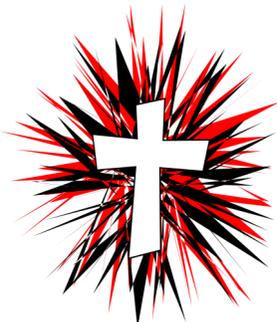


**CHURCH OF ST BENEDICT BISCOP and  
THE CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE**

**He is Risen!**



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**EASTER SUNDAY – 1ST APRIL 2018**

**WELCOME**

*If you have come to a communion service and you are accustomed to receive in your own church or chapel, you are very welcome at our altar. If you are not a communicant member of a church but would like an individual blessing, please bring a service booklet to the altar rail at the time of communion.*

**CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT BISCOP**

**8.00am Holy Communion (said)**

**10.30am Parish Communion**

**6.30pm Evensong**

**Sunday Club: 10.15am at the Hand-in-Hand**

**Lay Assistants** (8) Susan Williams (10.30) Chris Welch, Laurie Gainer,  
**Servers** (10.30) Martin Willetts, James Turner Joan Parker, Olwyn Grainger  
**Sides** (8) Caterina & Richard Gilbert (10.30) Mike & Liz Frost, Andrew & Susan Hill  
**Offertory** Alan & Barbara Moss **Intercession** Joy Waistell  
**NT Lesson** Joan Parker **Gospel** Clergy

**EVENSONG** **First reading** Ezekiel 37:1-14 (NIV p.868) Angela Pickering  
**Second reading** Luke 24:13-35 (NIV p.1061) Carol Porter

**Officiant** Laurie Gainer **Sides** Carol Porter  
*Please join us for coffee after the 10.30am service*

**CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE**

**9.00am Parish Communion**

**Lay Assistant** Peter Cartwright **Intercession** Margaret Springthorpe  
**Sides** David Boucher  
**NT Lesson** Maureen Boyce **Gospel** Clergy  
*Please join us for coffee after the service*

The Parish Office will reopen on Wednesday 4th April

## 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.**

## New Testament Lesson Acts 10: 34-43 (NRSV)

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

*This is the word of the Lord. All: 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. All: Alleluia*

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20:1-18 (NRSV)*

*All: Glory to you, O Lord.*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'

Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.'

Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.  
*This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.*

#### **WEEKDAY SERVICES**

**Morning Prayer** Monday to Saturday **9.00am** at St Benedict's  
(Wednesday: prayer for individuals on sick list)

**Holy Communion 9.30am** Tuesday at St Benedict's

**11.00am** Thursday at the Venerable Bede

**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL 2018 – EASTER 2**

St Benedict's: 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

The Venerable Bede: 9.00am Parish Communion

Sunday Club: 10.15am - Hand-in-Hand

#### **The Electoral Roll is posted at both Churches**

If you have changed your address (or your name) please complete a new form and give it to either Hilary Moore or the Rector.

If you are not on the Roll (our church membership list) please complete a form and give to either Hilary or the Rector.

#### **Christian Aid Week commences on 12th May**

We are in urgent need of collectors. If you think you are able to help please contact Bryan Johns 07857 537 867 \* 01902 256943 or Carol Porter 01902 898409

**PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICE SHEET HOME AND PRAY WITH US**

**Pray for grace to witness to the risen Lord**

*Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord."*

John 20: 18a (NRSV)

**Mary was in despair, and could not recognise Jesus until he called her by name. Pray that we may always be witnesses to the Good News of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, as we respond to his call.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

*Those who have asked for our prayers:* Andrew Pouney, Edna Kelly, Dot Tyrer, Jan Glover, Mary Farman, John, Olga Barrow-Collins, Tony Surman, Kim Dudley, Sarah Stephenson, Tony Jones and Joy Brandrick.

*Those who have died recently and their families:* Harold John Taylor, Winifred Cumiskey, Michael Albert Weston and Ron Hanson.

*If you, or one of your family or a friend would like visiting by the clergy or prayers to be said in connection with any matter which is causing anxiety, such as illness, bereavement or a moment of crisis, please contact the Rector.*

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

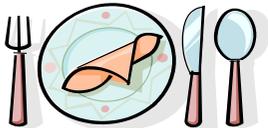
*9.00am Monday to Saturday - Morning Prayer at St Benedict's*

There will be no services on Easter Monday or Easter Tuesday

Wed 4	9.00am Morning Prayer with special prayers for the sick – St Benedict's
Thurs 5	9.00am Morning Prayer
	11.00am Holy Communion by extension at the Venerable Bede
Fri 6	1.00pm Winifred Cumiskey's funeral at St Benedict's PB
	No choir practice at St Benedict's

**Thank you**

to all those who contributed to the Holy Week Services  
to those who have made donations to and arranged the Easter flowers  
and to those who contributed to the food bank collection for the  
Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd



**Thursday lunch on April 12**

12 noon after Communion at Bede church  
Cost £5. Book a place with Anne (895075)

**Afternoon Tea at the Bede Hall on Thursday 19th April**

Cost £7.50

All profits will go to the Flower Festival fund  
*Tickets now on sale from Anne Freeman (895075)  
and Olwyn Grainger (893901)*

