

# Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter – 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, 10.30 am – St Alban's/Zoom

*Alleluia Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

**Opening Hymn & Call to worship:** *(The hymns are sung by our Cantor, Jack Day).*

## **Kyrie Confession:**

Lord Jesus Christ, you raise us to new life.  
Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.  
Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**  
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Amen. **Absolution.**

***The Gloria is Sung by a Cantor.***

**Collect:** Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **All Amen**

## **First Reading: (Acts 4: 32-35)**

32The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. 33With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. 34There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. 35They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

*This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.*

**Alleluia:** *Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."*

*The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.*

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. All: Glory to you O Lord.*

## **Gospel Reading: (John 20: 19-31)**

19When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

24But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 27Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' 28Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.  
31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.***

## **Homily - Revd Anne Hoad**

## **Prayers**

## **The Peace & Offertory Hymn**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

## **Blessing & Closing Hymn**

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## **Notices.**

### **A very Happy and Blessed Easter Season to all!**

**Third Sunday of Easter, 18<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30 am, United Eucharist at St Alban's, also on Zoom.**

**Midweek Eucharist this Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> April, 10 am, St Andrew's**

**Stewardship and Giving:** "For the past months we have been unable to give our collection money whilst meeting for services on Zoom. However, the church still has expenses to pay, so please could we ask for donations to be made either by direct bank transfer, using the sort code 60-05-29, account number 96403543, and using your name as a reference, or by JustGiving through the Donate button to be found on the church website [www.standrewandstalban.org.uk](http://www.standrewandstalban.org.uk) Thank you - your generosity is much appreciated."

**Electoral Roll:** Please note that the new roll has been posted, so please let me know if you wish to make any corrections to this, and I will notify our Electoral Roll Officers, Janet Akehurst and Pat Hubbard. Revd Ian.

**Eucharist and APCM for 2020 & 2021, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, St Andrews, Service to begin at 10 am, followed by the APCM at 11.15 am, in Church (socially distanced), and also on Zoom. Warmest thanks to all who have submitted reports for both 2020 and 2021 and to Imogen for all of her hard work on collating them. These are currently being circulated, and you should receive them soon, if you haven't already done so.**

**Christian Aid Week, 9-16<sup>th</sup> May. Please contact Diane Hudson, if you have any fund-raising projects in mind.**

**Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Initiative from Ascension to Pentecost, 13-23 May, 2021.** Daily prayers will be offered for the persecuted and hidden churches in North Korea, Syria, Sudan, Nigeria, China, Afghanistan, and Sri Lanka. Special services of Morning and Evening Prayer will be held during this period. Full details to be published soon.

**Mottingham Foodbank.** Provisions for the food bank may be donated Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat 9.30 am – 1 pm, and Wed 6-7 pm at St Edward's Church Hall.

**Prayers for the sick:** John Potts, Brian Abbot, Pip Bampton, Jackie Ungar, Tom Biro, Fiona Bailey-Sylvester, Roger Welch, Revd Dave Warren, Roz Ware, Chloe Sissons, Ray Hole, John Symons, Jim Bulford, Helen Donaldson, Baby Cody, Baby Ruby, Peggy Richards, Mary Houlston, Tabitha Ungar, David and Janet Hughes, Betty Walsh, Sally Edwards, Wynne Bowen, Tracey Harison, Marion Harison, Baby Niamh King.

**We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers,** In particular Jocelyn Reason, Margaret Spong, Ethel Crook, Gill Emm, Helen McDonnell, George Bragg, Caroline Dumonteuil, Prince Phillip and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.