

How to Contact the Rector

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David's usual day off is Friday.

Note : Rev'd David is on holiday from Saturday 18th to Friday 24th April

Notice Sheet Content Contact

The 4 Churches Office is situated in the Dorothy Pluck room in St Mary's Fowlmere. It is open from 9am to noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays, where you will find Laura Tudor, our administrator. She can be contacted by email office@thefourchurchbenefice.org or by telephone 07354 998440. Items for next weeks' Notice Sheet MUST be with Laura in the Church Office ready for 9am on Thursday morning as it will be printed by 12 noon on Thursday. If you would prefer to receive the Notice Sheet electronically, please email the rector. His contact details are above.



Concert

An afternoon of opera and song. Join Iona Woods (Mezzo-soprano) and Sooyeon Baik (Piano) for an afternoon of Spanish songs, English sea music and classical songs. With hits from Handel, Bizet, Smythe, Dvorak, Mozart and others

26th April, 5pm at St. George's Church, Thriplow.

Please confirm attendance before the event at Thriplow Village shop or contact Liz Moore at Elizabeth.williams3579@gmail.com or tel/text 07423 418885. There will be a retiring collection for St George's Church Funds.

Thy Kingdom Come

10 days of prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost. Please keep as much time free as you can between 14th and 24th May. More details to follow.

The 4 Churches are St Mary's Fowlmere, St Laurence's Foxton, All Saints' Shepreth and St George's Thriplow
www.thefourchurchbenefice.org



Notice Sheet for Sunday 19th April, 3rd Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion at All Saints' Shepreth

This service is being livestreamed and can be accessed at www.twitch.tv/fourchurchbenefice. The recording will be available straight away on the same site and will later be also made available on our YouTube channel. If you have any concerns about being included in the recording, please speak to the rector or the church warden.

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

¹⁴ 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. ³⁶ Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' ³⁸ Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Luke 24:13-38

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' ¹⁹ He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one

to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' ²⁵ Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Collect

Risen Christ,
 you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
 strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
 and fill us with your peace,
 to the glory of God the Father
 Amen

Week commencing 20th April

Tuesday	9.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom (Link on the 4 Church website)
	10.00am - 11.30am	Church Café at St Mary's Fowlmere
Sunday	10.15am	Communion with Children's Church and Toddler Toys at All Saints' Shepreth
	5.00pm	Concert at St George's Thriplow

Prayers for the Bereaved

Please pray for the families and friends of Maura Garscadden, Janet Melesi, Faith Raven and Anne Sidebottom

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for Christine Gadd, Jose Taylor and John de Jong (Esther Paterson's Dad).

Rev Angela Melaniphy's Mother

As most of you will know, when Angela retired from the 4 Churches she moved to live with her mother so she could care for her. Sadly, in February, Angela's mother died, and this hit Angela very hard. The funeral was last week, and she asked me not to share this news until after the funeral, but now she has asked me to let you all know. I'm sure she would appreciate your prayers and any good wishes you wish to send to her. Rev David

Live Streaming

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the setting up of our live streaming. We are building a team who are learning how to manage the technology, especially as each church has a slightly different set-up. Please bear with us as we tackle issues, particularly with the internet reception. If it drops out, we will return as quickly as possible, so stay connected. The other week, for example, during the sermon David was blurred, and the camera was focused on the cross behind him! It would be great to hear from those who are using the service. We are getting around 7 people watching live, and many more viewing the recordings. If you experience difficulty connecting, please let us know. I'm still selling secondhand books to raise funds for equipment. Please call me on 07792 053497 if you have any books to donate. Jane Atkinson

Christian Aid Week 10 - 16th May 2026

Just seven days to make a difference in the lives of some of the world's poorest, most vulnerable people. Will you help sow seeds of HOPE and CHANGE? Barbara Coates



Electoral Roles Revision

We are in the process of revising our electoral roles prior to the APCM which is on 10 May after the morning service at Fowlmere. If you would like to join one of our electoral rolls then please contact Fowlmere: Sarah Burge - sarah.w.burge@gmail.com Foxton: Me (temporarily) - revdavid@thefourchurchbenefice.org Shepreth - Malcolm Price - malcolmprice6@gmail.com Thriplow - Erica Weber - erica@cambridge-direction.com The new rolls will be published two weeks before the APCM.