SERVICES NEXT WEEK SUNDAY 28TH APRIL **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

ABBEY - 8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) WARBOROUGH - 8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) **LITTLE WITTENHAM – 8.30** AM HOLY COMMUNION **DRAYTON ST LEONARD 9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION STADHAMPTON** - 9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) **ABBEY - 10.30 AM MORNING WORSHIP** MARSH BALDON - 11.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION BERINSFIELD - 11.00 AM CAP WARBOROUGH - 6.00 PM EVENSONG

NOTICES

Community Coffee Morning meets every Tuesday at Berinsfield Church Hall 10.30am-12pm. Open to everyone and will remain Dementia friendly.

Baby and Toddler Time – In the Abbey Wednesdays 9.30 am - 10.45 am

Community Coffee Morning in the Abbey Tuesdays 11.00 am - 12 pm

Contact the Abbey Office

If you are feeling fragile or alone at home, and would like to have a home visit or Communion at home, please contact Sandie or Sam at the Abbey office on

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Sunday 21st April **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Welcome to our services today, especially any who are visiting us or are new parishioners. Please make yourself known to the clergy or those on duty.

THE COLLECTS

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

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

BIBLE READINGS

Acts 4:5-12

5 The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' 8Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, 9if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let 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. ¹¹This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

HYMNS

Great is thy faithfulness 650 The Lord's my Shepherd 800 There's a wideness in God's mercy 806 There is a redeemer 805

11 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The 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. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good

shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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.'

THE 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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

For our planet, our 'common home', as people across the world celebrate Earth Day on 22nd April
For the churches in the Dorchester Team that they will be inspired to find ways to 'safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the Earth' (C of E 5th Mark of Mission)
For all members of the congregations across the Dorchester Team, that together we may change our personal lifestyles to be better stewards of God's Creation and thereby worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength – and love our neighbours as ourselves

We ask this in the name of your son, our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Acts 8.26-40 1 John 4.7-21 John 15.1-8

CONFIRMATION

If anyone is interested in being confirmed this year (adults or children aged 10+) please contact Sorrel on revdsorrelshamelwood@gmail.com



