



The Parish of St David, Exeter Your Weekly Update for Easter Sunday, 5 April 2026

Sunday, 5 April – Easter Day

- 9.30am Parish Communion led by Mike Clark with preacher Sarah Cumming
- 6pm Evening Prayer led by Suki Coe

Tuesday, 7 April - 9.00-9.30am - Zoom Morning Prayer

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 751 5441 1369

Passcode: 1eAEkv

Thursday, 9 April

- 10.30am Holy Communion led by Sarah Cumming

Sunday, 12 April – Second Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Parish Communion led by Sarah Cumming
- 6pm Evening Prayer led by Ian Cartwright

Follow for services this week at:- [St Michael's and All Angels CD](#)

Messages from the Vicar and Churchwardens

Pastoral Re-organisation - Formal notice regarding the new parish of St Michael and All Angels is on display in church. Representations must be made by **13 April**.

Church Electoral Roll – the revision period for the electoral role takes place from **13-26 April**; new members should speak to Sue Wilson or Alice Francis. If you have changed your address, please let Sue or Alice know. Application forms are available in church.

Church yard spring tidy up - Di Jacob looks forward to welcoming anyone, even those with no "green fingers" to bringing gloves, enthusiasm and energy to help make the grounds look more cared for and tidy on **Saturday 18 April from 10.00 -12noon**.

If you have any gardening tools which you like to use, please bring them, otherwise there is a selection available at the church. Please come along even if you can only help for a short time. With many thanks in anticipation, Di Jacob, Church yard co-ordinator

Visiting and Home Communion – If you would like to be visited or phoned by someone from the church community, please let Mike Clark know on 07889 570159 or by emailing mike.clark@exeter.anglican.org. For Communion at home, either for yourself or someone you know, please contact Ian Cartwright on 07813 795616.

Welcome – We are still looking for another couple of people to join the Welcome team. This is a vital part of our ministry, and an important role so please do think about it. If you might be interested, please see Sue Wilson or the Churchwardens.

Covid/colds and flu – If you're feeling under the weather, please prioritise your rest and join us from home to keep our community healthy!

Events

Exeter Bach Choir will perform Joseph Haydn's 'The Creation' in church on **Saturday 11 April** at 7pm. [Click here](#) to buy tickets.

Tuesday Friendship Café – the next '[Try It Out Tuesday](#)' will be on **21 April**. This event is run in partnership with Exeter College Community and Partnerships. All are welcome.

Parish Lunch - will take place on **Thursday 23 April** at 12 noon at the Imperial. There's no need to sign up, just join us on the day. As usual, a group will be walking across from the church, leaving at 11.45 am.

Women's Breakfast – the next breakfast will be on **Saturday 25 April** at 9am at [Sylvania Community Store and Café](#). You are very welcome to come and join us.

Wednesday Walks – if you enjoy convivial conversation, gentle strolls, the changing of the seasons and a coffee please join us at 9am at the door at the west end of St David's when we leave promptly. Please just turn up or speak to Helena in church.

In Roots and Shoots:

Celebrating a Momentous Moment as Archbishop Sarah Installed
Last week the Most Rev'd Dame Sarah Mullally, was installed as the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury, becoming the first ever female leader of the Church of England at Canterbury Cathedral. The service can be watched [here on BBC iPlayer](#).

Archbishop Sarah served as the Bishop of Crediton in the Diocese of Exeter from 2015-2018. The current Bishop of Crediton, the Rt Rev'd Moira Astin, spoke to BBC Radio Devon about her experience at the historic service. Bishop Moira said, "You could see how moved Archbishop Sarah was by the occasion. What joy she had in taking on what's a really tricky role, but knowing that she's been called by God and by the church for this. We're trusting her, and she's trusting God."

[Click here](#) to listen to the full interview on BBC Radio Devon (around 1 hour 40 mins into the programme).

Your Prayers are asked for...

Those who are suffering including:

Caroline Speed-Andrews; Ann Barnet, Libby Clapham; Andrew Francis; Hazel Gowland; Eileen Jarman; Anne Smith; Clive and Jeanie; Beth; Charlotte, Paul and Grace; Will, Dave and John Sampson.

Those who have died recently:

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer please pray for:

Easter Sunday: Joy as we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ

Please also pray for:

Our church

Our country and its leaders, both political and religious;

Our world, for wisdom for its leaders and a wish for peace not war.

Easter Sunday, 5 April

Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:

grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

1st Reading – Acts 10.34-43

Gentiles Hear the Good News

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Gospel Reading – Matthew 28.1-10

The Resurrection of Jesus

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his

feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Post Communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please tell us
at notices@stdavidschurhexeter.org.uk

Please send notices/content/prayer requests or amendments to Mike
at mike.clark@exeter.anglican.org

(All readings can be found via Bible Gateway <https://www.biblegateway.com>
in the New Revised Standard Version (anglicized edition))