



The United Benefice of Old Shoreham and Kingston Buci
The Churches of St Nicolas, St Julian and St Giles

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Newsletter

For Sunday 21 April 2019

Easter Day
Welcome to our worship



Children: Sunday School in the **Parish of Kingston Buci** meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month in church at the beginning of the service and returns for communion. **Toy bags** are available in all churches as you come in at the door. Please feel free to make use of these facilities for your children.

Need a lift to Church? Please let us know

Large print service books are available. Please ask at the door.
There is an induction loop for those using a hearing aid.



From the Vicar

Woe to those who quarrel with their Maker, those who are nothing but potsherds among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, 'What are you making?' *Isaiah 45.9*

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! *2 Corinthians 5.17*

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

There isn't really much else to say on Easter Day. Singing, dancing (I would love some dancing in church on Easter Day), laughing, being a bit silly, stuffing our faces with Easter eggs. All this should keep us pretty busy and stop us from talking too much. (I promise I'll keep my sermon short, so we can spend a bit more time doing all the other things.

Everything is new. Nature is doing its thing and all around us we see new life sprouting and buzzing and chirping around us – the noise at dawn is amazing this time of year. Let's give thanks for this new creation. We know that the old world is still lurking around, but God's kingdom has announced itself to us today. Let us for this day forget the worries of the old and focus on the glory of the new that is already emerging all around us.

Christ is risen! Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

Alleluia,

Fr James

Today's Worship

Collect

**Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of thy Son
hast overcome the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to thee in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.**

First Reading: : Acts 10.34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: '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.'

Second Reading : I Corinthians 15.19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Easter Gospel: John 20.1-18

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 round 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.

Post Communion:

God of Life,

who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son

to the death of the cross,

and by his glorious resurrection

hast delivered us from the power of our enemy:

grant us so to die daily unto sin

that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for 28th April – Easter 2

First Reading: Acts 5.27-32

Second Reading: Revelation 1.4-8

Gospel: John 20.19-31

For your Prayers

In the Anglican Communion we pray for the Peace of Jerusalem & the People of the Land of the Holy One.

Within our Diocese we Pray for Bishop Martin Warner, Bishop of Chichester, and his office; Stephen Ferns, Senior Chaplain, Margaret Gibson, PA, Lucy Hudson and Margaret West, Administrative Assistants.

Within our local community we pray for St Nicolas' Toddlers Group and for the residents of Cypress Close, Erringham Road and Downside Close.

Those in need of our prayers specifically at this time: Pauline Packham, John Ramsden, Tania Jackson, Vanessa Thompson, Margaret Gilding, Christine Dickinson, Ann Lawrence, Wendy Tidy, Diana Riley, Halley, Hannah, Paula, Roddy Stevens, Elkin Shepley and Joyce Thompson.

Those who have died recently: Ian Wilson, Maureen Brown.

Those who we remember at this time: Wynne Cousens and Ruth Clarke.

Notices

Easter Lilies in the churches of St. Julian and St. Giles: we will again be having an arrangement of lilies in church. If you would like to contribute towards a lily in memory of a dear one, please sign on the sheet in the churches. The cost will be £1.50 per lily, which should be given to Ann Burton or Jill Austin. Cards will be available on which a message can be written. Thank you, Ann & Jill.

Easter Flowers at St Nicolas: If anyone would like to make a donation for flowers, in memory of a loved one at Easter, as always we would be very grateful. Please give your donations to either Sue Bartlett or Len Batten. Many thanks. Sue Bartlett (01273 462951).

Easter Day - there will be an Easter egg hunt around the Church and grounds after the service at both St Giles and St Nicolas.

Rectory Bible Study Wednesday 24 April 7.30pm. This week we'll be meeting for our monthly Bible Study at the Rectory. We continue with our series on Genesis with the stories of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Messy Church "Messy Breakfast on the Beach" Saturday 27th April 3-5pm at St Giles Church. All welcome!

St Nicolas' church is taking part in a trial of contactless payments, which supports the appeal for Cyclone Idai (until 30 April) and then Christian Aid Week during May. The device will be in church during services in this period and donations (from £1 to £30) can be made using all major cards. Please look for the card reader and explanatory posters. A donations box will also be available for those who prefer to give cash.

Lent lunches have raised £176.50 for Chestnut Tree House! Many thanks to those who generously provided food, those who prepared the lunches and everyone who munched their way through them and contributed to the charity.

Pop-up Art Workshop in Easter Week. Friday 26th April 9.30 – 11.30 at St Giles Church Hall! Come and join us for a creative session for beginners or bring along your own art project! All ages and abilities welcome. Hot drinks and cake will be available. Contact 07879470097 for more information

Kingston Buci APCM will be on 28th April in St Julian's Hall after the service.

Shoreham Foodbank is in need of some particular items. At this time they are looking for chocolates/sweets, tinned custard, tinned fruit, long life fruit juice, packets of instant mash, tinned meat, mixed puddings, tinned rice pudding, tinned vegetables and tinned fish. There are collection points in all three of our churches. Many thanks.

St Giles Mini Fair Sunday May 5th after the service there will be a Minifair with stalls - cakes, books, jewellery, toys, plants and a raffle plus tea and coffee. Please come and support this fundraising event. Donations for all stalls and offers of help to Penny or Gill.

St Julian's church is extending the days it is open to visitors from Easter, so from 25th April the church will be open from 10am to 4pm Thursdays to Sundays inclusive. Thank you to the kind volunteers who currently open and close the church and if you can join us and help out with either opening or closing please let Tina Robertson know. Our visitor numbers increased significantly last year and it would be great to share this unique and historic church with even more people this year. Thank you, Tina.

If you have any keys for St Julian's church, church hall or Parish Office that you no longer need, please return them to Jill Austin or Tina Robertson, or put them through the letterbox of the Parish Office. If you have any keys but haven't completed a key holder form please could you also let us know. Thanks very much.

Fr James Grant will be formally licensed as the Rector of our United Benefice at a special service on Sunday 5 May at 6pm in St Nicolas' church. Everyone is very welcome to attend the Evensong Eucharist service which will be led by the Archdeacon of Brighton & Lewes, The Venerable Martin Lloyd Williams. There will be a celebration after the service in the church, to which everyone is cordially invited. If you'd like to attend the celebration it would be helpful if you could mention this to one of the churchwardens so that we can cater for the right number. We look forward to seeing you on this special occasion. Many thanks, Len, Penny and Tina

This Week's Diary

Sunday 21 April	8.30am	St Nicolas	Eucharist	JG
Easter Day	9.45am	St Nicolas	Family Eucharist	JG
	10am	St Giles	All Age Eucharist	PA
	6pm	St Julian	Evening Prayer	JA
Monday 22 April				
Tuesday 23 April				
Wednesday 24 April	9.30am	St Nicolas	Eucharist	PA
	7.30pm	Rectory	Rectory Bible Study	
Thursday 25 April	10 am	St Julian	Holy Communion(BCP)	JG
Friday 26 April	9-11.30	St Giles	Pop-up Coffee and Art Workshop	
	10am	St Giles	Eucharist	JG
	6.30pm	St Nicolas	Junior Choir	
	7.15pm	St Nicolas	Senior Choir	
Saturday 27 April	9am	St Nicolas	Morning Prayer	
	3pm	Messy Church	St Giles	JG & Team
Sunday 28 April	8.30am	St Nicolas	Eucharist	PA
Last Trinity	9.45am	St Nicolas	Family Eucharist	PA
	10am	St Julian	Parish Eucharist	JG
	followed by	St Julian Hall	Kingston Buci APCM	

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