



Team Newsletter

4th April 2021 Easter Day

Items in red either include new content or are particularly relevant to this week

Services on Easter Sunday

10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity*

8.45am Holy Communion at St.Elizabeth's*

10.00am Holy Communion at St.Elizabeth's*

10.30am Holy Communion at St.Catherine's*

10.45am Holy Communion at Rivington*

6pm Team Zoom Service (The Zoom code will be emailed to those on our weekly newsletter mailing lists. Or contact [Michael](#) or [Nicola](#) for the Zoom codes.)

Summary of Services

Date	Services in Church: *As numbers are limited in our churches, please book your place in advance.	Services on-line
Maundy Thursday (1 st April)	7.30pm Holy Communion at St Catherine's	YouTube and Facebook reflection 7.30pm Zoom service with Agape Meal
Good Friday (2 nd April)	2.00pm Reflective service at Holy Trinity	YouTube and Facebook reflection 10.00am Zoom reflective service
Easter Eve Saturday 3 rd April		YouTube and Facebook reflection 10.30am Zoom matins service 6.00pm Zoom reflective service
Easter Sunday (4 th April)	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 8.45am Holy Communion at St Elizabeth's 10.00am Holy Communion at St Elizabeth's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Catherine's 10.45am Holy Communion at Rivington	YouTube and Facebook service 'Alive and Free' more contemporary service on YouTube and Facebook 6pm Zoom team service
Wednesday (7 th April)		YouTube and Facebook reflection
Sunday 11th April	10.00am at Holy Trinity 10.00am at St Elizabeth's 10.30am at St Catherine's 10.45am at Rivington	YouTube and Facebook service 11.30am Zoom team service

At a joint PCC of the four churches on Wednesday 31st March it was agreed that each church will be open every Sunday from Easter Sunday. While spaces are still limited, we are asking people to be patient with us and to be considerate when booking in for services.

***How to book for services in Church**

Due to the limitations on numbers we are asking you to book in advance for all services in our church buildings.

For Holy Trinity: please book on [Eventbrite](#) (if stuck [email Marlene Pritchard](mailto:Marlene.Pritchard) or phone Susan Kerr on 01204 692760)

For Rivington please phone 07710 563678 or 07751348344

For St.Elizabeth's please phone 01204 692265 (from the Monday before the Sunday)

For St.Catherine's please phone 07803 093704

Holy week short online services

Do join us on Zoom at 6pm (last one on Saturday 3rd April)

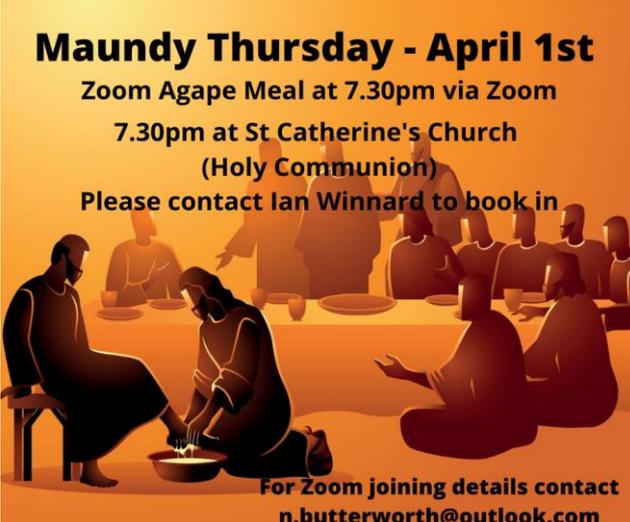


Holy Week
A chance to pause each day at 6pm to reflect during a short Zoom Service
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday



For joining details please contact
n.butterworth@outlook.com

Maundy Thursday 7.30pm



Maundy Thursday - April 1st
Zoom Agape Meal at 7.30pm via Zoom
7.30pm at St Catherine's Church
(Holy Communion)
Please contact Ian Winnard to book in



For Zoom joining details contact
n.butterworth@outlook.com

We are offering a choice of a communion service in St Catherine's or an 'Agape Meal' on Zoom.

What is an Agape Meal?

When Jesus shared Passover with his disciples that night, it was in the traditional home setting of the Passover meal. The washing of feet, the sharing of bread and wine, and the new commandment to love one another all happened in a home, in a room where Jesus drew his friends together as host, teacher, friend, and master who was there to serve them all. In that spirit, Maundy Thursday may be considered, at its heart, a homely affair

The service weaves together parts of the Maundy Thursday liturgy- the washing of hands so all can participate, the institution of the Lord's Supper, and bread and wine within

the frame of the simple, Agape Meal.

