



Easter III

18th April 2021

8.00am **BCP Holy Communion** **Fr. Sam**
Readings: 1 St Peter 2.11-17, St. John 16.16-22

10.30am **Parish Eucharist** **Fr Sam**
Readings: Acts 3.12-19, Psalm 4,
1 John 3.1-7, Luke 24.36b-48

Music Community Mass: Proulx
Messiaen: Subtilité des Corps Glorieux
Messiaen: Force et Agilité des Corps Glorieux
Messiaen: Joie et Clarté des Corps Glorieux

In the Coming Week

Tuesday to Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer
Thursday Open church until midday

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All of St George's ministry is funded by the generosity of our congregations. Text STGE to 70085 to donate £5. Thanks for your support.

**Next Sunday—St George's Day: Patronal Festival
2021**

25th April

8.00am *BCP Holy Communion* *Fr Sam*
10.30am *Parish Eucharist—* *Fr Sam*
Preacher: Fr Douglas Machiridza, Area Dean of Handsworth and Central Deanery

PLEASE PRAY FOR

In the Anglican Communion, for the people and ministers of the Church of Ireland.

In the diocese: for all churches reopening for public worship for the first time. For schools and especially church schools, as the summer term starts, and they seek both to provide teaching and to allow social interaction.

In the parish: for our preparations to share St George's day with the local community, and to celebrate the festival next Sunday.

Those who are ill:

John Wynn
Nick Sales
Carol Smith
Esme Sands
Philip Hassall
Mary Howard

Miroslava Blahova
Jo Cox
Margaret Smith
Natalie Paul
Anne Phelps

RIP

David Henson

Prayer for the Week:

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

WELCOME LEO DUTTON

Congratulations to Lydia and Owen Dutton on the birth of Leo on 8th April, a brother for Alfie and a grandson for Susan Booth.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The revised Electoral Roll for 2021 is available for inspection at the back of church. Please let me know if any changes are needed. *Jenny Astley.*

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Our APCM takes place on **Tuesday 27th April**, starting at 7pm in church. This is a key event in the life of our parish and we encourage everyone in our community to participate. Election of church officers also takes place during the APCM. For further information contact David Hill, PCC Secretary. Online access will be available for those who are unable for medical/personal reasons to participate on site. Please contact the Vicar if this is the case for you.

ST GEORGE'S DAY, FRIDAY 23 APRIL, 12pm-4.30pm

We will be having a pared back celebration this year, compared to our usual extravaganza, but we will still be celebrating! There will be a museum-style walkthrough in church, and some stalls outside. **We have one gazebo, but if you have one at home, would you be willing to lend it to us for the day?** We are planning to have some stalls outside the church to sell plants, books etc, and Charlotte will be selling icon prints, jewellery, and taking orders for icon replicas - all to raise money for the lighting campaign and our urban mission project. There will also be a table for things in new condition - such as unwanted gifts, candles, trinkets etc - if you have anything you'd like to sell, let us know! Do get in touch with us if you think you can help, just email womenstheology@gmail.com As well as celebrating on the day itself we will mark our Patronal Festival in worship on Sunday 25th April. We welcome Fr Douglas Machridiza as Preacher.

JOINING 8am HOLY COMMUNION ONLINE

The service will be held in church and you are welcome to attend in person if you are able. For those wishing to join by telephone or video conference you can join the service from any telephone by dialling 0121 720 3377 and, when prompted, enter the meeting code 898 358 214 followed by the # ('hash') key. Your voice will be heard by other callers and on a loudspeaker in the sanctuary. We do not have a freephone number available so please be aware of the cost of calls to 0121 numbers in your call plan. Alternatively, from a computer or smartphone using an internet browser or the Microsoft Teams app click on this link: [BCP8AM](#) . You will find the order of service at this link [ORDEROFSERVICE8AM](#)

If you need assistance contact Nick Gibbs on 07774 642747 or 0121 440 1920 or nick.gibbs@stgeorgesedgbaston.org.uk.

THE PSALMS - SONGS OF FAITH AND DOUBT

This is a six-session course being offered online by the Diocese. It is aimed at anyone wishing to deepen their understanding of the psalter and reflect on how its vivid imagery might speak to us in these turbulent times.

The course has been created by Dr Ann Conway-Jones, a biblical specialist, with Revd Paul Hinton, Head of Ministry Formation. Guided online resources will be provided for participants to work through at their own pace. Ann and Paul will then host fortnightly Zoom seminars. The first instalment is available now online, ready for a Zoom seminar to be held on **Wednesday April 28th**, and then fortnightly, with a choice of 2pm or 7pm. Booking is via Pathways on the diocesan website; (this is the section for all training and development courses).

WOMEN'S THEOLOGY GROUP - TUESDAY 20 APRIL, 7PM

We will be meeting once again this Tuesday on Zoom, this time to discuss the women at the Resurrection.

Do email womenstheology@gmail.com for the link

CONFIRMATIONS ON SATURDAY 8 MAY, 10am

We were delighted to welcome Harriet and Amin into Christ's church through their baptism at the Easter Vigil. Bishop David will Confirm them at the Cathedral on Saturday 8th May. Please pray for them ahead of this service! Understandably space in the cathedral is limited and so they will only be able to have two guests each. However, we can support them by watching online - link will be provided once available.

ASCENSION DAY EUCHARIST

On Thursday 13th May, 7.30pm there will be a joint Eucharist for the Edgeborne Group (St George's, Edgbaston Old Church, St Peter's Harborne, St Faith and St Laurence Harborne). Please come along and celebrate this special day in the church year. Due to the numbers involved **booking is required for this service**. To book a seat go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ascension-day-eucharist-tickets-150722808979>

RAICHELE AND MICHAEL WEDDING UPDATE

Unfortunately we are only allowed 15 members of our close friends and family in church for the ceremony, however we will be streaming the ceremony via facebook and having a virtual reception in the evening. If anyone would like more information please visit our website - <https://www.blueghost.co.uk/wedding/> *Michael*.

PARISH MAGAZINE AND PEW SHEET

If you normally pick up your copy in a named envelope at the back of church we will send your copy by post while access to church is restricted. If you usually pick a copy from the rack and would like one sent to you please let Marcia know by email or leave a phone message.

Material for the parish magazine should be submitted to Justin Pinkess by 2nd May to be included in the June edition. The deadline for Pew Sheet items are Wednesdays at 10am.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

Does anyone still have Children's' Society boxes at home? If so please bring them to church for Pat Bullock to send on

GRON TUDOR JONES IN THE SUNDAY TIMES

It was impressive to see the public defence of faith and scientific reason in The Sunday Times on Easter Sunday by Professor Goronwy Tudor Jones [Letters to the Editor: Offence be damned, Batley: we must stand up for freedom | Comment | The Sunday Times \(thetimes.co.uk\)](#) (Scroll down to "Do you mind?") in response to Matthew Syed's provocative piece on Palm Sunday [It's time liberals showed some spine and stopped pandering to zealots | Comment | The Sunday Times \(thetimes.co.uk\)](#)

CLIMATE SUNDAY PLANNING

We shall be marking Climate Sunday at St George's on 29th August to share church commitments and pray for bold action and courageous leadership at COP26. If anyone would like to join us in planning this service please let us know. You can find out more by registering for a series of Zoom meetings for Birmingham Diocese starting on Thursday 22nd April by contacting beryl.moppett@gmail.com. (Jenny Uff and Nick Gibbs).