

SHIRLEY PARISH



KNOWING CHRIST  
MAKING HIM KNOWN

19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> April

Easter 3

The Parish of Shirley

St James the Great and St John the Divine

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<b>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30am	Eucharist (St James)
	12.30pm	Baptism (St James)
	1.30pm	Baptism (St James)
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup></b>	8pm	Compline & Parish Prayers (Zoom)
<b>Tue 21<sup>st</sup></b>	10am	Wecome Café (Church House)
	11.30am	Craft Club (Church House)
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	9.30am	Safeguarding Training (Church House)
<b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	10.30am	Eucharist (St James)
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Mothers Union – Liz O’Keeffe (Church House)
<b>Sun 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8am	Eucharist (St James)
	9am	Morning Worship (St Johns)
	10.30am	Worship 4 Everyone (St James)

**Parish Notices**

**Disconnection of Gas supply at St James 20th April** There will be temporary traffic lights on Church Road Mon 20<sup>th</sup> - Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> (at the latest) so that this vital work can take place. Church will remain open and Church House car park should still be accessible but there may be some disruption during this time. Thank you for your patience.

**Nordic (or not) Walking.** Our next walk will be on Monday 20th April at Brueton Park, meeting in the car park off the Warwick Road at 10.30 am. Any queries about this months walk please text Sarah P on 07946378144.

**The Safeguarding Team** will be delivering a session on raising awareness of domestic abuse in Church House on Wednesday 22nd April at 10am. The session aims to develop a greater understanding of what domestic abuse is, who it affects, as well as its impact on individuals, children, the wider family, and the community. Volunteers who are required to complete this module have already been invited but spaces are available and anyone who would like to engage with this subject is welcome to attend. Please e-mail [judith.chivers@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:judith.chivers@blueyonder.co.uk) to confirm attendance.

**Mothers Union** The next meeting will be on Wednesday May 6th. We will have a talk on Age UK by Linda Millington. As usual, the meeting will be in Church House at 2pm. All are welcome to attend.

Vicar – in vacancy

Contact the Parish Office

Curate – Rev’d Richard Haynes

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(Rest Day is Friday)

**FOR PRAYER**

For the upcoming local elections and for the neighbourhoods in which we live.

**YEARS MIND**

Christine Bennett & Graham Smith

**THOSE TO BE BAPTISED**

Cora Gardiner, Grayson Rutter, Myah-Jade Harrison & Clara Maxwell

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

**Collect for 19<sup>th</sup> April**

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.

**Amen**

**Donations During Services**

+ 🕯️ We do not pass an offertory plate around the congregation during our services. You can make one-off or regular donations using the Parish Giving Scheme.

Thank you for your support 🙏 +

Registered Charity Number:

**1131912**



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**Zephaniah 3.14-end**

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

**Acts 2.14a,36-41**

Then Peter stood up with the other eleven apostles and in a loud voice began to speak to the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, listen to me and let me tell you what this means.

"All the people of Israel, then, are to know for sure that this Jesus, whom you crucified, is the one that God has made Lord and Messiah!" When the people heard this, they were deeply troubled and said to Peter and the other apostles, "What shall we do, brothers?" Peter said to them, "Each one of you must turn away from your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven; and you will receive God's gift, the Holy Spirit. For God's promise was made to you and your children, and to all who are far away—all whom the Lord our God calls to himself." Peter made his appeal to them and with many other words he urged them, saying, "Save yourselves from the punishment coming on this wicked people!" Many of them believed his message and were baptized, and about three thousand people were added to the group that day.

**Luke 24.13-35**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.