

ST MARY ST MICHAEL

TRUMPINGTON

SUNDAY 31 March – EASTER SUNDAY

7am Easter Sunrise Service with Grantchester on
Grantchester Meadows (park on Mill Way)
8.30am BCP Communion
10am Holy Communion with Egg Hunt after
the service

COLLECT

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken
the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith
and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life
stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

READINGS *(in pew bibles)*

NT – Acts 10: 34-43, p.138

GOSPEL – Mark 16: 1-8, p.58

NEXT WEEK

8.30am BCP Communion
10am All Age Communion with Baptism

PRAYERS THIS WEEK – Please pray for baby Harrison
who is being baptised on 7 April, and for his family.

Pray for the wedding couple – Shardha and William –
who get married in church on 6 April.

Pray for all who are searching for Resurrection hope in
their personal lives, or in situations they are facing. May
they know and experience the transformative power and
peace of the Risen Lord.

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CHURCH OFFICE – OPEN

9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

(Closed Easter Monday and Tuesday 2 April this week)

Emma's email address is: admin@trumpington.church

CHURCH NOTICES

APCM election and Electoral Roll forms – now available
on the table between Roger's tomb and the pulpit.

The APCM is on 21 April after the 10am service. All most
welcome.

BOOK GROUP – WHAT TO READ NEXT

The Book Group is reading *Lydia* by Paula Gooder to
discuss when we meet again on Thursday 2 May. All
welcome – no invitation needed! For more information
please email bookgroup@trumpington.church

BIBLE STUDY Please contact Mandy if you want to join
the group on Tuesday evening (online) or Wednesday
evening (in person).

GIVING

If you would like to make a donation in support of the
life and ministry of the church, you can:

- Leave a cash donation in the plate provided
- Make a contactless donation using the GoodBox
- Use a yellow envelope (if you pay tax we can claim
the Gift Aid)

Please speak to Edmund about making a regular
electronic gift and the best way to do this. Everything
helps – thank you!

SUMMER CAMP

Junior Church families are going camping at the Jarman
Centre, Newmarket, 12-14 July. If you are interested in
going, please contact Mandy.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

*Please note that the next edition of The Trumpet will be
delivered after Easter.*

VOLUNTEER DRIVER SCHEME

FOR TRUMPINGTON AND GRANTCHESTER

Drivers and co-ordinators needed. Training given and
costs reimbursed. Interested?

Call Carol on 0788 181 2051 to register your interest.

CAMBRIDGE CITY FOODBANK – VANCANCY

TRUMPINGTON AFFORDABLE FOOD CLUB

COORDINATOR

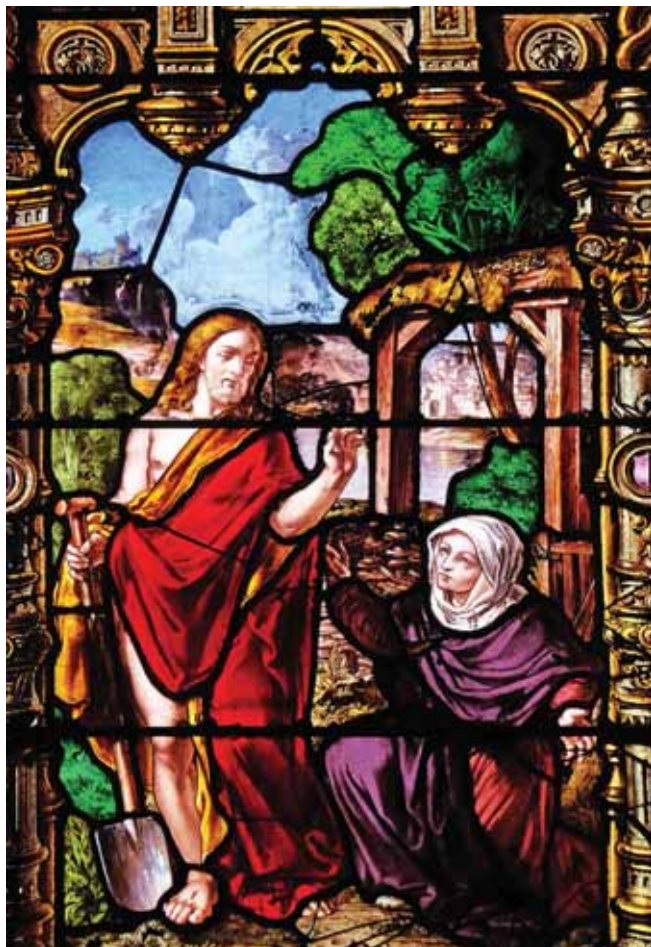
To coordinate the food hub and volunteers as it develops
into a social supermarket.

