

**ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN Sunday
5th April 2026, Easter Day! *He is Risen indeed,
Alleluia!***



*Readings for this Sunday 10am: Acts 10 vs 34-43; Matthew
28 vs 1-10*

Dear Friends, I have had a song by Kathryn Scott (Vineyard) stuck in my head for the last few weeks; it's called '*Hungry (Falling on my Knees)*' and the lyrics are below:

*Hungry I come to You
For I know You satisfy
I am empty but I know
Your love does not run dry*

*So I wait for You
So I wait for You*

*I'm falling on my knees
Offering all of me
Jesus You're all
This heart is living for*

*Broken I run to You
For Your arms are open wide
I am weary but I know Your touch
Restores my life*



Much like this song, Lent for me has been a time of patiently waiting, self-examination and drawing closer & surrendering to God. I find listening to worship songs helps me to switch off from the world and put my focus on Him. I wonder how your Lent has been?

One of the benefits of taking time to be still and reflect, is seeing and appreciating God's amazing handiwork. I have enjoyed looking around my garden and discovering the spring bulbs blossoming, something I didn't truly appreciate before coming a Christian! ***Continued overleaf.....***

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I recently had a conversation with someone in church about having 'down time', being able to rest without always having to fill our time. We both agreed just how much we value this, to rest and be refilled. In such a busy world where phones, computers and 24-hour shopping tries to grab our attention, when was the last time you fully rested without distraction?

I would like to encourage you to try and rest, find a comfortable position and pray the words of the song above and allow God to fill you with his peace, love and comfort.

Maybe we should look at having a parish away day, if you think this would be a good idea please let me know and I will see what could be arranged.



Wishing you all a very happy Easter. **Kimberley**

COMING UP:

Thursday 2nd 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Sunday 5th 6am Easter Day DAWN Service in church

Sunday 5th 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) refreshments in the parish centre after the service

Tuesday 7th 7.30pm Lily House Bereavement Group meet in the parish centre

Wednesday 8th 2.30pm Evington History & Heritage Group in parish centre

Thursday 9th 10am –12 noon Open Church

Thursday 9th 10am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion (said)

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Maundy Thursday, Canon Matthew Bradbury will preside and preach at the service of Holy Communion at 10am. This will include foot washing and stripping of the altar at the end. Refreshments will be served at the back of the church after the service. All welcome. Note that this is the only service in church on this day.

‘The Last Hour’ Good Friday 3rd April at 2pm, Kimberley Tyler will lead a poignant, quiet, reflective service with appropriate hymns/songs in church.



Easter Day Dawn Service, at 6am, led by the Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster. A celebration of the first Holy Communion of Easter at St. Denys. This will be a said service held inside church only. All are welcome to attend.

Canon Matthew Bradbury will preside and preach at our **Easter Day** service of Holy Communion, on Sunday at 10am. Refreshments will be served in the parish centre after the service. All are welcome.

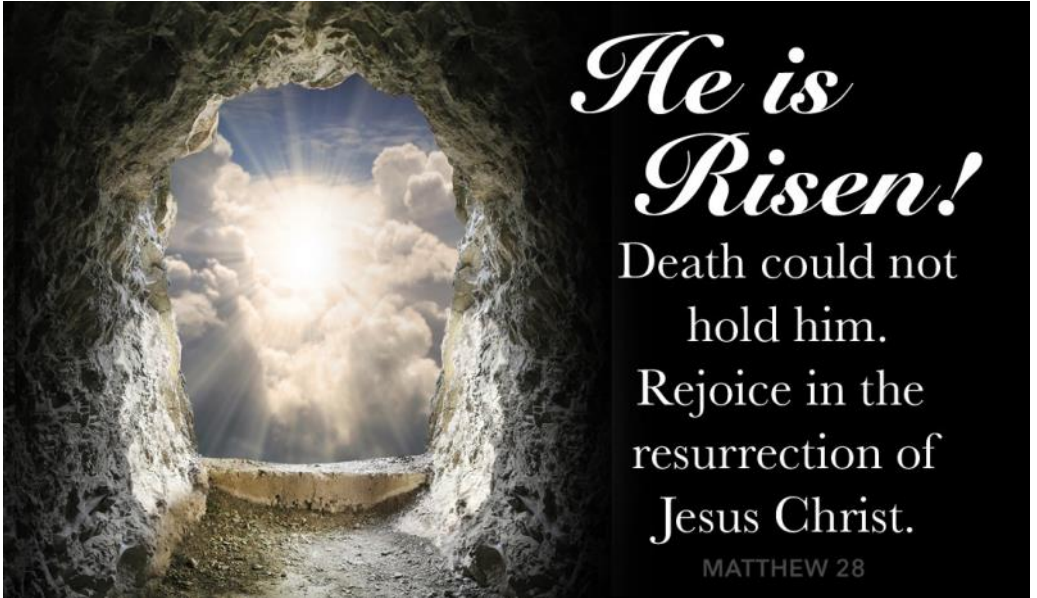
Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion will be held on Thursday 9th April at 10am. Revd Jonathan Surrige will preside and preach. Please stay if you can for refreshments at the end at the back of the church.



ELECTORAL ROLL – IMPORTANT NOTICE! The Electoral Roll will be updated in time for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 30th April. If you are not currently on the roll but would like to be included, please speak to Elizabeth Rudge (elizabeth@rudges.org.uk) for more details and an application form. Easter Sunday, 5th April, is the LAST chance to be added to the Roll before the APCM. There are some forms at the back of the church. If you would like to join, please fill out one of the forms and hand it to Elizabeth Rudge ON EASTER DAY MORNING. Thank you.

Easter Thought: The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the passover of God! From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Intercultural Worship will be held in St. Denys on Sunday 12th April at 10am. This will be led once again by Jessie Tang and Michael Ravuri who have visited us twice before. This will be an interesting and refreshing service with hymns, songs and prayers etc, both traditional and modern in other languages as well as English. All are welcome. Note that there won't be a Holy Communion service in church on this day.



Collect for Easter Day God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life lies open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Pray for the sick: Ann Dixon, Revd Richard Howells, Ron Maund, Pauline Mitchell, Gail Russell, Isobel Thorpe, Richard Williams.

Pray for those with long term health conditions

Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of anyone we know personally.



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