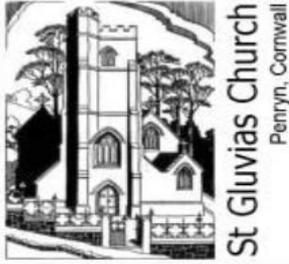


# Weekly Notices



St Gluvias Church  
Penryn, Cornwall

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent

### (Passion Sunday)

Sunday 22nd March 2026

10am Sung Eucharist

Fr Tim Pilkington

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#### Collect:

*Most merciful God,*

who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever..

**Amen.**

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#### A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and

say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."

I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

#### A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

#### Gospel according to John

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill.

So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it

is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them."

After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right."

Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.

Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.

Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."

Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."

When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

### Post Communion Prayer

*Lord Jesus Christ,*  
you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Weekly Worship

■ Tuesday 24 March 10:15am –  
Said Eucharist

■ Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 12noon –  
Stations of the Cross  
with Fr Tim Pilkington

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## Weekly Notices

### LENT Appeals

#### Penryn & Falmouth

**Foodbank** – *do please consider if you are able to provide items for the foodbank this Lent.*

**WaterAid** – *There will be a plate at the back of church for any donations towards the work being undertaken by WaterAid*

#### Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Easter 2026

*We appreciate any donation towards the vouchers – any amount will be gratefully received.*

**Donations to be made to the CAP**

**Blessings Fund with reference:**

**'CAP Easter 2026'**

**Sort code 20-87-94**

**Account no. 33385906**

## Weekly Prayer Intentions:

### Mission and Ministry of this Parish:

For those living and working in Penryn and surrounding villages. For the parish of St. Gluvias and a growth in our congregation.

For the homeless in our parish and throughout the country. For those that rely on the support of the Foodbank.

### For the World:

We pray for victims of terrorism the world over; for all affected by atrocities around the world and for persecuted Christians.

*Heavenly Father, we lift to You the people of Ukraine and Russia, their nations and leaders. As the God who provides, may Your help and mercy reach all who suffer. Amid the pain and conflict in the Middle East, guide the region's leaders and turn their hearts toward justice and peace.*

We continue to pray for all people fleeing violence and oppression. For all exploited by people smugglers and for refugees across the world.

For those affected by natural disasters around the world. Help us to value the environment so that we can all work to reverse climate change and global warming.

### In the diocese cycle of prayer:

#### ALL THOSE INVOLVED IN

**SAFEGUARDING** *Loving Heavenly Father, We give thanks for Your Son and His great sacrifice made for us. His love that surrounds us and gives us peace. We think today of those who feel unsafe, fearful, or threatened. Give them strength to reach out, and feel Your loving arms around them. For those who offer comfort and support, give them empathy, courage and the words to convey Your love in difficult situations. Amen.*

*Prayer by Kathryn Walker,  
Parish Safeguarding Office, Trinity Church Truro*

### Anglican Communion:

5th Sunday of Lent The Anglican Church of Korea.

**Next PCC Meeting –  
Thursday 24 March at 6pm –  
St Gluvias Church.**

## **Prayers for the Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Let us pray to God, the giver of life in this world and in his eternal Kingdom.

Breathe new life into the Church...Break through our sloth and indifference...Give us power to proclaim Jesus as the Resurrection and the life.

Bless the wilderness places of the world, where the springs of hope have become dry...Heal with your life-giving Spirit all who are weighed down by the burden of materialism.

Lead us, our families and friends, in the way of true righteousness...Give us lives more joyful in the assurance of sins forgiven.

We pray for those suffering in mind, body or spirit, especially...

**Joan Wood, Pat Rogers, Lilian Hosking, Joan Whitford, Roderick & Jackie Dare, Leigh Kitto, and young Lilly.**

Comfort those who mourn, so that they may know that death is not the end...Give the Spirit of life to how whose spirits are broken by sorrow....We remember especially **Benjamin Parry, Kenneth Davey (17<sup>th</sup>), Harry Jewell (22<sup>nd</sup>), Ella Welburn (23<sup>rd</sup>), Emily White, John Woodward, Janet Parker, Paul Buller (26<sup>th</sup>).**

Confident in the promise that those who believe in Jesus Christ will live though they are dead, we give thanks for all who have left their earthly body and entered into the greater life of the Spirit.

We make our prayers in the name of Christ who has raised us from the death of sin to eternal life. **Amen**

**Passiontide** is the final two weeks of Lent in traditional Christian liturgies, beginning on **Passion Sunday** (the fifth Sunday of Lent) and concluding on **Holy Saturday**, immediately preceding Easter. It is a solemn period focusing on the Passion and suffering of Jesus Christ, often characterized by the veiling of crosses and statues in purple to heighten anticipation of **Holy Week**.