



St Peter's Hartshorne

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This week's service

Sunday 14th April 2024

This week's reading

Today's service is led by Rev Patrick Douglas



Luke 24:36-49

A thought from Patrick

This Sunday we are in Lukes Gospel with Jesus appearing to the disciples in the locked room on the evening of his resurrection.

What questions does the resurrection of Jesus raise for you?

He is obviously different from before but also the same, he must do a lot to convince the people there that he is not a ghost.

Jesus reassures the disciples and calls them to be people of 'repentance and forgiveness' not just amongst themselves but to all the world.

How do we as individuals and as a church practise these two things?

It is not easy to do this, but Jesus says Don't worry you will receive power from above to help you, promise of the Holy spirit to every believer.

How are we allowing the spirit to help us in our lives and churches today?

Wear your badge to support the Alzheimer's Society Forget me not Appeal



In May, Alzheimer's Society is asking everyone to join together and support the Forget me not Appeal to raise awareness and money for everyone living with dementia.

When you donate you will receive a badge in the post to wear as a symbol of solidarity.

By donating to the appeal, you are funding life-changing support that people living with dementia, their carers and their loved ones need right now.

Gwen has been raising money for Alzheimer's Society for a number of years and this would make a fitting way to remember her husband Paul who sadly passed away earlier this month.

For more information, scan the QR code.



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. Amen

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Everyone is invited to our Annual Church Meeting which will take place after the service **NEXT SUNDAY.**



If you want to take an active part and vote on any matters you need to have your name on the church electoral roll. Forms are on the table at the back of church.

We need nominations for PCC members, Deanery Synod members and Churchwardens.

Please speak to Nigel Worth or Deb Patrick for more information

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 21st April

10:45 Holy Communion

led by Rev Mike Firbank

Followed by APCM at 12 noon

Sunday 28th April

10:45 Morning Worship

with Nigel Worth

Sunday 5th May

10:45 Morning Worship

with Nigel Worth

Sunday 12th May

10:45 Morning Worship

with Rev Patrick Douglas

Sunday 19th May

10:45 Morning Worship

with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 26th May

10:45 Morning Worship

with Sean O'Toole

Cleaning Rota

Please clean the church before the date marked.

Please swap with someone else on the rota if you cannot clean during your week.

The toilets will be cleaned weekly by Sean & Sandra

21 st Apr	Val & Andrew
28 th Apr	Christine
5 th May	Deb P
12 th May	Jane
19 th May	Bill
26 th May	Brian Redfern
2 nd Jun	Val & Andrew

Refreshments Rota

It's a real blessing to be able to spend time chatting with one another after the service. We have a rota for serving tea & coffee.

Please swap with someone if you cannot do a particular date.

Please bring the milk. Thank you

14 th Apr	Maxine & Jane
21 st Apr	Christine
28 th Apr	Deb W & Alicia
5 th May	Carol
12 th May	James
19 th May	Maxine & Jane
26 th May	Christine
2 nd Jun	Deb W & Alicia

Our trip along the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal

Do you remember I-SPY books? When we our children were young, to keep them occupied on car journeys or when on holiday, they would have an I-spy book to look at and in which to tick off things they had spotted. There were titles such as I-SPY at the seaside, I-SPY in the country and I-SPY on the motorway. Well, I have spent a lot of time over the last two weeks spotting interesting animals, plants and landmarks while out on our canal boat.



Today was a really good day - I would definitely have scored a lot of points! I saw a kingfisher darting across the water—it was an unbelievably vivid blue and the first I have ever seen, a majestic buzzard soaring above trees overhanging the canal and two herons standing motionless.

We passed an intriguing cave called Devil's Den, which was carved out of the red sandstone rocks in 1770 as a boat house but is now used as a bat nesting site. We've been through two short tunnels, one of which has houses perched precariously above it.

Jane

