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9.30am Eucharist 30th March 2024

11am Holy Communion on 3rd April, 2024

Introit outside:- This joyful Eastertide

Hymn:-147 Jesus Christ is Risen today

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

First Reading:- A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. '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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Response to Psalm 118:- Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.

R

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!'

R

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

R

'This is the gate of the Lord; whoever is righteous may enter.' I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner-stone.

R This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

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Second Reading:- A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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Gradual Hymn:- 158 The Lord is risen



Rosalia, Chiara, Maisie, Freya and Alexa. That they may grow in faith and love for God.

Gospel:- Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Offertory Hymn:- 137 Alleluia, Alleluia

Communion Hymn:- 15 God madest Earth and Heaven.

Anthem:- The Strife is o'er - Ley

Post Communion Prayer God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Recessional:- 160 Thine be the Glory

Please remember in your prayers this week Sarina, Janice Pinnock, Jean Rochester, Cynthia Foster, Christopher Munns, Barry Ireland, Amy Su Armitage, Velma Munns, Dave Cheney, Peter Fisher, Martin Fisher and John Worthington..

Those who have recently died:- Eric Horne, Daphne Billson, George Senior.

Confirmation 14th April

In your prayers please pray for our confirmation candidates: Gerry, Megan, Jamie, Abi, Isobel, Jessica,

Floodlight Sponsorship

Carolyn, Jane and Roger

In memory of Phyllis Neville
on what would have been her birthday.

Velma Munns nee Freeman

Remembering her beloved brother Charles Arthur Freeman.
Remembered everyday for 60 years for the wisdom he bestowed on her with love and kindness always.

Lent Sponsored Bible Read Saturday May 11th in Church,

Details will be read out in the service.

What is coming up

PCC meeting Sunday 7th April 11.45

Sunday 14th April 9.30am :- Confirmation here at St. Mary's.

Church Coffee Morning 10 am in the Mission Room
Thursday, 18th April.

Flower Festival Meeting Monday 22nd April in Church at
7pm

Church AGM Sunday 28th April at 10.45 am

Sponsored Bible Read and Chrstisn Aid Coffee Morning
11th May

Crowning of the May Queen and Afternoon tea 19th May
at 2pm to 4pm

Sunday 23rd June Rushden Town Band Concert

Saturday 29th June Church Fete 12 to 4pm : If you would like to run a stall we are looking for people to organise a Plant Stall, Jigsaw stall, and a paper book stall. Speak to Churchwarden Jane please.

Easter Flowers

Thank you to all who donated to the beautiful Easter Flowers and especially to those who gave in memory of their loved ones:- Mrs Sylvia Bramley, Margaret and Ray Butts, Pat Richardson, Luke Needle, Muriel Carroll.