



Parish of the Holy Trinity, East Ham

St Mary Magdalene St Bartholomew St Edmund

5 April

Year A

Easter Day

THIS SUNDAY IN CHURCH

Happy Easter to you all and a warm welcome to church !

The words of the service (The Eucharist) are printed in the booklets.

Hymns at St Bart's 348, 45, 284, 672. Hymns at St Mary's 348, 9, 433, 672.

Psalm at St Mary's, verses sung by choir; response sung by all:



FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

We arrive at the grand finale of our Holy Week and Easter Celebrations. Thank you to everyone who made these so special. On the run up to Easter we have had adults and young people preparing for baptism and confirmation. Congratulations to Vishnu and Sham being baptized at St Bart's this morning. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for their upcoming wedding. This Easter Season we have our confirmations and more baptisms when Bishop Guli visits us for a joint service at St Mary's on 26 April. Please pray for our candidates.

New Christians among us is a sure sign of hope for our resurrection faith. This is a faith which proclaims that no matter what the world might do to drag us down, love and life will have the final victory. As we wake up to news of ongoing war in our world, of deaths caused by violence it is easy to be disheartened. In times when we doubt the work of the Spirit among us, look to and rejoice in those among us coming to baptism and confirmation. Rejoice in the 'little resurrections' in our own lives and communities.

God bless you

Fr Paul

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Tuesday 9am at St Mary's, Wednesday 8.50am at St Bart's; Thursday 8.50am at St Edmund's.

Weekday Eucharist: Tuesday 12.15pm at St Edmund's; Wednesday 6.30pm at St Mary's Thursday 12.15pm at St Bart's.

Eucharist next Sunday (12 April) Second Sunday of Easter 8am & 10am at St Mary's; 10am at St Bart's; 10am at St Edmund's.

IN OUR PRAYERS

In our Deanery: Stratford St John with Christ Church: Young Lee

In the Diocese: for the Bishop of Bradwell: Adam Atkinson and Archdeacons: Jonathan Croucher (Chelmsford) and Sue Lucas (Southend)

In the Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Southwestern Virginia – The Episcopal Church



In the world: for a complete ceasefire in the conflicts of the world, that we may celebrate Easter with joy as people of hope.

With USPG: for the work of USPG in mission hospitals and clinics, for nurses, doctors, and all who care for the sick.

In the Parish: Rothsay Road, Rutland Road, Sandford Close

This week : for Molara, on a significant birthday this Thursday, giving thanks for her and her service to the church. Happy birthday Molara!

Those who have asked our prayers:

Particular need: June Bassenger, Courtney, Ethel King, Laurine & Ancil Griffith, Bentley Mason, Andrew West

Continuing need: Lorraine Ashton, Zareen Choudary, Graham Davis, Doris Goodchild, Cassandra Gosai, Caroline Grisely, Emily Jones, Paul Gillard, Maggie Holder, Terry Hooker, Cassie Martin, Dennis Pridmore, Mary Skerritt, Eutal Spence.

Those who have died: Miriam Lee

In the Year's Mind: Ben Richards, Marion Anglum, Gerrard Stokes, Edward Hughson, James Jones *May they rest in peace and rise in glory*

NOTICES

Parish Office will be closed bank holiday Monday.

Miriam Lee's funeral and burial will take place on 15th April at 11am at City of London Cemetery. Miriam was a long standing and very committed member of St Edmund's and we give thanks for her life.

This year the Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal is raising funds for Anglican Development Services of Mt Kenya East (ADSMKE) to support their work in response to climate change and in environmental conservation across our five linked partner dioceses in Kenya. Donations will be open until 1st July 2026. See *posters and fliers in church* to find out more and support, scan QR code or see www.chelmsford.anglican.org/about-us/our-faith-in-action/the-bishop-of-chelmsfords-lent-appeal-2026/



Youth event: Easter Encounter is a relaxed afternoon and evening together during the Easter holidays with games, food, worship, and prayer as we celebrate the hope of Easter. *Tuesday 7th April, 2pm–8pm, St Luke's Church, Ruscoe Road, Canning Town, London E16 1JB.* The afternoon will begin with welcome and team games before heading out for team challenges. We will then share food together before gathering for a youth service with worship, a short talk, and time for prayer. Young people can sign up using the link below:

<https://stlukescanningtown.churchsuite.com/events/qp7zswiw>

Bishop Guli (Bishop of Chelmsford) will join us at a Joint Parish Eucharist (10am) at St Mary Magdalene's on **Sunday 26 April**. Please pray for our candidates for Baptism, Confirmation and Reception into the Communion of the Church of England.

Christian Aid Concert on **16th May at 3-5.30 pm** at St Barts. Calling all performers for this annual concert. If you're interested in performing, please contact either Alison alisonmclucas@gmail.com or Philip philj.ktm@gmail.com by 2nd May 2026.

St Bart's Intercessory Prayer will follow the service 31st May.

Is your child in Year 3 or above and would like to join the parish choir?
Mthr Katherine, a very experienced Primary School music teacher and director of children's and adult choirs, is forming a group of junior choristers to join the parish choir and lead services, mainly at St Mary Magdalene's. Rehearsals will be held every Wednesday afternoon during term time from 4.30pm to 5.45pm in St Mary Magdalene's church hall. This will eventually lead to the choristers joining the adult choir to lead Sunday worship. Please contact Mthr Katherine to register your interest and a pack of information will be available soon katherine.ward@easthamparish.org.uk.

ECO CHURCH

Wishing you all a blessed and joyful Easter, giving thanks for all God's creation, and, as spring brings new life, the resurrection of Jesus brings new hope and joy into our lives.

MEETINGS

Wed 22 April – Standing Committee at St Bart's at 3pm

Tue 28 April – Joint DCC's/PCC meeting at St Bart's at 7pm



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