



Sunday 7th April

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish Eucharist

10.15am

President

Fr Roger Stokes,
Honorary Assistant Priest

Preacher

Tom Otley, Reader

11.45am

Serbian Orthodox Service

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Weds 10 Apr	12 noon Eucharist
Fri 12 Apr	9.30am Eucharist
Sat 13 Apr	9.30am Eucharist

A very warm welcome to all visitors and newcomers. Please make yourselves known to the clergy and sidespeople on duty. To receive our weekly email newsletter, please sign up using the online subscription link on the homepage of the church website: www.stpaulschurchbedford.org.uk

Offerings will be received in the plate during services. Contactless giving may be made at the back of church.

**To use our loop system,
set hearing aids to 'T'**



Weekly notices

Holy Communion is given by intinction by the Priest into the *palm* of the hand of each communicant only, who should remain standing.

Tuesday Recital at 1.00pm Our Summer Term begins on 9th April, when we welcome Jane Wilkinson, (Soprano) and Helen Yorke, (piano). Recitals are free with a suggested collection of £5. Proceeds, after recitalist expenses, in aid of the church. Please take a term card from the back of church and check our social media pages for weekly programme details. **ALL WELCOME.**

Wednesday Coffee Morning 11.00am before the Eucharist. All Welcome!

Fellowship Lunch Wednesday 10th April 12.45pm Sign up at the back of church. £7.50 payable in cash on the day.

Saturday 13th April 12noon Organ Recital by Miriam Reveley from Jesus College, Cambridge. This recital is free with a retiring collection, suggested £5.

Christian Aid boxes Please return yours to church from the Easter weekend.

Parking Permits are available to collect from the church office. Please park on church business only.

Sunday 28th April St Paul's APCM will take place after our 10.15am Eucharist. All papers will be made available beforehand. Any other urgent items or matters of parochial or general Church interest, should be framed as a question and received in written form by the Chair, (Vicar), not less than **48 hours** in advance of the meeting.

Collect for the Day

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings for THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

New Testament

Acts 4: 32-35

4:32 Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common.

4:33 With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. 4:34 There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold.

4:35 They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.



Gospel

John 20: 19-end

20:19 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." 20:20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the Disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

20:21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 20:22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 20:23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

20:24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 20:25 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."

20:26 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." 20:27 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." 20:28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 20:29 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."

20:30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not

written in this book. 20:31 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.

**"Peace be with you.
As the Father
has sent me,
so I send you."**

John 20:21



Our thanks to Canon Kevin Goss, our vicar, for playing at our Sunday Eucharist.

Processional Hymn
Gradual Hymn
Offertory Hymn
Communion Hymn
Recessional Hymn

CP 159 The strife is oe'r, the battle done
CP 145 Good Christian men
CP 141 Christ the Lord is risen again
CP 150 Love's Redeeming work is done
CP 160 Thine be the glory

*t. Victory
Gelobt sei Gott
Wurttemberg
Savannah
Maccabaeus*

Weekly Prayers for the Parish

- 7 Costin Street, Poulter Close and Sovereign Quay
- 8 Prebend Street, Gibbons Road and Heron Quay
- 9 Grafton Road, Rutland Road and Crown Quay
- 10 Greyfriars, Beckett Street, Roise St and Hassett Street
- 11 All Hallows, Brace Street and Gwyn Street
- 12 Greenhill Street, Thurlow Street and Saffron Street
- 13 Harpur Street, St Loyes Street and Dane Street



NEXT SUNDAY 14th April
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism
10.15am

President

Fr Anthony Davis, Assistant Curate

Preacher

Fr Roger Stokes,
Honorary Assistant Priest

For your prayers

Daily: Elizabeth-Ann
Joseph
Judith James
Sandy White
Michael Bartlett
Deborah Mills
Patrick Selden
Sam Hubbard

Mon: Robin James
Tue: Sue
Wed: Heather Posnett
Thurs: Joe McLelland
Fri: Crystal Dickinson
Sat: Gordon Mitchell

RIP

Sarah Chatwin
Andrew

Year's Mind:

Michael Peters	9th
Eula Georgala	9th
Philip Roberts	11th
Eric Noble	13th

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer at 9.00am
Monday to Saturday, via Zoom.
After clicking through to Zoom input
the meeting ID (98213650148) and
the password (3GQ8s7).