

Readings Sunday April 26th

Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st reading: Genesis 7

2nd reading: Acts 2:42-end

Gospel: John 10:1-10



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APCMs straight after Sunday worship:

St Mary's, Brixham: Sunday 26th April

All Saints', Lower Brixham: Sun 3rd May

St Mary the Virgin, Churston: Sun 10 May

St Thomas, Kingswear: Sunday 24th May

Everyone is invited to vote for your church officers and PCC members.

THE GRAPEVINE

19 April 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First reading: Zephaniah 3:14-end

Second reading: Acts 2:14a,36-41

Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

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 recognizing 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 recognized 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.

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

All Saints' Clarice Westlake, Chris Chinnery, Christine Watt, Anne Vickery
St Mary's, Brixham Gordon Smith, Graham Ward, Helen Kelly and daughter Sarah, Robin Hale, Paul Stamp, Paul Oxenbury, Joshua Jackson, Judy Jolly, Rev'd Ken and Val Dixon, Jean Buttersworth, Joan Christley
St Mary's, Churston Eric Smith, Jo & David Lambert, Vikki Sheen, Derek Brown, Wendy Tonkin, Jamie, Sandra Marley, Phil; Derek Knowles; Geoff Gadsby
St Thomas of Canterbury, Kingswear Marcia and Christine Abdilla, Stela.

SERVICES for this week

Tuesday 21st: All Saints' 10am: Holy Communion

Wednesday 22nd : St Mary's, Brixham 10:30: Holy Communion

SUNDAY 26th APRIL

Fourth Sunday of Easter

All Saints' 9.30 am Holy Communion

St Mary's, Brixham: 8:45am Holy

Communion ; 11am Morning Worship

St Mary's, Churston: 10am Family Worship

St Thomas of Canterbury, Kingswear:

10:30 Holy Communion

The Barn Chapel: 8.45 Holy Communion

