

Wymondham Abbey ❖ 21 April 2024 ❖ Sung Eucharist

EASTER FOUR

The hymns, readings and prayers for the day:

Hymn NHWS 142 I cannot tell Danny Boy

Gloria Camberwell arr. Goodrich

Psalm 23 

**R I will dwell in your house for ev - - er**

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. **R**

He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

Hymn NHWS 214 Love is his word Cresswell

Setting Darke in E

Anthem with Jr Choir The Lord is my shepherd Howard Goodall

Hymn NHWS 63 Faithfull shepherd, feed me Pastor Pastorum

Hymn NHWS 172 Jesus calls us Hyfrydol (NHWS 168)

Organ voluntary

**The Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### ***The first reading: Acts 4: 5–12***

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family.

When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, ‘By what power or by what name did you do this?’

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, ‘Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead.

This Jesus is “the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.”

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.

### ***Gospel reading: John 10: 11–18***

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

### ***Post Communion Prayer***

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## This Week at Wymondham Abbey

<b>Mon 22 April</b>	10am	Morning Prayer,
	11.30am	Funeral of Shirley Ann Foulsham
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Tue 23 April</b>	10am	Morning Prayer,
	10.30am	Centering Presence
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Wed 24 April</b>	10am	Morning Prayer,
	10.30am	Eucharist
	10.30am	Crochet and Conversation
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Thu 25 April</b>	10am	Morning Prayer,
	9.30–11am	Parent and toddler group
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Fri 26 April</b>	10am	Morning Prayer,
	11.30am	Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Jill Mitton
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Sat 27 April</b>		
<b>Sun 28 April</b>	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	5pm	Evensong

**Parish Giving Scheme** Thank you for your regular giving. If you are not on the scheme you can offer cash or card donations at any of the giving stations. You can support the Abbey at [www.wymondhamabbey.org.uk/giving](http://www.wymondhamabbey.org.uk/giving)

**Pastoral visits:** If you know anyone who might welcome a pastoral visit please let Fr Christopher know: [canon@wymondhamabbey.org.uk](mailto: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, Eileen

**Recently departed:** Beryl Butterwick, Sandra Fryer, Jill Mitton

**Years Mind:** Albert Edward Reeve, Ann George, Joyce Cole-Wilkin

**All who have lost loved ones**

## Churchwardens' Chat

A very warm welcome to the Abbey today. We are delighted to welcome our Junior Choir (and their families) who will be enhancing our worship.

We also wish to express our thanks to Daniel Ayers who has been playing organ for our morning services since Easter. He's going back to college next week. Thank you for the music, Daniel!

Tonight at 5pm is our **monthly Choral Evensong**. Tonight, it features sublime music by the great **William Byrd**.

Setting: *Byrd Second Service*; Responses: *Byrd*, Anthem: *Sing Joyfully – Byrd*

Readings: Exodus 16: 4–15, Rev. 2: 12–17, Psalm 81: 8–16,

Hymns: NEH 390, 438, 427,

**The Summer Fashion Show in the Abbey is on Thursday 2 May at 7pm**

Middletons Clothing will be presenting classic quality clothing. Thanks to Renos and Kemball & Franklyn who are providing wine and canapes. Tickets, £12 are selling fast. They are available from the shop or on-line! The price includes a first drink, canapes, discount voucher and prize draw entry to win a £100 voucher. There will also be a pay bar. A fun night out is promised.

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! **£1 per duck**.



**The tombola** is always popular and if you have more suitable prizes for the duck race tombola please bring them in. We used lots at the Easter fair and extra donations are always welcome. Spares can be kept for the next event. We're also having a **bric-a-brac stall**. Perhaps you have some things to donate for that! Every bit helps raise funds to support the Abbey.

Please note that **weekday Evening Prayer** will now take place at **3:30pm** throughout the summer. This is being done to improve the locking up process at 4pm. Note also (and this is related to the change of time of EP) that the **Abbey Shop** will now be open daily from **10:30am to 3:30pm**. The church will continue to be open from 10 till 4.