

WEEKLY NOTES

21ST APRIL 2024

4th Sunday of Easter



A warm welcome to any visiting us for the first time.

YOU CAN FIND US ON "A CHURCH NEAR YOU" AT [St Mary's Ewell - A Church Near You](http://www.stmarysewell.com)

Today

8:00 Holy Communion

9:30 Sung Eucharist in Church and Jesus and Me Family Service in Ewell Village Hall

17:30 Choral Evensong

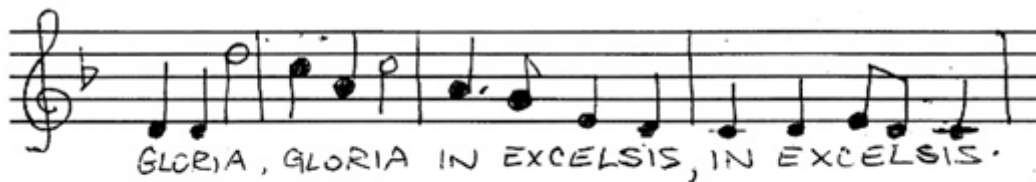
Introit: Teach my thy way O Lord- Fox

Mass setting: Ireland in C

Opening Hymn: 332 All hail the power of Jesu's name (omit v 2&3)

Vidi Aquam: Grüber

Gloria: Hebridean Gloria – **please join in singing the refrain.**



First reading: Acts 4:5-12

Gradual hymn: 459 The Lord's my Shepherd

The Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

Offertory Hymn: 282 Faithful shepherd feed me (pastor pastorum)

Communion Anthem: I give to you a new commandment - Nardone

Final hymn: 338 At the name of Jesus

Lent boxes – Can we have any outstanding Lent appeal boxes returned to Church by NEXT SUNDAY please. Thank you.

Please be aware that the 9:30 service is streamed and can be viewed on our Facebook page.

What's on next week?

Morning prayer is said in Church and online at 9:00am Monday – Friday.

Tuesday 10:00am Holy Communion.

Saturday at 9:00am – Prayers for Peace.

Sunday 28th April – 5th Sunday of Easter

8:00am Said Communion.

9:30am Choral Eucharist.

11:15am Sung Mattins (St Mary's Singers)

6:30pm at All Saints' West Ewell – Confirmation

Boys' night out- Fancy a noggin and a natter, meet at the Wheatsheaf Wednesday 15th May at 7:30pm.

St Mary's on-line quizzes on Zoom. In April EPN the date for our next quiz is given as Wednesday 8 May. Unfortunately we have had to postpone what will be our 50th quiz. We now plan to hold it in June at a date to be arranged in due course. We apologise for this.

Spring Market

A warm welcome awaits visitors to St. Mary's Spring Market. This ever-popular event will be held on Saturday 4th May in Ewell Village Hall from 10am – 12noon. There is always a huge demand for plants so please get planting to help stock the stalls. Freshly baked cakes are always popular so donations on the Friday afternoon or Saturday morning will be welcome.

There will be a raffle and again any donations for this will also be welcome.

Please contact Gill Bird on 01372 277436

Volunteers needed - Ewell Village Fair - Saturday 13th July 2024 10:30 – 16:00

As always there is much to do and hopefully many of you will feel able to help with the million and one tasks, we need to complete. The Fair is one of our biggest fund-raising activities and the only way it will happen is if we all take a role in making it happen! It would be great if you can have a look at the sign-up sheet at the back of Church and see if you can help in any way.

EPN- Copies of April EPN are available at the back of Church.

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APCM 2024 – Please be aware that we will be holding our Church Annual meeting on 12th May. If you are new to the Church, you may not yet be on the electoral roll, which you need to be if you wish to vote at the meeting. Please speak to Helen Crossley, our electoral roll officer, about this as soon as possible. The roll closes on 21st April **THIS SUNDAY** and remains closed until after the APCM! If you would like to stand to join the PCC or Deanery Synod, please speak to Fr Mark.

Are you ready for 'No Mow May'? Leaving your lawn with some long grass and maybe wildflowers benefits wildlife, tackles pollution and can even lock away carbon below ground. Will you be one of the 20 million gardens in the UK which benefit the environment through 'No Mow May' this year? You can find out more at <https://www.plantlife.org.uk/campaigns/nomowmay/>

Would you like to join us as we Beat the bounds 5th May 2024?

Beating the bounds is a great historical event; it is a centuries-old tradition aimed at reminding everyone of boundaries that were important in their lives.

It would be great if on Sunday 5th May 2024, after the 9:30 service we could walk and “beat” our parish boundaries. The full boundary walk is about 8.5 miles, but there is also a possible shorter route 4.5 miles.

If you would be interested, could you indicate as such by adding your name on the sheet at the back of Church. If you don't attend Church but would like to come, please talk to Fr Mark or Tim Price.

April Music at St Mary's 27th April 7.30 - 9.30pm Former chorister of St Mary's, Lizzy Humphries (Soprano), returns with former organ scholar of St Mary's, Jonathan Allsopp (Assistant Director of Music Southwell Minster), for a programme of songs entitled 'Love and Nature'. Suggested donation £10.

PARISH RETREAT Saturday 11 May: Taking time out is good for your well-being! Treat yourself to a day reading, reflecting, being creative, chatting or simply being, indoors or outdoors (weather permitting). Venue: The Abbey House, Chertsey KT16 8RJ. Time: 10am to 4pm or come when you can. Bring your own lunch. Tea, coffee and biscuits available through the day. There is no cost but donations are welcome (around £5-£10.) Information is in April's EPN on page 9 or on the church website at <https://www.stmarysewell.com/st-marys-parish-retreat-11-may-2024/> Sign the list at the back of church if you'd like to come and indicate if you would like a lift, or contact Sue Ayling (See back page for contact details).

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Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Post Communion

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.**

Sunday Prayer Cycle

In Anglican Cycle of Prayer,
we pray for The Anglican
Church of Australia.

In our Parish we pray for
those who live on St James
Avenue, St John's
Avenue, St Mary's
Close, St Norman's
Way, and Satis Court.
We also pray for Wallace
Fields Infant & Junior
Schools, Water aid.

Prayer Resources

You can ask our **prayer
chain** to pray for you or for
someone else. Contact
Wendy Varney on 020
8393 5212.

Contact Information

For safeguarding queries contact Helen on
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Send submissions for the parish magazine to [epn@stmarysewell.com](mailto:e pn@stmarysewell.com)

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