

All Saints' North Hillingdon

5th April 2026 - Easter Sunday



In **Acts**, Peter tells the gospel to Cornelius; that Jesus is Lord, that he did good and healed the sick, was crucified and rose from the dead, is now judge of the living and the dead, that God accepts those who do what is right and that by believing in Jesus our sins may be forgiven.

Question: How do you sum up the gospel? Is it different to Paul's message?

Jeremiah prophecies to the exiles that God is faithful and promises restoration, joy, new wine and dancing, and worship in re-built temple.

Question: Do you sense that our nation, or you personally, are in exile from God? Why?

In **Colossians** Paul says that spiritually we have been raised with Christ, and our lives are hidden with him. **Question:** In what 'earthly' areas of your life are you challenged to "set your mind on things above"? Why is it not easy, and what difference might it make?

In **John**, Mary Magdalene tells the disciples the stone is rolled away. Peter and John have a running competition to the tomb and go home. Mary stays, grieving, and meets Jesus, who calls her by name, and she embraces him. **Question:** Might Jesus be calling your name, and are you standing still enough to hear and recognise Him?

Matthew's resurrection account is focused on cosmic shock and awe, angels and earthquakes. The Marys' are told by the angel and Jesus, not to be afraid and to tell others that he is raised from the dead. **Question:** Are you afraid to share the good news of resurrection with others?

New English Hymnal 10 am service:

Opening	110	Jesus Christ is risen today
<i>Psalm 118: sung verses and sung response</i>		
Gradual	107	Good Christian men,
Offert'y	103	Alleluya! Alleluya!
Comm'n	121	This joyful Eastertide
Sending	120	Thine be the glory, risen..

Regular Mid-week Events:

Wed - * no 10am service Wed 8th *
- 10:30am Cake, Coffee, Chat in Hall



DIARY DATES

Wed 8th April - no 10am Wednesday service

Sun 12th April - 5.30 pm Deanery Evening
Prayer St Paul Ruislip Manor

Wed 15th April - 7.30pm PCC Meeting

Sun 19th April - APCM after service

Sun 26th April - Baptism of Benjamin William
Peter Short

FOOD BANK: Collection @ rear of church.

"This is a public announcement for the APCM 19th April 2026 @ 11:30am all are welcome to attend" - Nominations welcome for PCC and Churchwardens.

Giving is part
of our worship
You can use the
QR code or place
an offering in the
basket >>>>>>>>



THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS:

Mark Callaghan, David Rance, Hazel & Helen Parris, Mabel and Tony Poon-Jones, Lynn Taylor, Pat Szymański, Ann Tutton, Ruth Heslop, Jo Haunton, Maria Woods, Margaret Brown, John Williams, Sheila Scoates, Melissa Sinclair, Jacqueline Potts, Kevin Ogilvie, Marion Robinson:
- LORD, give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them the joy of your salvation.

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We remember anniversaries of the deaths of:

Alice Topley, Gladys Dicks, Ernie Johnson, Nancy Blake, Dorothy Cooper, Les Robinson, Len Sowden, Harry Bailey, Ron Baldwin, George Mearing, Jim Barton, Horace Haigh.

Visits / Home Communion:

Anyone who would like a chat, pray or home communion, let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 07909 127 929 ulricgerry@icloud.com.

Ryefield Care Home Communion Services:

Dates for 2026: 14th April, 5th May, 2nd June, 7th July. Tuesdays at 11am. All Welcome.

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

The reading from Acts must be used as either the first or second reading.

Either **Acts 10:34-43**

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."

Or **Jeremiah 31:1-6**

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus says the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God."

PSALM

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (or 118:14-24)

R *I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.*

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever." **R**

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

Joyful shouts of salvation
sound from the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;
the right hand of the Lord raises up;
the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds." **R**

I shall not die, but live
and declare the works of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he has not given me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord. **R**

This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I will give thanks to you,
for you have answered me
and have become my salvation. **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

SECOND READING

Either **Colossians 3:1-4**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Or **Acts 10:34-43**

GOSPEL

Either **John 20:1-18**

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

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 around 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.

Or **Matthew 28:1-10**

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

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

POST COMMUNION

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.

