

SUNDAY 19th APRIL 2026 (Third Sunday of Easter, Lectionary Year A)

COLLECT

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

PSALM 116:1-7

- 1 I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice
of my supplication; because he inclined
his ear to me on the day I called to him.
- 2 The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of hell took hold of me; by grief
and sorrow was I held.
- 3 Then I called upon the name of the
Lord: 'O Lord, I beg you, deliver my soul.'
- 4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our
God is full of compassion.
- 5 The Lord watches over the simple; I was
brought very low and he saved me.
- 6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the
Lord has been gracious to you.
- 7 For you have delivered my soul from
death, my eyes from tears and my feet
from falling.

ACTS 2:14a, 36-41

(A reading from the Acts of the Apostles)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his
voice and addressed them,
"Therefore let the entire house of Israel
know with certainty that God has made him
both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom
you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut
to the heart and said to Peter and to the
other apostles, "Brothers, what should we
do?" Peter said to them, "Repent and be
baptised every one of you in the name of
Jesus Christ so that your sins may be
forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the
Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for
your children, and for all who are far away,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to
him." And he testified with many other
arguments and exhorted them, saying,
"Save yourselves from this corrupt
generation." So those who welcomed his
message were baptised, and that day about
three thousand persons were added.

GOSPEL: LUKE 24:13-35

*(Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke)*

Now on that same day two of them were
going to a village called Emmaus, about
seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking
with each other about all these things that
had happened. While they were talking and
discussing, Jesus himself came near and
went with them, but their eyes were kept
from recognising him. And he said to them,
"What are you discussing with each other
while you walk along?" They stood still,
looking sad. Then one of them, whose name
was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the
only stranger in Jerusalem who does not
know the things that have taken place there
in these days?" He asked them, "What
things?" They replied, "The things about
Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet
mighty in deed and word before God and all
the people, and how our chief priests and
leaders handed him over to be condemned
to death and crucified him. But we had
hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.
Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third
day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group
astounded us. They were at the tomb early
this morning, and when they did not find
his body there they came back and told us
that they had indeed seen a vision of angels
who said that he was alive. Some of those
who were with us went to the tomb and
found it just as the women had said, but
they did not see him." Then he said to them,
"Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of
heart to believe all that the prophets have
declared! Was it not necessary that the
Messiah should suffer these things and then
enter into his glory?" Then beginning with
Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted
to them the things about himself in all the
scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they
were going, he walked ahead as if he were
going on. But they urged him strongly,
saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost
evening and the day is now nearly over." So
he went in to stay with them. When he was
at the table with them, he took bread,
blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.
Then their eyes were opened, and they
recognised him, and he vanished from their
sight. They said to each other, "Were not
our hearts burning within us while he was
talking to us on the road, while he was
opening the scriptures to us?" That same
hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem,

and they found the eleven and their
companions gathered together. They were
saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he
has appeared to Simon!" Then they told
what had happened on the road and how he
had been made known to them in the
breaking of the bread.

(This is the Gospel of the Lord)

THE 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

NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 19th April 2026

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP for SUNDAY 26th APRIL – Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Boylestone Morning Worship
9.30am Hatton Holy Communion
11.00am Church Broughton Morning Worship
11.00am St Mary, Hilton with Marston on Dove Family Service

READINGS: Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; John 10:1-10

EVENTS AND SERVICES FOR WEEK OF THE 19th APRIL

- Tuesday 10.00am Boylestone Core Team Meeting
- Tuesday 1.15pm: Little Saints, All Saints' Hatton
- Tuesday 5.30pm: Dove Club, All Saints' Hatton
- Wednesday 9.30am: Morning Prayer at All Saints' Hatton
- Wednesday 7.30pm: Evening Bible Study
- Thursday 7.00pm: Boylestone PCC Meeting
- Friday 10.00am – 2.00pm: Hub Community Café, at All Saints' Jubilee Hall, Station Road, Hatton

APPLETREE CHURCHES MORNING PRAYER

Zoom morning prayer will usually be held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 8am. On Wednesdays Morning Prayer will be held at All Saints Church, Hatton at 9.30am. Once a month at 9.30am there will be a service of Holy Communion.

The Zoom link for Morning Prayer can be found in the Teamup entry, or contact Vickie for the link. If you would like help with setting up Zoom for Morning Prayer, please also contact Vickie: vickie@appletrreechurches.org / 07977 067 585.

All are welcome.

ELECTORAL ROLL

It is the time of year for the Church Electoral Roll to be updated.

Being on the Church of England electoral roll allows you to vote on church matters and attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). It is a sign of commitment and is a means for you to help shape the church's future.

Notices will be posted on Church doors, and/or notice boards giving information about this and new application forms will be available in church.

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you'd like to know if you are eligible to join the Church Electoral Roll, please talk to your Electoral Roll Officer, or your Churchwarden.

Electoral Roll officers are:

- Boylestone: Jill Cantrill
Church Broughton: Sue Smith
Hatton: Alison Mottram
Hilton with Marston on Dove: Elaine Root

Churchwardens are:

- Boylestone: Janet Beloe and Pauline Hill
Church Broughton: Rita Shanks
Hatton: Lindsey Ashenden
Hilton with Marston on Dove: Vickie Melling

ARTHUR RANK RURAL MINISTRY AND MINISTRY ROADSHOW

Please see the invitation below to attend the Arthur Rank Centre Roadshow at Bakewell on 9th June 2026 at Bakewell Methodist Church.

Please book using the following link:

<https://arthurrankcentre.org.uk/rural-roadshow-arc-on-the-road/>



To book your place go to www.arthurrankcentre.org.uk/Rural-Roadshow

For more information contact us on info@arthurrankcentre.org.uk

Join us as we celebrate all that is rural. Come along and share a free day of learning, networking and be encouraged within the unique context of your rural mission and ministry.

Open to rural leaders in all denominations.

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BANNS OF MARRIAGE

At Hatton

Laura Susan Wigg-Bailey and Daniel James Crawford both of the Parish of Hatton. Laura and Daniel are to be married at St Michaels Church, Rocester on 23rd May.

At Boylestone

Lucy Alice King and Tyler Jay Thurston both of the Parish of All Saints, Four Oaks /Birmingham. Lucy and Tyler are to be married at St John the Baptist, Boylestone on 30th May.

Please pray for these couples in all their preparation.

PRAYERS FOR WEDDING COUPLES

Please pray for Julian and Dulcie who were married at St Michael's and All Angels, Church Broughton last week.

VISITING PARISHIONERS

Do you know anyone who would like a visit from Rev Ed? If yes, please can you let Rev Ed know. Ed's contact details are at the top of the page.