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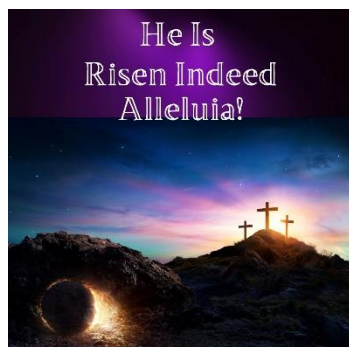
**The Church of St James the Great
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**Services for Sunday 31st March 2024
Easter Day**



St James

8am

Said Holy Communion
Canon Richard Morgan

10am

Parish Holy Communion
Canon Richard Morgan

6.30pm

Choral Evensong
Revd David Vonberg

St Giles

10am

Parish Holy Communion
Revd Jane Wood

Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

Amen

First Reading: Acts 10: 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.'

Easter Anthem (To be used in St James)

- 1 Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:
therefore let us keep the feast,
- 2 Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice
and wickedness:
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- 3 Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more:
death hath no more dominion over him.
- 4 For in that he died, he died unto sin once
but in that he liveth he liveth unto God.
- 5 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed
unto sin: but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our
Lord.
- 6 Christ is risen from the dead:
and become the first fruits of them that slept.
- 7 For since by man came death:
by man came also the resurrection of the dead;
- 8 For as in Adam all die:
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning is now

and ever shall be

World without end. Amen.

Psalm 118: 14-24

The LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.
There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the
righteous: 'The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted;
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.'
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD.
The LORD has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.
This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you - unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he

was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Holy Gospel: John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

Service Sheet for Worship at Home

If you are unable to join the Sunday services, please do make use of the reflective service for use at home alongside the prayers and readings for the day which can be found on this pew sheet. If you would like a copy please contact the office ewelmeeparishoffice@gmail.com

Live stream this week will be from St James and then 21st April from St Giles.

Thank you to the team in St Giles who made their Experience a success.

Thank you to Anne Shipton, Edwina Walton and team who made Experience Easter a great success in Dursley.

Thanks also go to everyone who helped, sang, or performed at the end of term service for Dursley Academy.

Pastoral Care

Please let Chris Raffle (01453 545684 or 07517 380772), or Revd Jane Wood (07983 623525) know of those who need to be contacted or are in hospital and we will get in touch. Moya Wallis (01453 861675) and Pat Jones (860696) are happy to be contacted for Uley, Owlpen and Nympsfield.

You can also contact Clare in The Parish office- ewelmebenefice@gmail.com 01453 549280

This Week

Mon 1st April

Bank Holiday - Office closed

Tues 2nd April

2.50-3.40pm Bell Ringing course at St James

4pm Wedding rehearsal at Holy Cross

Weds 3rd April

1.30pm Wedding of Christopher Dickson & Lauren Hall at Holy Cross

Thurs 4th April

9am Morning Prayer in St James

10am Communion at St James

Fri 5th April

4pm Wedding rehearsal at Holy Cross

Sat 6th April

1.30pm Wedding of Benjamin Locke & Catrin Fear at Holy Cross

Services for 7th April 2024 2nd Sunday of Easter

St James

10am Parish Holy Communion

St Bartholomew's

10am Service of the Word

St Giles

6pm Evening@St Giles, Informal Worship

Electoral Roll review

For Uley, Owlpen & Nympsfield the electoral roll will be open for revision between 26th March and 16th April. Please contact Pauline, Electoral Roll Officer, pbt25@outlook.com or a Churchwarden.

In Dursley the electoral roll will be open for revision and amendment between 31st March and 21st April. Any changes you wish to make to the Electoral Roll eg. Additions, deletions, changes of name or address etc. must be notified at that time. If you have any queries please see Chris Raffle or Clare White.

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Morning and Evening Prayer in April

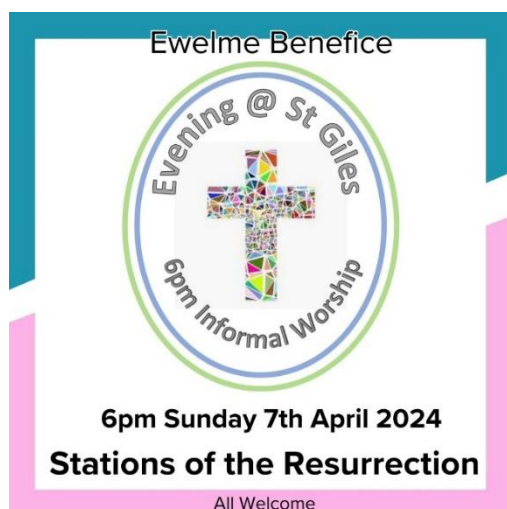
Morning Prayer Wednesday via Zoom at 9am (not 3rd April) and in person at 9am on Thursdays in St James

Evening Prayer Not on 3rd April, we will return on Wednesday 10th via Zoom at 6pm.

The link can be found by going into our website- www.ewelmebenefice.co.uk

Zoom Meeting ID: 893 3298 0143 Passcode: 899154

The office will be closed on Easter Monday.
Rev'd Jane Wood will be off duty from 1st - 8th April




Easter Greetings

We are thinking of all you in the Ewelme Benefice at this joyful time of year and send our love, prayers and very best wishes for Easter.
Canon Michael and Gill Cozens.

Quiz Night

In aid of



Providing a loving home for abandoned babies in Maseno, Kenya

13th April, 7pm
St James Parish Centre, Dursley
Teams of up to 6
Tickets- £10
to book or join a team contact
chrismorgan194@btinternet.com
Includes Ploughman's supper, please bring your own drinks.



The Friends of Uley Church

Get together on Saturday
20th April from 10.30am

We will be meeting in St Giles, Church for tea, coffee & cake.



to decide what the Friends of Uley church will do

Come and see how you can join in and help.

All ages are welcome.