

THIS SUNDAY 26 APRIL

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47; John 10:1-10

Hymn Numbers: 664, 800, 806, 669

8AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

10AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST CHRISTOPHER'S & LIVESTREAM

Readings: Rita Bicknell

Intercessions: Peter Gratton

6PM EVENSONG

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Ezra 3:1-13; Ephesians 2:11-22

Readings: Hamish & Linda Donaldson

NEXT SUNDAY 3 MAY

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; John 14:1-14

Hymn Numbers:

8AM HOLY COMMUNION

ST CHRISTOPHER'S

10AM HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY MORNING FAMILIES

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S & LIVESTREAM

Readings: David Sewell

Intercessions: Bryony Atkinson

WEEK COMMENCING 19 APRIL

9am Morning Prayer:

Monday | St Bartholomew's

Wednesday | All Saints

There is no Mid Week Communion



To set up regular giving to the Parish or to make a one off donation, please click on the above QR code or visit: www.haslemereparish.org/donate

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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(open: 9am-3pm Mon/Tues/Thurs, 1-3pm Fri)*

**Office hours are subject to change, visit www.haslemereparish.org/getintouch for up to date hours*

Pastoral Visitors for April: Sarah Mulliner, Jenny Simmonds and Sue Stathers

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

To receive this news sheet by email contact 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,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered
into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Acts 2:42-47;

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Ascension Day

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John 10:1-10

10 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ² The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' ⁶ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷ So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ
to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us
to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PARISH PRAYERS FOR W/C SUNDAY 26TH APRIL

A Thought for Sunday: John 10:1-10

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There is nothing to be found in Jesus about staying indoors. What I read here is not security, it's assurance of Christ's presence on the outside, with us. Do you receive here in church on Sundays, something which somehow remains with you for the rest of the week, as you go outside? I hope so – think about the importance of the door again. That surely must be something like the point of what we do here. This idea of the gate and the door, prompts us to think carefully about ourselves. Are we a welcoming church? Are we an inviting church? Are we a joinable church? Do we share? Can we claim to be a church for all people in a diverse way? Do we understand and speak the common language of society?

For our Local Ministry Work and Schools

- Lord we give thanks for the peace and security we have to be the Parish of Haslemere. May we always be ready to receive and welcome all people.
- We pray for a final end to the war in Iran and across the Middle East, but Lord we pray for justice as well as peace.
- We pray for the whole body of Christ that makes up our serving churches. As we gather for our annual meeting on Monday, may we be thankful of all we share.
- We pray for our ministry of baptism, which is a place for new lives to begin with Christ.
- We pray for the Link Community Hub Project, which is approaching the final building phase. As the work continues, may all of our ministry and transition work go well and smoothly.

Those unwell or in need of prayer:

Rest In Peace: Mavis Edge and Orla Wates

Upcoming Life Events:

Sunday 3rd May	St Christopher's	12.30pm	Baptism of Amber Watson
Sunday 10th May	St Bartholomew's	12.30pm	Baptism of Ava Gibbs
Saturday 16th May	St Bartholomew's	11am	Baptism of Baybe Wilson
Saturday 16th May	St Christopher's	1pm	Wedding of Robert Johnson & Khloe Bremner
Sunday 17th May	St Christopher's	12pm	Baptism of Otilie Cox

PARISH NOTICES

Electoral Roll Revision 2026. Electoral Roll– now closed! The Electoral Roll is now closed. It is available to view online [here](#) or by visiting www.haslemereparish.org/ER The Electoral Roll will remain closed until after the APCM on 27th April.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Monday 27th 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 on our website at www.haslemereparish.org/APCM Please do take some time to review ahead of the meeting. There will only be a limited number of hard copies available at the meeting.

Churchyard Working Party at St Bartholomew's - Saturday 25 April from 9.30 to 12.00.

This is perhaps a little later in the season than usual, but hopefully some useful tasks can be carried out. Depending on the numbers who attend, it is hoped that work can straddle both the main and Derby Road churchyards. The latter received more attention last year and this has paid off. Please bring your own tools such as secateurs, loppers, shears, grass rakes, etc. Please feel free to undertake those tasks where you feel most comfortable – it is supposed to be an enjoyable morning! Further details from Philip Hunt (644120).

St Christophers private prayer. Please note that St Christopher's will be closed on Wednesdays and Thursdays until the end of May.

Crossways Counselling Service is looking for a secretary to the trustees for Crossways Counselling Service following the retirement of the present volunteer. This involves arranging and attending 4 meetings per year including an AGM, sending out agendas and writing up minutes in consultation with the chair as well as booking the venue. Please contact the chair of Trustees Simon Dunbar - simonjdunbar@gmail.com if you are able to help support this important outreach in our local community. For more information about us please see www.crosswayscounselling.org.uk

Carpenters Men's Breakfast– Saturday 2nd May, 9am at St Christopher's

No ticket required, just turn up for 9am with a suggested donation of £5 to cover costs.

Haslemere Bowls club– Saturday 2nd May, 2-4pm. We would like to invite members of the parish to an informal afternoon of bowls. Please wear suitable , flat bottomed shoes such as trainers. If you are interested, please let Rev Justin or Don Stacey know so we have an idea of numbers.

Solo's Lunch club– Sunday 3rd May 12.30pm, The Coppa Club. If anyone wishes to come along, please contact Vera Ruane. (07940) 812767. vera@ruane.plus.com

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Leavers Bibles. As in previous years, the parish will be making a gift of a youth bible to all year 6 leavers at St Bartholomew's Primary School, to be presented to them at their end of year service in the church. If you would like to make a donation to the bible fund, you can do so by giving cash to the parish office or via the [Donate](#) button on our website and selecting "Bible Fund" Each bible costs £13.99 but any donation is gratefully received.

Pop-In Coffee Morning and Hearing Champions– next clinic 14th May in St Bartholomew's Church– please bring your own mug! 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 St Bartholomew's Church at 10am. 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!