mighty things! 16 The Lord's right hand is lifted high; the Lord's right hand has done mighty things! 17 I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. 18 The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. 19 Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. 20 This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. 21 I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. 22 The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; 23 the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes. 24 The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

### **Acts 10. 34-43**

34 Then Peter began to speak: 'I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism 35 but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. 36 You know the message God

sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. 37 You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. 39 'We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, 40 but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. 41 He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

#### **Matthew 28. 1-10**

1 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. 2 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. 4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. 5 The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him." Now I have told you.' 8 So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them. 'Greetings,' he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshipped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

#### **BIBLE READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

##### **Acts 2. 14a, 22-32**

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

22 'Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. 23 This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men,[a] put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. 25 David said about him: "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. 26 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, 27 because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. 28 You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence." 29 'Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. 30 But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. 31 Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. 32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

##### **John 20. 19-31**

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. 21 Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' 22 And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.' 24 Now Thomas (also known as Didymus[a]), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!' But he said to them,

'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.' 26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' 27 Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.' 28 Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29 Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.' 30 Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

**Gentle Jazz with Julia & Andy.** Saturday 18th April, 7pm at Creative Heart, 42 Beach Road, BN17 5HT. An evening of live popular music & jazz classics. Free entry, donations invited to support Creative Heart and All Saints Wick. Book online as follows: <https://buytickets.at/creativeheart/2109793> . Dress: Smart/Evening wear. You are welcome to bring alcoholic drinks. Café will be open for refreshments



**Giving in different ways:** Thank you for all the ways that you are contributing to the life of St Mary Magdalene Church. Thank you that many of you give by serving on teams. We would absolutely love to welcome you to serve too. Please ask Viv where our various teams need strengthening Thank you for the way you give to all involved in our mission and ministry through your prayers for us, and for God's mission through St Mary Magdalene. Finally, thank you, for your generous giving, and if you would like to find out about that, you can go to the giving page on our website or scan the code below. We do encourage you, if you consider yourself a regular worshipping member of St Mary Magdalene to consider this.

**Try a Discipleship Group/Home Group** this Summer Term. New groups starting this term and there are spaces in some of our existing groups.

Come as you are, you would be so welcome. Contact Liz at [officeallsaintswick@gmail.com](mailto:officeallsaintswick@gmail.com) to say you would like to join in.

### **Services This Easter Weekend:**

Maundy Thursday, **Passover Communion Meal**, 6.30pm. Bookings now closed.

**Maundy Thursday Prayer Watch**, from 8pm, Garden Room All Saints Church

**Good Friday Ecumenical Walk of Witness** 11:00am Meet at St. Mary's Church, Church St, then walking through the High Street to Trinity Church for a short Service.

**Good Friday Hour at the Cross**, 2.30pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster.

**Easter Day Sunrise Service**, 6.15am, East Beach (in front of East Beach Café) followed by hot drinks and croissants.

**Easter Day Joint Celebration Service with Holy Communion**, 10am, refreshments, 10.30am start, Wick Hall.

**Every Sunday:** 9am Holy Communion Service, All Saints Church, 10.30am Worship Service at Wick Hall (with refreshments from 10am)

**The 7pm**, Sunday 12th April (2nd Sunday of the Month): Hour of Extended Worship & Encounter, Wick Hall. Please come as you are, come expectant seeking a fresh touch of God in your life, come ready to worship Jesus the living God.