

## THIS SUNDAY 28 APRIL

### The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40; John 15:1-8

#### 8AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

#### 10AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST CHRISTOPHER'S & LIVESTREAM

Readings: Wendy Neate

Intercessions: Richard Reincke

#### 6PM EVENSONG

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Isaiah 60:1-14; Revelation 3:1-13

Readings: Hamish & Linda Donaldson



## NEXT SUNDAY 5 MAY

### The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:44-48; John 15:9-17

#### 8AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST CHRISTOPHER'S

#### 10AM HOLY COMMUNION

#### SUNDAY MORNING FAMILIES

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S & LIVESTREAM

Readings: The Den & Summit

Intercessions: The Den & Summit

## WEEK COMMENCING 28 APRIL

### 9am Morning Prayer:

Monday | St Bartholomew's

Tuesday | St Christopher's

Wednesday | All Saints

Thursday | St Christopher's



If you would like to add to today's collection, please tap the card reader or leave cash by the front door on your way out. To set up regular giving using the Parish Giving Scheme, or to make a one off donation, please click on the QR code or visit:

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## PARISH INFORMATION

St Bartholomew's Church is open from 9am to 5pm, Monday - Saturday

St Christopher's Church is open from 10am to 4pm, Tuesday - Friday

Livestreamed services: Link to view and orders of service on the website. [Church at Home](#)

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\*Office hours are subject to change, visit [www.haslemereparish.org/getintouch](http://www.haslemereparish.org/getintouch) for up to date hours

**Pastoral Visitors for April:** Frankie Gaiter, Dorothea Nattrass and Ruth Pattenden

To request a visit or for any Pastoral matter please contact Rev Chris, Rev Justin or the Parish Office

### Further information:

Please continue to check the website for updated information; [www.haslemereparish.org](http://www.haslemereparish.org)

To receive this news sheet by email contact [office@haslemereparish.org](mailto:office@haslemereparish.org)

### Accessibility:

Both churches have hearing loops. Please switch hearing aids to T-coil.

Both churches have step free access and a wheelchair is available on request.

Large print service orders and hymn books are available—ask a sides person.



## Collect

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the  
world  
and the wonder of your risen life:  
give us compassion and courage  
to risk ourselves for those we serve,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## Acts 8:26-40;

<sup>26</sup> Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) <sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' <sup>31</sup> He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.  
<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth.'

<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' <sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the

eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' <sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

## John 15:1-8

**15** 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. <sup>2</sup> He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

## Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth,  
and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## PARISH PRAYERS FOR W/C SUNDAY 28TH APRIL

### A Thought for Sunday: Acts 8:26-40

*An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south from Jerusalem to Gaza." On his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the queen Kandake. He had gone to Jerusalem to worship, and on his way home was sitting reading the Book of Isaiah. The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."*

Some questions to consider this week:

- If your life is a journey, can you recall times when you felt God alongside you?
- Have you felt a moment when God called you to help someone, which then made a real difference to their life?

### For our Local Ministry Work and Schools

- Lord of all the world, whose Holy Spirit is present in all places, help us here in Haslemere to be open to your work of calling anyone and everyone to your service.
- We pray for our Annual General Meeting this coming Monday, where we shall have that blessed moment of thanksgiving for the care of all those who volunteer to serve in our churches..
- We pray for the Summit youth group, who will be leading our worship next week. May they be creative and excited to do so.
- As schools return for the summer, we pray for all those facing exams, both teachers and pupils. We also pray for those facing university exams and all those taking professional qualifications.
- We pray with humble yet joyful thanksgiving for the great gift of funding we have received for the Link Community Funding project. As work goes ahead to plan for local fundraising, we ask that God will continue to be with us.

Those Sick and Suffering: Liz Hawkins and Jenny Hitchcock

Rest In Peace: Marion Lillywhite

### Upcoming Life Events:

Tuesday 30th April	Guildford Crem	12pm	Funeral of Marion Lillywhite
Sunday 5th May	St Bartholomew's	12pm	Baptism of Edith Roseman
Sunday 5th May	St Bartholomew's	1pm	Baptism of Celeste Allison
Saturday 18th May	St Bartholomew's	12pm	Wedding of Simon Umlandt & Emma Baker
Saturday 25th May	St Christopher's	1pm	Wedding of Christopher Brophy & Lucy Constable
Saturday 1st June	St Bartholomew's	1.30pm	Wedding of Robert Gardener & Julia Rake

## PARISH NOTICES

**Link Community Hub** - We are delighted to be able to announce that our application to Your Fund Surrey was approved in full by Surrey County Council's Cabinet.

This gives us the confidence that the project will continue to move forward. Will be giving a full update at the APCM on Monday. **Andrew, Cathy and Debbie**

### **Haslemere Bowls club, 28th April, 2pm– 5.45pm**

Due to a poor weather forecast, a final decision whether to postpone the event will be taken on Sunday morning and announced at the 10.00am service. For those unable to be at the service, please call Justin after 11.00am 07798 932843

### **Crossways Counselling– Volunteer Stewards needed**

Crossways Counselling service is very short of volunteers to act as stewards on Monday (5.30– 8.30pm) and Wednesday (4.30– 7.30pm) evenings as well as Wednesday mornings (9am– 12) This would be a once a month commitment currently based at 3 Counties Church, Hammer. If you are able to help, please contact Jenny Noble at jennynobleuk@aol.com

### **Space required for a small start-up business**

Do you have (or know of) some space available to help a small start-up business? The space is required mainly as an art studio for one person. This would be to help a member of the congregation who is returning to work. Some payment is available. Contact Rev Chris.

### **A Journey from Brokenness to restoration, 4– 19th May**

An exhibition of exquisite embroideries by Romola Parish. Open daily 9am– 5pm Mon– Sat and 1pm– 5pm Sun. St Albans church, Tilford Road, Hindhead, GU26 6RB. Free admission.

### **The Hunter Centre Dementia Week, 13th –19th May**

The Hunter Centre have several events during dementia week including:

13th May, 10am– 4.30pm, Haslemere High St car park- Dementia bus simulator of what a person with dementia may experience

14th May, 12.30-3.30pm, Marjorie Gray Hall- a carers information day

15th May, 7pm, Marjorie Gray Hall- and an open evening with a brief update from the Chairman and guest speaker from the Stroke Association.

### **Haslemere Town Band, 18th May, 7pm at St Christopher's Church**

Come and enjoy an evening of brass band music with Haslemere Town Band and meet their Guests (including the Parish Junior Choir) on Saturday 18 May 7pm at St Christoher's Church, Haslemere. Tickets £10 at the door/ children free. <http://www.haslemeretownband.co.uk>

### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Monday 29th April, 7pm at St Bartholomew's**

Please join us for the APCM at St Bartholomew's . Anyone in the Parish may attend the meeting and booking is not required. The APCM report is now available online, please click [here](#) to view it. Please do take some time to review ahead of the meeting. To save on printing, there will be a limited number of hard copies available at the meeting.

### **Pop-In Coffee Morning and Hearing Champions**

Our regular Pop-In Coffee Morning reaches out to those who would like a bit of company and a chat. We meet on each 2nd and 4th Thursdays, in the Link at 10am. Our clergy, Chris and Justin are usually always around to meet you, so please do come to join us. Also if you have a hearing aid, you can have it cleaned and serviced by our Hearing Champions service, with new batteries at the same time!