

# **NEWCHURCH PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

Second Sunday of Easter

**Joint Service of all Three Parishes**

**Christ Church, Croft**

**Holy Communion at 10.30am**

**Services this week**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April in the Parish Hall**

**Holy Communion at 10.00am**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**3rd Sunday of Easter**

**Holy Communion at 10.30am**

**Please pray for:**

**The Sick:**

Harry Morris, James Shillito, Nora Cooper, Dorothy Morris, Hazel Paige, Karen Hill, Margaret Watson, George Walsh, Denise Orrell, Susan Griffin, Emily Low, Algy Low, Chris Low, Janet Richardson, Stephen Chisnall, Lynne Baxter, Victoria McGuire, Sandra Smith, Kenneth Hodges, Peter Bowles.

**Recently Departed**

John Paice, Victor Howarth, Jean Margaret Pizzey, Isabella Harrison, Laura Hamilton, Frank Hampson.

**Interment of Ashes**

**Anniversaries**

Margaret Pinder, Nellie Gerrard, Elizabeth Oddie, John Entwistle, Richard A Furness, Margaret Platt, Philip Houseman, John David Fearn, Malcolm J.V. Chown, Alice Jones, James Keith Blundell, Jan Mosert Kitshoff.

**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.**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**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.**

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# Hymns #

**NO HYMNS TODAY** - joint service at Croft

**The next Morning Prayers will be**

**Wednesday** 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026 @ 9.00am, Christ Church, Croft.

**Thursday** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026 @ 9.00am, St Oswald, Winwick  
*followed by Coffee Morning at 10.00am*

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**Rev Trev will be leading his Deep Divers' Group** in the Parish Hall at Christ Church, Croft  
on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026** at 1.30pm,  
when the group will be looking at '**Emmaus Journey**'

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**Rev Trev will be leading his CULCHETH Explorers' Group** in the Family Room at  
Newchurch, Culcheth, from 1.30pm – 2.30pm.

**The next will be on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026 and the topic will be:**  
**Tyndale & MI5 and book burning**

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**Café Praise and Worship.**

A monthly gathering in a casual style, with a live band, prayers and praise.  
The doors of the Parish Hall open at 6.15pm. with worship starting at 6.30pm.

*Future services will be:*

**NO** service on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

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A reminder about the **Lord's Prayer 'Prayer Board'** in our Family Room, where you can  
place prayers of thanksgiving or prayers of intercession for the world, for our community, for  
those in need and for ourselves.

3D printed versions of the Lord's Prayer are available in the Family Room. Donation please  
of £5 for church funds.

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**A Bereavement Group every first Thursday at Culcheth Library 2p.m -4p.m**

Tea, coffee and biscuits and chat for all who are bereaved or lonely. For further information  
contact:

culchethbereavedchatgroup@gmail.com

Please also see the poster in the porch.



## **Acts 2:14 & 22-32**

### **Peter Addresses the Crowd**

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

<sup>22</sup> ‘You that are Israelites,<sup>[a]</sup> listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth,<sup>[b]</sup> 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, 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. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him up, having freed him from death,<sup>[c]</sup> because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup> 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;

<sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.

<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

<sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

<sup>29</sup> ‘Fellow Israelites,<sup>[d]</sup> 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 with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Foreseeing this, David<sup>[e]</sup> spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah,<sup>[f]</sup> 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**

### **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

<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.’

## **Jesus and Thomas**

<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.'

<sup>26</sup> 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.' <sup>27</sup>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.' <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup>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.'

## **The Purpose of This Book**

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>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.

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Please send notices for the weekly sheet to me, Hilary Morgan, using the following contact details, by Thursday lunchtime. Later than that might mean it cannot be included until the following week.

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If any church organisations would like to add or update their information on the church website, please contact Alan Gray using the following contact details:  
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The church website can be found by entering the following in your browser:  
<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/15315>

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