# Diary April 2024

<u>Mon 15th</u> 7.00pm Tilstock Church APCM meeting in church <u>Tues 16th</u>

2.00pm FTW Rota meeting in church office

7.00pm—7.30pm Vestry with Churchwardens in St Alkmund's for Baptism/Wedding enquiries 7.45pm Churches Together Meeting in St Alkmund's

Wed 17th

2.00pm Time Together in Bargates Hall, W/ch 7.00pm Choir practice in St Alkmund's Church Thurs 18th

**11.15am** Communion in Greenfields Care Home, W/ch 10.45am Funeral of Margaret Clive at Crewe Crematorium

7.00pm Bell ringing practice in St Alkmund's, W/ch <u>Fri 19th</u>

\*\*Please note the Benefice Office is closed on this day\*\*

# FTW NOTICES

THE ARCHDEACONS OF SALOP'S VISITATIONS 2024 Wem and Whitchurch and Hodnet—Tuesday 25th June -Service starts at 7pm in St Alkmunds Church, W/ch.

**TIME TOGETHER** for those with memory loss or dementia and their family members or carers: meets next on Wednesdays 17th April & 1st May at 2.00pm in Bargates Hall.

**ZOOM GATHERINGS:** Contact Judy Bellingham on 07427 884116, bellinghamjudy6@gmail.com for the link, log in and passwords:

- Wednesday Morning Prayer at 10.00am
- ◆ Friday Chat over a cup of Tea at 4.00pm

◆ Friday (or last Thursday of the month), prayers at 9.30am. Contact Caroline Sewry on 01948 841046 or c.sewry@imperial.ac.uk for zoom link. Link via telephone may be possible for those without computer access.

FAULS SUNDAY LUNCH: is today in Fauls Church Hall. Pre booking was required.

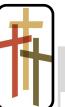
**GETTING TO CHURCH:** For anyone experiencing transport problems getting to church for the services: for information on car sharing please contact Alison Dunne on 01948 667102 or email ftwstalkmunds@gmail.com

**ST ALKMUND'S ELECTORAL ROLL 2024:** The revision of the electoral roll has now been closed and a list, containing names only, will be available for inspection in the church from 7th April to 21st April. Please correct any errors on the list or notify the electoral roll officer, Paul Williamson on 01948 664112.

**PLANT SALE:** In spite of last year's proposed swan song for the plant sale, we have decided to have a 'pots only' sale to be ready from the second week of May. You can order your pots anytime from now onwards and pay when you collect in May—Medium size £10.00 Contact Judy Bryant either at church or by phone 01948 663234

HAND CROSSES: made from the pews removed from St Alkmunds, sample at the back of St Alkmund's church, £3 each (or more if you wish), all the money is donated to Hope House. To order contact Eric Williams on 01948 661851

FAULS COFFEE MORNING: In aid of Holy Immanuel church, on Saturday 11th May in Fauls Church Hall 10.30am-12pm.



THE PARISHES OF FAULS, TILSTOCK & WHITCHURCH

POSTCODES: Fauls SY13 2AS; Tilstock SY13 3JL; W/ch SY13 1LB WEBSITES: www.holy-immanuel-fauls.yolasite.com www.christ-church-tilstock.yolasite.com www.stalkmunds.com

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RECTOR OF FAULS, TILSTOCK, & WHITCHURCH Rev Chris Precious The Rectory, Church Street, Whitchurch, SY13 1LB rectorftw@gmail.com 01948 740177 / 07867 367627

> CURATE of the 3 parishes Rev Pippa White <u>curateftw@gmail.com</u> 07453 457507

FTW BENEFICE ADMINISTRATOR - 01948 667102 Mrs Alison Dunne: <u>ftwstalkmunds@gmail.com</u> Please phone or email, prior to visiting, if you need to see the Parish Administrator ASSOCIATE MINISTER of the 3 parishes - 01948 840039 Revd Sue Armstrong: Tarragon Cottage, Providence Grove, Prees, Whitchurch, SY13 2DH. revsuea399@gmail.com

READER of the 3 parishes - 01948 663184

Mrs Jane Rylands: Ellesmere House, 28 Dodington, Whitchurch SY13 1DZ jane@rylands.me.uk

Donations to:

St Alkmund's Church may be made to: Whitchurch Parochial Church Council, Charity No 1129900, Barclays Bank - Sort Code: 20-77-85 Account No: 80275417. Holy Immanuel, Fauls may be made to: Fauls Parochial Church Council, Sort Code: 20-45-45 Account No: 70731633 Christ Church, Tilstock may be made to: Tilstock Parochial Church

Council, Sort Code: 30-99-58 Account No: 00463523

# Sunday 14th April 2024 *Easter* 3



8.00am Whitchurch 9.30am Fauls	No Service Holy Communion Rev Chris Precious
10.00am Whitchurch	<b>Morning Worship</b> Williamson Family Celia Churchill
11.00am Tilstock	Holy Communion Rev Chris Precious
12noon Whitchurch Reub	<b>Holy Baptism</b> — en Brian John Brackenridge Rev Pippa White
6.30pm Whitchurch	<b>Sung Evensong</b> Rev Pippa White

# Sunday 21st April *Easter 4*

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**COLLECT: PRAYER FOR TODAY** 

**Risen Christ**, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life

and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

#### ACTS 3:12-19

Peter and John discovered that the power of the risen Christ was at work through them, to heal as he had done. Peter explained this miracle, and called the people to repent and believe in the Messiah whom the Jews had rejected.

#### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

<sup>12</sup>When Peter saw their reaction, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? 13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. <sup>17</sup> 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

#### PSALM 4

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer. <sup>2</sup>How long, you people, shall my honour suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? <sup>3</sup>But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself: the LORD hears when I call to him. <sup>4</sup>When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. <sup>5</sup>Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. <sup>6</sup>There are many who say, 'O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!' <sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. <sup>8</sup>I will both lie down and sleep in peace;

for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit/Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

### 1 John 3:1-7

We do not know what our life after death will be like. Our faith is that we shall see and know completely the Christ whom we follow here, and so we shall be like him. Therefore, we must here and now put away all sin.

# A reading from the first letter of John

<sup>3</sup> 'See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. 6No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

#### This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

# LUKE 24:36b-48

The appearances of the risen Jesus were always unexpected. This is Luke's end of the first Easter Day, and shows us Jesus still teaching his friends how the Scriptures were fulfilled in what has happened.

# Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION PRAYER Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.