



Church of King Charles the Martyr  
**NOTICES**  
Sunday 12 April  
**Second Sunday of Easter**



**NOTE: All services are broadcast live on Facebook\***

\*Please see a Welcomer or Church Warden for advice on where to sit to avoid the camera

### **0930 Sung Eucharist**

Officiant:	Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Preacher	David T
Churchwarden:	Bill S
Musicians:	Simon and Choir
Readers:	Brenda W
Intercessor:	Lynn J
Chalice:	Judith R
Welcomers:	Lynn J

**Music:** I 24 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, I 15 Now the green blade riseth, I 03 Alleluya! Alleluya! I 14 Now is eternal life, I 13 Love's redeeming work is done

### **I 100 Morning Worship**

Officiant:	Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Preacher	David T
Churchwarden:	Phil T
Musicians:	Simon and Singers
Readers:	Pina H
Intercessor:	Emma K
Welcomers:	Ro A, Jenny D
Powerpoint:	David H

**Music:** I 95 I believe in Jesus, Open our eyes, Lord, I stand in awe, 436 Purify my heart, 438 Rejoice, rejoice, 450 Shout for joy

# Readings for Sunday 12 April

## Second Sunday of Easter

### 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

**Exodus 14.10–end, 15.20–21** – *page 71, 73*

**Psalm 16**

**Acts 2.14a, 22-32** – *page 1093*

**John 20.19–end** – *page 1089*

### Post Communion

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal life  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

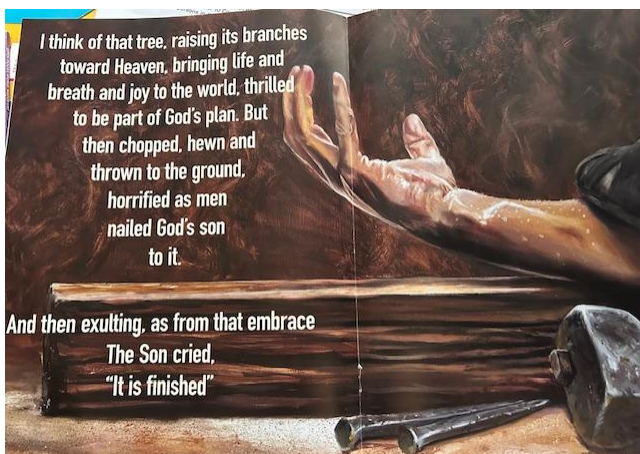
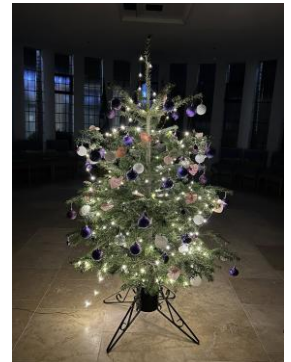
### **Potters Bar Food Bank**

The food bank is in need of: tinned fruit (400gms), biscuits, meat tins, UHT milk (1 litre) and vegetable tins.

The collection boxes are in the Link corridor outside the office. Access to the foodbank is by referral, please speak to local clergy in confidence.

# Musings from the vicarage

I hope that the transformation of our Christmas tree was as significant for you as it was for me. This is something I have seen done before but never expected it to have such an impact on me, or to create so much interest, when I decided to do it here this year. I have always loved the Legend of the Three Trees which I used as the basis for my Good Friday sermon, as I think it gives a different perspective on the life of Jesus and somehow roots him in the whole story of God's creation.



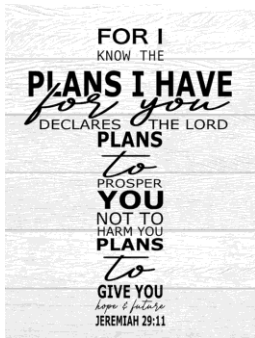
For those of you who don't know it, it tells the story of 3 trees who have great aspirations but who then, as time passes, don't think they will ever achieve their dreams. Until one day, the first tree which has been made into an animal trough, is used as the manger that Jesus was laid in; the second one is the fishing boat on the sea of Galilee when Jesus calms the storm and the third becomes the cross on which Jesus died, and fulfils its ambition to point

people to God.

I added to the trees a fourth tree that was cut down and became the Christmas tree at KCM in 2025, which was adorned with lights and purple, blue, pink and white baubles each representing something which those who hung them on the tree were asking God for. And then in a cruel act, all its branches were cut off, nails were driven into its base and it was hidden away in the dark, until Good Friday when it was made into the shape of a cross, and stood at the front of the church as a reminder of the tree on which Jesus died. But that was not the end, as on Easter Sunday, it was covered with beautiful flowers and transformed into something glorious, which stood outside church for all to see, reminded everyone who looked at it that the cross was not the end, because Jesus is alive.



