

Wymondham Abbey ❖ 14 April 2024 ❖ Sung Eucharist

EASTER THREE

The hymns, readings and prayers for the day:

Hymn	NEH 105	<i>Christ the Lord is risen again</i>	<i>Orientis Partibus</i>
Gloria		<i>St Peter's Mass</i>	<i>Goodrich</i>
Hymn	NEH 113	<i>Love's redeeming work is done</i>	<i>Savannah</i>
Hymn	NEH 296	<i>Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour</i>	<i>St Helen</i>
Setting		<i>Darke in F</i>	
Anthem		<i>O for a closer walk with God</i>	<i>arr. Stanford</i>
Hymn	NEH 305	<i>Soul of my saviour</i>	<i>Anima Christi</i>
Hymn	NEH 124	<i>Ye choirs of new Jerusalem</i>	<i>St Fulbert</i>
Organ voluntary		<i>Postlude on Orlando Gibbons' Song 22</i>	<i>– Stanford</i>

The Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The first reading: Acts 3: 12–19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him.

But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

‘And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer.

Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Gospel reading: Luke 24: 36b–48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.’ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, ‘Have you anything here to eat?’ They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, ‘These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.’

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

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This Week at Wymondham Abbey

Mon 15 April	10am	Morning Prayer,
	4pm	Evening Prayer
Tue 16 April	10am	Morning Prayer,
	10.30am	Centering Presence
	4pm	Evening Prayer
Wed 17 April	10am	Morning Prayer,
	10.30am	Eucharist
	10.30am	Crochet and Conversation
	4pm	Evening Prayer
	7pm	Guild Social and Quiz Evening
Thu 18 April	10am	Morning Prayer,
	9.30–11am	Parent and toddler group
	4pm	Evening Prayer
Fri 19 April	10am	Morning Prayer,
	11am	Funeral of Beryl Freda Butterwick
	4pm	Evening Prayer
Sat 20 April	10.30am	APCM
Sun 21 April	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	5pm	Choral Evensong – Music by William Byrd

Funerals next week:

Mon 22 April	11.30am	Funeral of Shirley Foulsham
Fri 26 April	11.30am	Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Jill Mitton

Pastoral visits: If you know anyone who might welcome a pastoral visit please let Fr Christopher know: canon@wymondhamabbey.org.uk
Tel: 01953 605671 (office) Mobile: 07543 593903 (direct)

This week we pray especially for:

The sick: Geoffrey Dorling, Catherine Mack, Julia Parker, Allan Pointer, Roy Pulsford, James

Recently departed: Beryl Butterwick, Shirley Foulsham, Carol Mainstone

Years Mind: Canon James Godfrey Tansley Thomas, former Vicar

All who have lost loved ones

Churchwardens' Chat

A very warm welcome to the Abbey today.

Tonight at 5pm Evensong:

Readings: Deuteronomy 7: 7-13, Revelation 2: 1-11, Psalm 142

Hymns: NEH 346, 142, 475, 393

Our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** will take place on Saturday at 10.30am in the nave of the Abbey.

Do come and hear the very encouraging reports on the activities and financial matters of the last year.

We will also elect Churchwardens, PCC and Synod Members for 2024/5.

There is a multi-purpose box on the welcome desk for completed Electoral Roll and PCC nomination forms.

Printed copies of the Annual Report and Accounts will be available from the welcome desk from midweek. Please send Barbara Randall an email if you would like an electronic copy barbara@stedmunds2.org.uk

This year's **Abbey Duck Race** is on **Bank Holiday Monday 6 May**.

Please tell your friends and neighbours and come and enjoy this very popular family-friendly event down by the river at Becketswell. The fun starts at 11am. The first race is at 11.30.



Get prepared! Be at the front of the queue for the fastest ducks! Bring extra cash with you next Sunday so you can sponsor a Duck (or more than one or two – even a whole flock!) in one (or more than one!) of the races.

From £1 per duck!

The tombola is always popular and if you have suitable prizes for the duck race tombola please bring them in. We used lots at the Easter fair and extra donations will be most welcome. It's always a good money raiser. We can always keep spare prizes for our next event.



And for bits and bobs which aren't quite right for the Tombola, would anyone like to help with a **bric-a-brac stall**? Surely everyone has something they could donate for that! Every bit helps raise funds to support the Abbey.

In two weeks time we have our next **Sundays at Three** event. Entitled '**Heard but Rarely Seen**', it's a talk by Hayden Charles (the Abbey's Ringing Master) on the history, technology and personalities behind Wymondham's bells. Free entry, retiring collection in aid of Abbey funds and refreshments. Not to be missed!