



Easter Prayer Evening

Join us on **Tuesday, 14th April at 7:00pm**
for the conclusion of the
Women of Holy Week Reflections
and a time of guided prayer.

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FOR OUR PRAYERS 
SICK: Barry Tootill, Joan Joyce,
Hazel Robinson, Harry Mullen,
Brian Schofield, Viv Webb,,
Laura Devall, Nicola Selby; All in nursing
homes, care homes or hospices; We also
pray for anyone who is awaiting test
results.
RIP: Iris Last;
 12th - Susan Johnson, John Hill, Mary Ross;
 13th - Denis Knowles, Hilda Farnworth,
John Smith, Kevin Chappell;
 14th - William Devonport, Florence Coop,
Bernard Reitz;
 15th - Jack Helmer;
 16th - William Bailey, Susan Booth;
 17th - Alan Knuckey;
 18th - George Wood, Joyce Ogden

**APCM - Wednesday, 23rd April 2025
@ 7:30pm**
 This year's APCM will be held in church.
 The process is as follows:
 • Electoral roll closes **5th April. If you have
not already done so please complete an
orange form and hand it to Neville.**
 Notices have now been placed in church,
together with nominee election forms for
elections of Churchwardens, Deanery
Synod and PCC representatives. Anyone
wishing to stand for any of the offices
please complete the relevant form asap
and hand it to **Gillian.**
 For more information re the APCM please
contact **Gillian.** For queries re the electoral
roll please contact **Neville.**

Welcome to
**St Matthew and
 St Luke, Chadderton**
*"Living out our call to share the
 Gospel in Faith, Hope and Love"*
12th April 2026
Second Sunday of Easter
HYMNS
16, 716, 340, 433, 727, 361, 53

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday, 12th	
9:00am	Choral Eucharist
1:00pm	Baptisms of Myla Lillie Barton Sophia Ivy Lis Archie Michael Nolan
Tuesday, 14th	
9:30am	Parent & Toddler
12:30pm	Luncheon Club
2:00pm	Drop In
7:00pm	Easter Prayer Evening
7:30pm	Mothers' Union
Wednesday, 15th	
1:00pm	Funeral of Iris Last
Thursday 16th	
10:00am	Dressmaking
6:00pm	All Age Service
7:15pm	Choir Practice

Iris Last

**Iris's funeral will take place in church on
Wednesday, 15th April at 1:00pm.**

Sanctuary Light Dedication

**This week's Sanctuary Light
has been dedicated
'In Memory of Frank & Frances Barker'**



Lent Food Donations

A big thank you to everyone who has
donated food during Lent for the Food Bank.
The food collection has now finished.

Prayer Tree

Our prayer tree will be placed in church
from **Sunday, 12th April until Pentecost**. If
you would like to make a donation towards
the flower fund and add a prayer to the tree
please write your message on the cards
provided.

First Reading

Acts 2. 14a, 22-32

A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know – this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to

be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." 'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1. 3-9

A Reading from the First Letter from Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel

John 20. 19-end

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