The legend, and our tree, are a good reminder that God always has a plan for our lives even when, at times, we think we are of no use to him or have different ideas as to how we think he is going to use us. As I write this, I am reminded that it is a year today (8th April) that I came to KCM for an interview where the panel and I were to discern if we felt that God was calling me to be vicar here. I am so grateful to God that he led me to apply for the position, to the panel for offering me the job, for my courage to say yes, and for your encouragement and acceptance of me ever since!



Just as I am seeking God as to what is next for our tree, I pray that we are all seeking God for what next for us as a Church because I truly believe he has great plans for us in the months and years ahead. Let's all hold on to his promise, 'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future' and be like those trees and be used by God to point people to him because the Risen Jesus lives in us and is transforming us into his likeness.

Revd Emma

## Dates for your diary and for prayer

Each week our worship follows this pattern

<b>Tuesday morning</b>	1000 Eucharist
<b>Wednesday morning</b>	Please take a few minutes to pray for our community
<b>Sunday morning</b>	0930 Sung Eucharist; 1100 Morning Worship
<b>Wednesday 8 April</b>	No Charlies Angels
<b>Thursday 9 April</b>	No Community Cafe
<b>Wednesday 15 April</b>	Charlies Angels restarts for the Summer term
<b>Wednesday 15 April</b>	Rescheduled PCC meeting 7:30
<b>Thursday 16 April</b>	Cafe reopens
<b>Sunday 19 April</b>	POSTPONED Worship Discovery Evening
<b>Saturday 25 April</b>	1930 KCM Quiz Night – see Notices
<b>Sunday 26 April</b>	Cafe Church 10:45
<b>Monday 27 April</b>	All APCM reports to be submitted to Imogen

**MAPPA.** The MAPPA for May was emailed earlier this week. Please do check sooner rather than later, that you are able to do the tasks you have been allocated. If you are unavailable to make your allotted day, then please will you arrange to swap with someone else and then let Imogen know by email as she is not part of the WhatsApp group. If you have not received the MAPPA and were expecting to, then please let Imogen know. Spare copies are available at the back of the church.

**Safeguarding Awareness:** In her maiden speech as Archbishop of Canterbury during the safeguarding debate at general synod, +Sarah said, 'seeking to meet our aspiration on safeguarding is an integral part of my call to be a shepherd to the flock' because, it 'honours the people up and down the country who commit themselves daily to making the Church safer' - that's you and me, so thank you.

**Eco Tip Easter 2:** If you want to reduce your food carbon footprint, switch to eating more plant-based food and reduce beef and lamb as these have the highest CO2 levels.



**Easter Flowers:** Thank you to everyone who had a hand in making our church look so beautiful for our Easter celebrations. I think you will agree the flowers were magnificent. Thank you to Lynn for sponsoring them, and to Judith and her team for arranging them. Special thanks to Janet for the Garden of Repose and to Joan for the Pascal candle arrangement. If you would like to sponsor flowers one Sunday in memory of someone or for a special occasion, please sign the sheet at the back of church or speak to Judith or Steve.

**Easter Garden:** Wasn't our Easter garden beautiful – I loved all the little extras, and it was so wonderful to watch the children putting the finishing touches to it and moving the stone on Easter Sunday morning. A huge thank you to Joy for preparing for us.



**Easter Services:** Thank you to everyone who played a part in making Holy Week so meaningful this year. Particular thanks to Simon and the Choir for the beautiful music which was so well chosen for each service and therefore really enhanced our worship. Thank you to everyone who read, prayed, recorded, worked the PowerPoint, tidied up, lit fires, prepared refreshments, and anything else I have forgotten. And thank you also to everyone who came to the services – I hope that they enhanced your journey through Holy Week. Please let me know what would have made them even better for you.

**Good Friday Messy Church:** We had 19 children attend our Good Friday Messy Church and they all made an Easter Garden as we retold the Easter Story. I think the adults enjoyed it as much as the children! Our kitchen team excelled themselves by making Easter Nest for everyone, along with the usual sandwiches. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this happen.



## Prayer – Week beginning 12 April

We invite you to pray on a Wednesday morning, no matter where you are, for our community, our town and the wellbeing of all.