Post is 8Hrs/week including Friday mornings.

Deadline 8 April. Contact lisa.salloway@ccfb.org.uk

*If you want to put a note in the pewsheets, please contact
Emma in the office no later than Wednesday if the note is
intended for the forthcoming Sunday.*

We wish everybody a Holy and Blessed Easter



The Risen Christ and Mary Magdalene, Church of Saint-Gervais-Saint-Protais, Paris

Thinking the unthinkable

Gillian Cooper *reflects on* John 20:1-18

Mary thought he was the gardener. She was, after all, in a garden, and Jesus, she knew, was dead. The empty tomb, the missing body, even the presence of mysterious figures in white, failed to shake that knowledge. She had seen him die and watched as he was buried. Someone must have moved the body; there was no other possible explanation.

Every year we follow Jesus through Holy Week. We face the dreadfulness of Good Friday and the emptiness of Holy Saturday, but we know that Easter Day is coming. So it is helpful that the Gospel readings emphasise the sheer shock of the Easter events. The resurrection was not expected. It was a miracle way beyond anyone's imagining. So impossible was it that even Mary, close as she was to Jesus, could not see him when he stood in front of her. Only when she heard her name spoken could she begin to think the unthinkable. Then she knew that the world had changed, and everyone had to be told.

The resurrection of Jesus is a shocking turning point in the story of the relationship between humanity and God. It tells us with absolute certainty that death has no hold over God, or over us. It shows that in God's universe, love is stronger than hate. In the quiet garden, a man and a woman speak each other's names, and the world is made new. 🕊

The Church Fathers

Part 3, Justin Martyr

by Richard Gunning

Richard Gunning continues our look at the early Church Fathers.

Justin Martyr (c. 100-165) was born into a pagan family before converting to Christianity. A professional philosopher and Platonist, he soon became convinced of the moral and spiritual superiority of Christianity. Travelling widely, he spread the word that Christianity was the "true philosophy" and famously

wrote: "Whatever has been uttered aright by any men in any place belongs to us Christians; for, next to God, we worship and love the reason (Word) which is from the unbegotten and ineffable God."

Most of his works are lost, but some survive. His best-known text, *The First Apology*, passionately defends the morality of the Christian life, and provides various ethical and philosophical arguments to convince the Roman emperor to abandon the persecution of the Church.

Justin was martyred, along with some of his students, in Rome. 🕊

Living Lord Jesus, surprise us with your presence in unexpected places and at times of our greatest need; that all our fears and sorrows may be turned to joy, and we may bear witness to your promise of eternal life. Amen.

Finding God on the smallholding

by Jeni Parsons

We'd never had turkeys before so when a local smallholder was selling turkey eggs at the gate of their small farm we bought some. Two of our hens had just gone broody so we divided the eggs between them. Four weeks of waiting but then, in the nest

box, was a chick but upside down, quite cold and still. I picked it up to take it away to bury it, but the warmth of my hand as I walked back to the house changed the story from sadness to hope, as first there was faint movement in the toes and then, under the heat lamp, a return to faint life.

The tiny bird wanted to live and I wanted it to live. It was enough. When the Spirit of God brooded over the waters in Genesis and there was life it was more than enough – "and behold it was good". 🕊

“Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power to our God.”

Revelation 19:1