#### COLLECT

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.

# FIRST READING

The reading from Acts must be read as either the First or Second Reading.

Either Acts 3:12-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Or Zephaniah 3:14-end

## **PSALM Psalm 4**

R In peace, in peace I will lie down and sleep.

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness:

you set me at liberty when I was in trouble;

have mercy on me and hear my prayer. How long will you nobles dishonour my glory;

how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood? R

But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness:

when I call upon the Lord, he will hear

Stand in awe, and sin not; commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. R

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness and put your trust in the Lord. There are many that say, "Who will show us any good?" Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us. You have put gladness in my heart,

more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

In peace I will lie down and sleep, for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety. R

# SECOND READING

Either 1 John 3:1-7

A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed. we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive

you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Or Acts 3:12-19

# GOSPEL Luke 24:36b-48

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

## POST COMMUNION

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for





# **SIGNPOST**

The weekly newsletter of
St George's, Tuffley with St Margaret's, Whaddon
Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering
'Growing God's Kingdom'

# Welcome to all Diary Dates from 14th to 21st April 2024

Celebrant today, Rev Canon Michael Garland

Sun 14	EASTER 3		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion
			Crucifer: Jayne
			Readers: Lynne/Stuart
			Intercessions: Sylvia C
			Coffee: Stella / Joceline
Mon 15	1.30pm	Crem	Funeral for the late
			Margaret Wheeler RIP
	5.00pm	Zoom	Evening Prayer
	6.15pm	MH	Mondays@6.15
Tue 16	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	MH	Fun & Free
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
	7.00pm	V	Funday meeting
Wed 17	8. I 5am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	2.00pm	LC	Discussion Group
	7.30pm	St G's	Refresh meeting
Thu 18	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	7.00pm	V	Connections meeting
Fri 19	7.30pm	SH	Entertainers
Sat 20	11.00am	GB	Spring Fayre
	7.30pm	St G's	Military Wives Choir
Sun 21	ST GEORGE'S DAY / EASTER 4		
	10.30am	St G's	Festival of St George
			Parish Communion
			Crucifer: Dot
			Readers: Susan/Jonathan
			Intercessions: Linda M
			Coffee: Sue/Erna
	12.30pm		Baptism
	4.00pm	St M's	Pets Service

St G's = St George's, St M's = St Margaret's,
MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall,
SL = Softley Lounge, V = Vicarage,
LC = Lady Chapel, GB = Grange Baptists,
Crem = Crematorium.

# Discussion Group starting Wed 17th April 2.00pm

The next discussion groups will be looking at Common Worship liturgy i.e. what's included in our services and why. The Group will be led by Rev'd Mark and will meet for 5 Wednesdays at 2.00pm, starting on 17<sup>th</sup> April, in St George's Lady Chapel. Everyone is very welcome to any of these sessions.

Pet Service will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> April at St Margaret's at 4pm. If you can help set up and serve refreshments, please speak to Lorraine.

**Grange Baptist Spring Fayre from** 11.00am until 3.00pm on 20<sup>th</sup> April.

## We pray for...

Laura, Angela, Margaret, Mark, Johanna, James, Peter, Hans, George, Jenny, Richard, Hilary, Sarah.

#### **Birthdays:**

Oakley Byrne 14th, Dawn Dolphin 15th.

#### In Memoriam:

Margaret Wheeler RIP.

## **Anniversary of Death:**

Hedley Ringrose (priest), Patricia Price, John Stevens (priest)

# Hymns at St George's:

676 520 17 37

Have you got your tickets for the **Innsworth Military Wives Choir Concert** yet? If not, you need to get them soon from Glenda or Darrell either today after St George's 10.30am Communion, at Coffee pot on Tuesday or from the Church Office during normal opening hours. Or you can ring us on 410507 and we'll put them by for you.

# **Parish Safeguarding Officer**

Now that Lynne McEwan-Berry has stepped down as Parish Safeguarding Officer please do consider whether God is calling you to this role.

**Meetings this week:** included Summer Fun Day group, Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and the Connections Group Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> both at 7.00pm and both in the Vicarage.

Keep bringing items for the Foodbank on a Sunday. Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church. The Foodbank are in URGENT NEED OF LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, (not chilled), JARS OF COOKING SAUCE, DEODORANT. Thank you.

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