**Please pray for:** us as a church community that we will live our lives as resurrection people, growing into all that God wants us to be and for all who came to one of our services over Easter and were made to think, that they will hear Jesus calling their name and want to know more.

**Those who live in:** Robert Close, Rushfield, Rydal Mount

**Those who are in need of our prayers:**

**Those with longer term needs:**

**The recently departed:** Brian Wilkinson, Jacqueline Ryan, and any others known to us personally.

**Anniversary of death:** Joan Mitchell, Peggy Critoph, Anita Alan, George Feeney, Giles Malik Taghavi and all whose anniversary falls at this time.

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact the ministry team to have a chat or ask to speak to one of the pastoral team who will be happy to support you. The prayer list is published each week. **It is reviewed at the end of each month, so please let us know if you wish a name to stay on the list.** If you or a loved one are not on the list and would like to be added, please do let Revd Emma or the Office know.

In line with the Parish Prayer Policy, please ensure that you have permission from the person whose name you wish to add to the list.

**Please email any requests for names to be added to the office ([office@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:office@kcm-church.org.uk)) no later than 5pm on a Wednesday.**

If you wish to see a copy of the Parish Prayer Policy then please contact the office.

# ***Coming up in church and on Facebook***

## **Sunday 19 April – Easter 3**

**Readings:** Zephaniah 3.14–end, Acts 2.14a, 36-41, Psalm 116.1–3, 10–end, Luke 24.13–35

### **0930 Sung Eucharist**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Bill S  
Musicians: Simon and Choir  
Readers: Robert B  
Intercessor: Lynn J  
Chalice: Maureen T  
Welcomers: Steve J

**Music:** 345 Christ is the King, O friends rejoice! 443 Rejoice, the Lord is King, 486 We have a gospel to proclaim, 375 I danced in the morning

**Anthem:** O taste and see – Vaughan Williams

### **1100 Morning Worship**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Phil T  
Musicians: Simon and Singers  
Readers: Gary D  
Intercessor: Peter S  
Welcomers: Ann D, David H  
Powerpoint: Nicola T

**Music:** 11 All I once held dear, 4 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord, 643 Before the throne of God above, 6 All hail the Lamb, Sing of the Lord's goodness, One more step along the world I go

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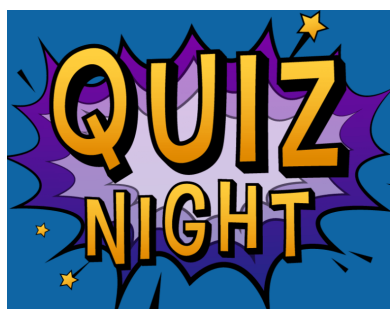
**APCM reports:** Thank you to those who have already sent in their reports. If you haven't yet, please let Imogen have them as soon as possible and at the latest by Monday 27 April. If you have something you would like included, reports should be no more than 200 words and emailed to both Imogen and Revd Emma.

**APCM:** Make sure you have the date of our **APCM – 27 May, 1900** in your diary as we are hoping that this will be a great evening of fellowship and celebration and we would love you to be there. Also, please pray and see if God is calling you to serve on the PCC or to take on the role of Church Warden. If you want to know more, please speak to Revd Emma or one of the current PCC members or Church Wardens.

**Tesco Blue Tokens.** Don't forget to pop your blue token in the Charlie's Angels box in Tesco. The closing date has been extended until Sunday 26th April so there is still time to put in lots more tokens! Remember there is no Charles Angels this coming week as they are on a break for the Easter Holidays.



**Cranborne Recycling Centre.** As of 1<sup>st</sup> April, Hertfordshire County Council has announced that all residents need to apply for an e pass for your car to use the recycling centres at Allum Lane, Elstree and Cranborne Road, Potters Bar. To apply use this link: <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/recycling-waste-and-environment/recycling-and-waste/epass/epass-herts-resident.aspx>



**KCM Quiz Night.** Join us on **Saturday 25 April at 1930** for a quiz and raffle – bring your own food and drink. The cost is £10 per head (pay on the door), with a maximum of 8 people per table. Please email the office ([office@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:office@kcm-church.org.uk)) to book or just turn up on the night, you will be made most welcome. If you have any raffle prizes, please give these to Lynn Jones.



