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## Readings & News: 12th April 2026: Easter 2

### St Mary's Todmorden, St Michael's Cornholme and St Peter's Walsden

#### Exodus 14: 10-end - Moses leads his people out of Egypt through the Red Sea



**Acts 2: 14a, 22-32** <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: <sup>22</sup>'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; <sup>23</sup>this man....you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.... <sup>29</sup>'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. <sup>30</sup>Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn... that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

**John 20: 19-end** <sup>19</sup>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.' <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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.



Thomas meets Jesus and touches the wounds in his hands and side.

**Hymns: 12th April: from Hymns O&N**

**Introit:** The head that was crowned - 644 **Gradual:** This joyful Easter - 680

**Offertory:** Give me joy in my heart - 201 **Communion:** Be Thou my vision - 70

**Communion:** Gather around - 199 **Recessional:** Shine, Jesus, Shine - 419



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**Collect:** Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. **Amen**

**Post Communion:** Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

**Today Rainbow Faith Service - 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 4pm, St Mary's Easter Tide & Poetry**

**COME AND PLAY MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> April @ 12.00** Food & fun @ the Lower Room

**Creative Group @ St Mary's: ALL WELCOME** Next session: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 10.30

Men's fellowship, Weds 15<sup>th</sup> April - Rochdale Town hall & fish & chip lunch Hollingworth lake. Leave Stansfield Road @ 9.30 am: for more info speak to John Brear 07463125625.

**Funerals: Mary Widdup Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 11am at St Mary's, burial Cross Stone**

**Maureen Fielden, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm, at St Joseph's, Burial at St Peter's**

**Margaret Blackburn, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm at St Mary's; wake in Crypt**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 4pm - Hepton Singers Concert** at St Mary's:

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026, 2pm - 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party concert by Three Valleys Gospel**

**Choir** - raising funds for the Foodbank - all the old favourites and some new ones

**Tod Folk Festival - 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026** - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition at St Mary's from 20<sup>th</sup> April to 3<sup>rd</sup> May and Folk Festival Mass plus **concert Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at St Mary's.**

**Volunteers needed** for Exhibition especially Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May & for refreshments on 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Annual Meeting (APCM) 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026** – please sign up for the electoral roll to vote for Deanery Synod reps who will elect GENERAL SYNOD reps. **We will also elect PCC members and Churchwardens. Nomination forms at the back of Church.**

**10<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm - Churches Together for Christian Aid** at Roomfield Baptist Church

**For notices, weddings, funerals, baptisms and volunteering** please contact:

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**We continue to pray for:** Gwen Mills, Jacob Howarth, Roy Yearsley, Viv Hawksworth, Mandy Fielden, Norman Cruikshank, Margaret McArdle; Sarah Battershell, Robert Scholey, Glynys Radzic, Joyce Campion, Trevor Smith, Meg Kennedy, Jeffrey Hunter, Caroline Van den Brut, Jerzy Browne, Jonathan, Nigel Bentley, Rita, Lisa and Michael Kenyon, Helena Cook, Natasha McArdle, Ann Mason, Zoe Beesley, Lorna and Peter Shackleton, Roger & Pat Dale, Maureen Marshall, Val Cottam, Rowena, the Middle East, Ukraine, Somalia, Sudan and the Yemen

**Recently Departed** Pat Wild, Eric Knowles, Brenda Young, Peter Parrish, Edith Thomas, Beatrice Baron, Mary Widdup, Margaret Blackburn, Maureen Fielden, Barry Boon

**In Memory:** David Alexander Wild, Will Shackleton, Horace Fitton, Simon Alistair Brown Jack Overall, Willie Lever, Marion Baldwin, David (Dave) Payne, Ellen Holden, Audrey Halstead, Sarah Ellen White, Emma Dawson, Melvyn Binns, Annice Prendergast, Arthur Daniels, Albert Bartley, Ruth Clegg, Stanley Rawlinson, Ann Lambert, Wilfred Reynolds