

ALL SAINTS'



This week's Newsbulletin

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

Services for this week

3rd Sunday of Easter 18th April

10.00 Family Eucharist on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87271593002?pwd=Um5QT3Z2ZEXS0VL3pTaG13cUxTZz09>

Meeting ID: 872 7159 3002

Passcode: 967985

11.30 Said Eucharist in All Saints

We will follow the government guidelines of distancing, sanitising, facemasks and no conversation.

Tuesday 20th

11.00 Morning Prayer on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88015708219>

Meeting ID: 880 1570 8219

Wednesday 21st

12.00 Funeral of Edna Barnard

'Zoom'-ing by 'phone

Call 0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237, 0203 481 5240 or 0131460 1196 and use meeting id followed by #

'Peace be with you'

Dear Friends,

This week we reflect on how Jesus says to his disciples "Peace be with you". It's a phrase so often used in our services that we may not always stop to think about this peace. What does it mean, how are we given this peace and what difference does this make to the way we live our lives?

I imagine that we respond in the same way as Jesus' disciples reacted as it says in Luke's Gospel, with a mixture of fear, joy, disbelieving and wondering. Jesus has to open their minds to the true meaning of the Scriptures, to assure them that this is not something too good to be true or - even worse - some bizarre superstition but a lasting, life-giving reality of God's eternal love and salvation.

During this third Lockdown, our lives may well have felt far from peaceful, our emotions often churning up because of fear, loss and isolation and as the restrictions begin to ease I hope that we can listen out for those words of peace, reflect on their deep meaning and live out this peace in our daily lives.

Love,
Jo

*Miraculous God,
come to us now,
even as your Son came
to those first disciples
on the shores of Galilee.
Speak your peace to our hearts.
Touch us with your Holy Spirit.
Reveal your word,
that we may hear your message this day,
and live as your disciples
in the days and years to come.
In Christ's name, we pray.
Amen.*

HRH The Duke of Edinburgh Civic Services



There will be two invitation-only Civic services in the diocese in the presence of Lords-Lieutenant to remember in prayer the Duke of Edinburgh and the Royal Family.

Both services will be streamed and available for viewing afterwards.

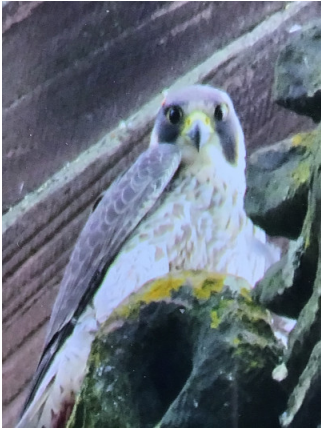
5:00 pm, Friday 16th April,
St Paul's Church, Bedford:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwgW4Fj0qNoGNes33jzD7bQ_

4:00 pm, Sunday 18th April
St Albans cathedral:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rbbJu3o9Xds>

Peregrine falcons



Our new residents are settling in. Juvenile female (Photo: Kevin Garrett 8th April) above and male (Photo: Jackie Angus 12th April) to left.

There are signs that the falcons have made indentations in the gravel box for a nest, Barry and Lyn Trevis climbed up to the top of the tower to check on Monday but we will probably have to wait for next year for them to mate properly. How marvellous if those dark red eggs were to be laid one day on top of our tower!

Annual meetings

These will be held on 25th April by Zoom. If anyone is unable to join us by computer, tablet, smart phone or telephone, please speak to Jo.

The Diocese ran some training on Annual Meetings earlier this year covering both what the new '2020 Church Representation Rules' require and also how to hold them safely during the pandemic.

We will be holding two meetings:

A 'Meeting of Parishioners' at 11.00, solely to choose two Churchwardens. This is open to "the persons whose names are entered on the church electoral roll of the parish; and the persons resident in the parish whose names

are entered on a register of local government electors by reason of such residence."

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting at 11.05

Open to those on the Electoral Roll of the Parish. In accordance with the guidance from the Diocese this meeting will cover the following:

- a report on the changes to the Electoral Roll since the last Annual Meeting.
- An annual report on the proceedings of the PCC and the activities of the parish generally,
- the financial statements of the PCC for the year ending on the 31 December preceding the meeting,
- the annual Fabric Report under section 50 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018
- a Report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod and
- Election of PCC Members.

Please note that other things, e.g. election of sides-people are matters for the PCC and not the APCM and so have not been included.

Further information and links to financial statements etc:

<https://www.allsaintshertford.org/apcm.php>

The Zoom links are as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85453042971?pwd=VIF6eEFBbXJWMWx0TkdmU5zcE5tQT09>

Dial by your location 0131 460 1196 or 0203 481 5237 or 0203 481 5240

Meeting ID: 854 5304 2971 Passcode: 320130

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