**Worship Discovery Afternoon: Sunday 19 April** for various reasons, we have decided to postpone this service. It will now be on **Sunday 31st May at 4:00 followed by refreshments** This means there is lots more time to suggest songs for us to learn

and to volunteer to play an instrument or join the singers for the evening. If you are about to reveal your hidden talent, please speak to Simon or Emma. Please email suggestions for songs to [vicar@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:vicar@kcm-church.org.uk) or [music@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:music@kcm-church.org.uk)

**Churches Together Holiday Club.**

The Churches Together Holiday club books will soon be open and we are still in need of more volunteers. If you haven't yet registered, please do so using the link below. Any issues speak to Nicola or Emma.

<https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/volunteer> Also, encourage your teens to sign up to be young leaders at the Holiday club as this is a great opportunity for them to be young leaders. You can do this via the QR code or at <https://cclh.churchsuite.com/events/caxnqj6z>



**Booking opens very soon – watch this space.**

**Deanery Pilgrimage:** If you were unable to join the pilgrimage to St Albans, why not consider joining the deanery pilgrimage on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 1345. More details on the poster that is attached to the notice sheet.



**Some reminders of our Easter celebrations**



## Supporting the work and mission of this church

The Church of King Charles the Martyr provides a spiritual focus and outstanding facilities for the local community. It is **OUR** church and like all charities is dependent on the generosity of its members, the local community, and others to make it prosper.

The church and halls cost us over **£3000 a week** to run and this isn't possible without your generosity.

*If you would like to support the work of the Church of King Charles the Martyr, you can do this either as a one off or by joining our regular giving scheme please speak to our Treasurer to set up **regular giving** to help us plan*

- by joining the Parish Giving Scheme [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](#)
- with the **cashless giving machine in church or online** on our webpage.
- **Remember us in your Will.** Legacies are a tax efficient way of giving to the church. Please do think about us when making or revising your Will.

## How to access services at KCM

**Sunday mornings** go to the church website [www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk) and click on the link on that page it will take you to Facebook where you will be able to click on the LIVE streaming or watch the services from previous weeks.

If you are in church, please be aware that services are live streamed and that you may like to sit nearer the back if you do not wish to be on camera.

## How to stay in touch

This notice sheet is posted on our website each week, emailed to all those on our mailing list and posted to those without email access. *If you would like to receive a paper copy of this notice sheet please contact the office.* The Church office is staffed and open to the public 9am - 12noon Monday and Thursday. Please do call ahead to ensure that someone will be available to help you. Outside of these hours email and calls are monitored but please be aware it may take a few days for us to get back to you.

We have a **KCM Family WhatsApp** group for information about the church and a **KCM Social WhatsApp** group to share the more lighthearted social chat – if you would like to join these groups please contact Revd Emma or the wardens to be added.

### Keep an eye on our social media

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHVIkIL2tYUQ>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/KCMChurchPottersBar/>

Please send information for this notice sheet to Imogen at [office@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:office@kcm-church.org.uk) by 5pm Wednesday evening.  
In case of pastoral need, please contact Revd Emma.

#### Contact details:

**The Vicar**                      **Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson**

**Rest Day:**  
**Friday**

01707 661266 / 07549516589

vicar@

**Please email the relevant person and we will get back to you as soon as we can.**

All email addresses are [xxx@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:xxx@kcm-church.org.uk)

<b>Lay Minister / Reader</b>	David Thomson	reader@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Phil Townsend	churchwarden1@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Bill Simpson	churchwarden2@
<b>Safeguarding Officer</b>	Helen Schmitz	safeguarding@
<b>Admin Assistant</b>	Imogen St Pierre	office@
<b>PCC Secretary</b>	Nicola Thrussell	pccsecretary@
<b>Treasurer</b>	Steve Jones	treasurer@
<b>Children and Families Worker</b>	Vacant	families@
<b>Youth Worker</b>	Vacant	youth@
<b>Music</b>	Simon Worley	music@

**For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address and they will respond as soon as they can. [www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk) 01707 665579**

 **@KCMChurchPottersBar**

**Barnet Deanery Quiet Afternoon  
GOBIONS WOOD, BROOKMAN'S PARK**

# **'Bluebell Pilgrimage'**



## **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- ❖ **A quiet hour or so among the bluebells in Gobions Wood, near Brookmans Park**
- ❖ **Moderate walking, some uneven paths, trip hazards**
- ❖ **BYO poems / drinks / snack / mobile phone**
- ❖ **Meet at 1.45pm in the Car Park on Jonas Way, off Moffats Lane, AL9 7RW (down a short narrow track)**

Just turn up or contact Revd Louise Collins: 07759 283337 / [louise.collins59@hotmail.com](mailto:louise.collins59@hotmail.com)

Further info on location and site at:

<https://www.hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/nature-reserves/gobions-wood>