# The Parish of Abbeydale & Millhouses Loving God, valuing people, caring for His world

Sunday 14th April 2024

## **3rd Sunday of Easter**

at St John's	10.00am	All Age Communion
Hymns	742	Ye choirs of new Jerusalem
	290	Lord of the Dance
	310	In Christ alone
Communion	282	How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
	701	We have a gospel to proclaim

Readings Acts 3. 12-19
1 John 3. 1-7
Luke 24. 36b-48

Collect	Post Communion Prayer
Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  Amen	Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

## Welcome! It's good to see you.

We are the family of God and all are welcome at his table. If you are used to receiving **communion** you are welcome to do so here. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please indicate this by bringing this leaflet up with you. Gluten free wafers are also available.

Both churches are equipped with a **hearing loop** system. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

**Toilet facilities**: at Holy Trinity through the vestry door at the front of church on the right. At St John's at the back of church on the right. At both churches there are also toilets in the hall across the car park. <u>All facilities are accessible</u>.

You may wish to use the prayer below to help you to **prepare for worship** this morning.

Lord Jesus, I receive your love poured out for me in bread and wine.

Accept this gift of my life, brought to the altar without conditions.

Do your work in me, and let me be, like you, taken, blessed, and given for others; for, in spite of my failings, you know that I love you. Amen



### **Prayers**

We remember in our prayers....

- all in our church family who are unwell at this time, in hospital or at home.
- those who feel isolated and lonely
- those who have no-one to pray for them
- those who are anxious
- those who have lost loved ones in recent weeks
- those whose years' mind falls at this time

We give thanks for the lives of all who have died recently.

Rest eternal grant unto them, oh Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them.



#### This week:

Pray **in the morning** for the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life; and **in the evening** for peace, individuals known to us personally and their needs.

## **Prayer diary**

On pray for:

Mon all affected by domestic abuse

**Tue** people struggling to recover from illness

**Wed** the homeless and rootless

Thu those who are anxious about the futureFri all who work for peace and reconciliationSat people facing major changes in their lives

Prayer requests can be left on the board in the Lady Chapel at HT and in the Baptistry at St John's.

They are gathered weekly, placed on the altar and offered to God at the Wednesday Eucharist.

## **Readings**

#### Acts 3. 12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

#### The First Letter of John

#### 1.John 3.1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

## **Gospel: Luke 24.36-48** | *Jesus Appears to His Disciples*

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

#### **Notices:**

About the Golddigger Trust, our 2024 Lent Appeal Charity. This is a Christian faith-based charity based in Sheffield and works for the wellbeing of young people. The website says this about their values: We are committed to transforming the lives of young people by equipping them with positive wellbeing and the skills to make good life decisions. We believe that by developing healthy self-esteem and positive wellbeing, encouraged by consistent support, young people are equipped to be all they can be and to face the challenges life may throw them on the way.

https://www.golddiggertrust.co.uk/overview-about-us

The next Litany of Reconciliation will be this Thursday 18 April, 12 noon by the war memorial at St. John's. All welcome to join in this short prayer for peace and forgiveness. Future dates - third Thursday of each month i.e. 16 May, 20 June, 18 July, 15 August, 19 September, 17 October, 21 November and 19 December.

Choral Evensong There will be a full Choral Evensong on Church Music Sunday 9 June at 6:30 at St John's. Guests are invited to augment the choir. Practices will be at St John's on Friday evenings at 8:00 starting 19 April. Alan Eost

## St Wilfrid's Centre Quiz and Pie Night - Thursday 25th April 7.00pm

After the success of our last quiz night and due to popular demand, we are holding another Quiz Night. This time, the quiz and challenges will be accompanied by pie and peas. Please come and join us at what will be a very enjoyable event, while helping to raise much needed funds to help the vulnerable, isolated, and homeless adults in Sheffield. Further details and entry forms are available on our website www.stwilfridscentre.org Tel 0114 2555720. Tickets are available from: St Wilfrid's Centre Event tickets | Yapsody

## TOADS presents Last Séance a comedy by Herb Hasler

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

Weeknights @ 7.30pm, Saturday matinee @ 2.30pm at St John's Church Hall. Tickets £7.00, concessions £6.00. Email tickets@toads-drama.co.uk or call 0114 2351206

## **Diary**

Our churches	are open this	week for private prayer from 1	0.00am as follows:			
	Holy Trinit	ty Mon-Sat; St John's Mon-Thu				
Mon 15th April	oril 9.30am Morning Prayer		Holy Trinity &			
			Zoom			
	1.30pm	Handbell Practice	94 Room St John's			
	6.30pm	Snooker	St John's Hall			
Wed 17th April	10.00am	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity			
	10.00am	Community Café	Holy Trinity Hall			
	2.15pm	Mothers' Union	St John's			
Thurs 18th April	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Holy Trinity & Zoom			
	11.00am	Lunch Club	St John's			
	10.00am	Trinity Tots	Holy Trinity			
	12.00pm	Litany of Reconciliation	St John's			
	2.00pm	Carpet Bowls	St John's			
Fri 19th April	7.30pm	Choir Practice	St John's			
Next Sunday 21st April – Fourth Sunday of Easter						
	10.00am	Parish Communion	Hoy Trinity			
Looking Ahead:						
Mon 22nd April	10.30am	Coffee Morning	14 Kingsley Park Grove, S11 9HL			

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