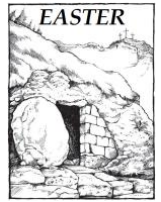




St John the Baptist, Catford & Downham Team Ministry

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

12<sup>th</sup> April 2026



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## Hymns for today:

♪	Processional-	488
♪	Gradual-	181
♪	Offertory-	531
♪	Communion-	100
♪	- I know that my redeemer liveth: GF Handel	
♪	Recessional-	509
♪	Voluntary- March de Salon: PI Tchaikovsky	

## Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 2.14a, .22-32

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost,

<sup>14</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd,

<sup>22</sup> You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say:

Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know –

<sup>23</sup> this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law.

<sup>24</sup> But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.

<sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

<sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption.

<sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

<sup>29</sup> Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

<sup>30</sup> Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne.

<sup>31</sup> Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption."

<sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.'

## Psalm: 16

*Refrain:* <sup>1</sup> Preserve me, O God: **for in thee have I put my trust.**

<sup>2</sup> O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord: Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee. **R**

<sup>3</sup> All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth: and upon such as excel in virtue.

<sup>4</sup> But they that run after another god: shall have great trouble. **R**

<sup>5</sup> Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer: neither make mention of their names within my lips.

<sup>6</sup> The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup: thou shalt maintain my lot. **R**

<sup>7</sup> The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage.

<sup>8</sup> I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: my reins also chasten me in the night-season. **R**

<sup>9</sup> I have set God always before me: for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

<sup>10</sup> Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced: my flesh also shall rest in hope. **R**

<sup>11</sup> For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell: neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

<sup>12</sup> Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore. **R**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

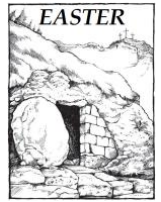
<sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,



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<sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

<sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials,

<sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed.

<sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy,

<sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

### Gospel Reading: John 20.19-31

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

<sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve,

was not with them when Jesus came.

<sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them.

Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'

<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'

<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

<sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

### Prayers

For healing and protection for: Eunice, Youngson, Shea, Pelu Thomas, Alison Marrett, Dwayne, Eric, Annie, Beverley, Glyn, Drew Spikes, Ruth Bennett, Bilki, Marcel, Leila, Theresa.

For those departed this life including Chrisotpher Ingram, Sian Craig, Isobel Leck, Susan Bhunu, and those with an anniversary of a death at this time including Karen Stephens, Mollie Breame.

### Church Diary

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (12<sup>th</sup>)

10.30am Sung Eucharist with Children's Church

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

7.30m Morning Prayer (MP)  
5pm Evensong (ES)

#### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>

7.30am MP. 8.30am Said Mass.  
5pm ES

#### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

7.30am MP. 10am Said Mass followed by study group. 5pm ES

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Isabella Gilmore, deaconess, 1923

8am MP. 5pm ES.

#### Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

7.30am MP

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter (19<sup>th</sup>)

10.30am Sung Eucharist with Children's Church.  
12noon AGM

### Notices

**Annual General Meeting 19<sup>th</sup>** April, after Mass. Reports at back of church and on the website. If you are interested in standing for Church Council, Parish Council or Deanery Synod, speak to one of the Wardens.

This Tuesday at 1pm, our own Jack Stone will be playing on the **Catford Broadway theatre organ.**

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