

BENEFICE OF STONELEIGH WITH ASHOW

# PEWS NEWS

31ST MARCH 2024

EASTER SUNDAY



**Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A very special welcome to you all on this Easter Day. Reverend Petrica and the PCC of Stoneleigh and Ashow churches send you every blessing this Easter Tide.

## Collect

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. AMEN

## Post Communion Prayer

God of Life,  
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the  
death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the  
power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen  
life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

## MISSION STATEMENT

- Worshipping God
- Growing in Faith
- Supporting Communities

## WEEKLY DIARY

**Please note there will no prayer groups meeting this week**

### Stoneleigh Church

Celtic Prayer Group every Thursday 9.30 am to 10.00am.

### Ashow Church

Prayer Group every Wednesday 9.30 to 10.00am at Ashow Church.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Film Night** Friday 12th April. Stoneleigh Village Hall

### **Ashow APCM**

Wednesday 24th April in the Village Club 7.00pm

### **Stoneleigh APCM**

Sunday 28th April after the 11.00am service

**“Seasons” Concert –**  
11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7.00 pm  
Stoneleigh Church

## This Weeks Readings

### Acts 10 v 34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Please do speak to Rev Petrica or email Jackie in the office if you would like to help with welcoming, making coffee, reading bible passages, helping with vision or helping prepare Communion. Training will be given on these important ministries. Thank you

### **Easter Egg Hunt at Ashow and Stoneleigh Churches**

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt in the Churchyard of Ashow Church at 9.00 am, Sunday 31st March.

The Easter Service starts at 9.30 am

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt in Stoneleigh Churchyard after the 11.00 am Easter Service

### **Junior Church School**

Sunday 14th April 11.00 am at Stoneleigh **Post Easter Fun and Activities**

Sunday 12th May at Stoneleigh **The 🔥 of Pentecost**

**JUNIOR CHURCH IS ALL ABOUT LEARNING TOGETHER THROUGH FUN,  
ACTIVITIES AND CRAFTS! EVERYONE IS WELCOME**



### **Coffee Morning**



The next coffee morning at Stoneleigh Village Club will take place on Thursday April 11th and 25th from 10.00 am to 11.30 am.

Come along, enjoy a hot drink and catch up with friends. Everyone is welcome! £1 donation.

### **Safeguarding information and Training**

The Safeguarding Officer for Stoneleigh and Ashow Churches is Dr. Elizabeth Penlington tel: 02476 419707 email: elizabethpenlington@talktalk.net. For a DBS application, training or safeguarding issues, please do contact Elizabeth. Thank you.

## Mark 16 v 1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### Stoneleigh Churchyard Grass Cutting Team.

Many people regularly comment on the lovely churchyard at Stoneleigh, how it is a place of tranquillity and calm, and how well maintained it is.

We have a small dedicated team of mowers and people who tidy up, but inevitably we are all getting older.

There are vacancies for anybody who would like to join our team. Initially there will be some induction. You can choose to be a regular grass mower or you can start as a holiday cover mower. Whichever role it is, you would be gratefully received.

For myself I find that this fits in with the other commitments I might have and so it is flexible, and I value the chance to do something relatively simple which brings joy to others as well as provides some good exercise!

If you are interested please have a word with me, one of the other mowers or one of the churchwardens or in the Parish office. Martin Smith 07958 955629.



### “Seasons concert”

An uplifting evening of poems, prose and piano, celebrating our countryside through out the year.

With international pianist Mikael Peterson and Sheila Woolf.

Stoneleigh Church, Saturday 11th May at 7.00 pm. Tickets £12.50

To include refreshments, available from  
Jackie Cubitt, stoneleighchurch@hotmail.com  
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### NEXT SERVICE - 7TH APRIL

11.00 am United Holy Communion at  
Stoneleigh

### READINGS

**Acts 4 v 32-35**

**John 20 v 19 to end**

1 John 1 v 1-22 (Ashow only)

## Services at Stoneleigh and Ashow Church

<b>Sunday 31st March</b>	<b>Easter Day 9.30 am Holy Communion Service at Ashow</b> <b>11.00 am Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh</b>
<b>Sunday 7th April</b>	<b>11.00 am United Holy Communion Service at Stoneleigh</b>
<b>Sunday 14th April</b>	<b>9.30 am Holy Communion Service at Ashow</b> <b>11.00 am Morning Praise Service at Stoneleigh</b>
<b>Sunday 21st April</b>	<b>9.30 am Celtic Service at Ashow</b> <b>11.00 am Celtic Holy Communion at Stoneleigh</b>



### Film Night showing:- A Haunting in Venice

Friday 12th April 2024 in Stoneleigh Village Hall. Meet 6.45pm for a 7.00 pm showing. Please can you bring a cup and plate. Coffee, tea and pastries will be served in the interval. Entry price £4.00, to cover refreshments and room hire. To reserve a place and a pastry call Jane on 01926 858315 by Wednesday 10th April.

### Prayer Focus

We continue to pray for Reverend Petrica and his wife Mirela. We lift up to you Reverend Robert, Audrey our Lay Reader, the Church Wardens and PCC's as they serve our Lord here in Stoneleigh and Ashow.

We pray for those we know and love who are poorly at this time and those who care for them.

We lift to you Lord, those who have lost loved ones, comfort them in their grief and surround them with your love.



## **CONTACT DETAILS**

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