The service is held on Zoom on Maundy Thursday at 7.30pm We shall not be having a meal as such, although you can bring your tea along if you wish or the desert. The service will include a blessing over bread and wine so please have ready bread, pitta or rice crackers along with some wine, juice or water. A small dish with water to wash hands is also needed. You can still join in with the service even if you don't have the wine and bread or substitutes. If you have any questions, please contact me. Rev Gill

Good Friday April 2nd

Zoom service at 10am
For joining details contact
n.butterworth@outlook.com

or at Holy Trinity Church
at 2pm
Booking via Eventbrite

Easter Day: April 4th

Booking is essential for services at
Holy Trinity - 10am
St Elizabeth's - 8.45am & 10am
St Catherine's 10.30pm
Rivington 10.45am
Zoom Service - 6.00pm



Alive and Free

Alive + Free Online provides a short contemporary service once a month that gives you time to focus on God. Join us on social media for Music and to continue our theme of looking through the Psalms. **The next 'Alive and Free' will be on Easter Day.** See our Facebook pages.

ALIVE + FREE

Sunday Recorded Service

Each Sunday we are continuing to post a short online Team Service *on our Facebook pages and YouTube channel*

www.youtube.com/channel/UCsZdGhjVJVE3PPjBmxbaGAW

Wednesday Online Reflections

Every Wednesday we will also be posting (on *YouTube* and Facebook) a short video reflection.



Thank you for all your donations to Urban Outreach

Next Donation day Monday 12th April at St. Elizabeth's Church 11am – 1pm

Or donate money to Urban Outreach via their [website](#).

Can you help deliver food parcels from the Humanitarian Food Hub at the old Staples store on Trinity Retail Park to an increasing number of families and people who need food? Couples are wanted with cars and satnavs. Ring Urban Outreach on 01204 385848 or **Email** info@urbanoutreach.co.uk to offer help.

URBAN OUTREACH

Food Donation Day
Monday April 12th 2021
11am - 1pm

St Elizabeth's Church
Cedar Ave, Horwich BL6 6HT

For more information or to drop off at a different time please contact
Rev Nicola Butterworth: 07706979393

Please pray for our link parishes in Namibia:

Please pray for the family of Mr. Jesaja Shigwedha - Chairperson of the School Board at Onangholo School, Okathitu who has died from Coronavirus.

There is concern that virus numbers are on the increase in Namibia and many people have lost their jobs due to the pandemic which is causing severe hardship. The country has only been able to order enough vaccination for 10% of the population. The vaccines should have been received in January but to date they have not yet been received by the country.

Additionally, despite it being the rainy season Okathitu and Ruacana have had little rain and the crops which have been planted have died. Please pray for rain so that there can be a good harvest this year to ease the already difficult situation which the pandemic is causing.

The Horwich and Rivington Namibia committee recently sent a total of £7,200 to pay for 50 meals per child (lasting 10 school weeks) for children in our link schools. Each school meal (a type of porridge) costs about 12p. Further donations are welcome so as to be able to provide further meals. Donations can be made via Holy Trinity Horwich bank account no. 10050551, sort code 16-21-32, with reference NAMIBIA FOOD

Lusia Shipiki (Principal at Tjihozu School) writes (to Caroline Tracey)

Dear meme Caroline

Greetings from everyone from Namibia. We are hoping you are doing well during this difficult time of pandemic. We are well and trying to cope.

This communique serves to officially inform you that the money you sent for instant porridge for our learners has finally been cleared and received with thanks. The amount of N\$85 735. 86 is reflecting on our bank account. The first consignment of porridge for this term is expected to be delivered today at school, we are excited.

We have finally received good rain, though our crops were completely burnt and dead most farmers are now busy replanting seeds. we are hoping it is going to continue raining. Our town is currently overflowing with Angolan nationals who are migrating from their country because of hunger, The situation is very bad, small children and elderly people constitute a big number. We need to pray for them.

Memory and her uncle have recovered, they are both doing well. We thank God for having mercy over them. We will continue praying for you, my friends. Isaiah 41:10 God urge us not fear for He is with us.



Church Electoral Rolls

Each of our four churches is revising their electoral rolls prior to this year's Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs) in April. If you joined the electoral roll when it was renewed in 2019 (or since then) and haven't moved house, you don't need to take any further action.

But if you are not on your church electoral roll but would like to be, or are not sure whether you are on it, or have moved house, please contact [Michael](#) (or [Susan Kerr](#) for Holy Trinity, Sue Dilworth for Rivington, [Jill Harley](#) for St.Elizabeth's, [Kath Jackson](#) for St.Catherines) as soon as possible.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings (on Zoom)

Holy Trinity Church – Monday 12th April 7.30pm

Rivington Church – Monday 19th April 7pm

St.Elizabeth's Church – Monday 19th April 7.30pm

St.Catherine's Church – Wednesday 21st April 7.30pm

Team Rector

The parish representatives have to report that no appointment was made to the post following the interview process on Monday 22 March 2021. Please pray for wisdom for the way ahead.

