

# Parish News

Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe  
*To know Jesus and to make him known*

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!



## **Verse for the week**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

**John 14: 6a**

## **Thought for the week**

Dear Friends,

This week as we continue to reflect upon Christ's 'I am' readings, we hear one of the most powerful passages from Holy Scripture. Here we discover that Christ is at the heart of our Resurrection Glory. For in him lies the path that leads to enlightenment and joy. A deep and true sense that enriches us as followers of Jesus and brings glory to our Father in heaven. May this reading remind us all that we are a Resurrected People.

With my love as always, Revd Steve x

**Collect;**

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the world  
and the wonder of your risen life:  
give us compassion and courage  
to risk ourselves for those we serve,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

**FIRST READING; Acts 7: 55-end**

But filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL READING; John 14: 1-14**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John

**Glory to you, O Lord**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that

where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**Post communion prayer;**

Eternal God,

whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:

grant us to walk in his way,

to rejoice in his truth,

and to share his risen life;

who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**What's on in our parish?**

**Lunch club:** Would you like company and friendship over lunch? If yes, you would be welcome to come along to the Lunch Club at St John's Church Hall on Wednesdays 11- 1. Two course meal for £4.50. Contact Di on 07901 553674

**Alpha is starting this term at Carisbrooke Church Hall!:** Join us every Wednesday from **1:00–2:30pm**, beginning **29<sup>th</sup> April**, for a relaxed space to explore life, faith, and meaning. Each session includes a **free lunch**, a short **video**, and open conversation where no question is off limits. Everyone is welcome.

**"It's Your Call" Roadshow Saturday 9th May 2:30pm to 4:30pm, Newport Minster:** If you are sensing a call to serve God as a Reader, Pioneer, Youth Minister, Anna Chaplain, Evangelist, Lay Pastoral Assistant, Lay Worship Leader, Lay Preacher, or as an ordained Priest, or even as part of a religious community, then please join us. You will have the opportunity to meet with and chat to some of the Vocations Team.

**Benefice Ascension Communion service:** There will be a joint Holy Communion service for Ascension on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 11am in Newport Minster. All are welcome to attend.

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