VaccinAid

The Church of England is supporting the 'VaccinAid' campaign which aims to help fund the biggest vaccination drive in history.

Led by UNICEF UK, with the online fundraising platform Crowdfunder, the campaign offers people a practical way to give thanks for their Covid-19 vaccination, by making a voluntary donation to help pay for jobs for others around the world.

You can make a donation online at [VaccinAid.Org](https://www.vaccinaid.org)



Monday Prayers

We meet over Zoom for a time of prayer on Mondays at 7.30pm. It's a small group who pray for our congregations and further afield. Contact [Rev Gill](#) for Zoom code or more information.

Beer and chat

We normally meet weekly on Wednesdays via zoom as a way to catch up with people. It normally starts at 7.30pm until about 9.30pm but you can drop in and leave when you want. We talk about all sorts of topics. Beer isn't compulsory; tea, juice, wine, gin whatever is your choice. If you would like to join us please email [Gill Smart](#) for the Zoom code. We are a friendly and chatty bunch.



Church Youth

The **CYFA** Youth Group (*Year 9 upwards*) is meeting online using **Zoom** for relaxed, fun, fortnightly meetings on Thursdays. If you're interested in joining these online youth events, then please get in touch with [Gill Smart](#), [Graham Smith](#), or [Kristen Allen](#)

A poster for the 'Deeper' group. It features the text 'The Horwich and Rivington team' and 'the prayer course' on the left. The word 'DEEPER' is written vertically in large, white, serif letters. At the bottom left is the Zoom logo. At the bottom right, it says 'WEDNESDAYS 7:30 - 9:00 PM Once a fortnight starting on 24.02.21'. There are two contact details: 'If you'd like to join us contact: youthminister.kristen@gmail.com' and 'For people aged 14 - 18 who want to go deeper in their relationship with Jesus.'

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Deeper

'Deeper' is a new group for 14 - 18 year olds who want to go deeper in their relationship with Jesus.

We are doing 'The Prayer Course' ran by Pete Greig and 24/7 Prayer.

We meet fortnightly on Zoom, Wednesdays 7:30 - 9:00pm

Message [Kristen Allen](#) for more details

The April edition of 'Below the Pike' magazine is available online.

BELOW THE PIKE

It has been sent out by email to those on our mailing lists and is also available to download from each of our church websites:

[Holy Trinity](#), [St. Catherines](#), [St. Elizabeth's](#), [Rivington](#).

Items, articles etc for May issue can be emailed to mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com

School Admission Policies

Most church school admission policies now include wording similar to:

*In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, **the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for worship.***

Canon Slade School have said:

"We will not be asking churches to record the attendance of children and young people at worship services for the purposes of supporting future applications to Canon Slade School until all churches are fully open."

Each of our four churches will be again keeping a register of attendance for families considering applying to church schools.

If you are not able to attend church because all the places in church have been taken despite your best efforts, the church can still record this (with appropriate evidence) as if you had attended.

If you feel attending church would be too great a risk to your health or the health of another family member, the school admission authorities are being asked to take this into consideration if you give them appropriate evidence (eg a notification from GP, or the NHS or another professional such as a social worker, advising an individual is required to shield). Parents should retain relevant documentation for submission with their school application.

While for reasons of hygiene we can't currently ask you physically to sign in on a register, the warden or welcomer will **at your request** record your attendance on the school admissions register. It is your responsibility to request that this is done. Please note that this register is different from the 'track and trace' records which are destroyed after three weeks.

Please note that joining a Zoom service does not count as attendance at church for school admission purposes.

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.



Youth Ministry Appeal

Details of our Youth Ministry Appeal are being sent out by email with this Newsletter

This Week's Prayer and Readings

Easter Sunday

(Readings from The New International Version)

Collect (This week's prayer)

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 25:6-9 'he will swallow up death for ever'

⁶ On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine – the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death for ever.

The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces;

he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth.

The Lord has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say, 'Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us.

This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.'

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24 'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'

¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever.

² Let Israel say: 'His love endures for ever.'

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my defence; he has become my salvation.

¹⁵ Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

'The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

¹⁶ The Lord's right hand is lifted high; the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

¹⁷ I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

¹⁸ The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death.

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

²² The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

²³ the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

²⁴ The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 'he was raised on the third day'

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

⁹ For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not

without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹ Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Acts 10:34-43 'but God raised him from the dead on the third day'

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: 'I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹ 'We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. ⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

John 20:1-18 Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!'

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped round Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?'

'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' ¹⁴ At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher').

¹⁷ Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.

or Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ²Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, 'Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?'

⁴But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."'

⁸Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

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Prayer List Contacts

Our team churches want to keep our prayer lists up to date & available during this time of crisis, so please send prayer requests (*having checked that those being prayed for are happy to have their names on these lists online, please!*) to:

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