



## Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.*

Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	All Age Worship
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting <i>in the hall with cup of tea at 5pm</i>
During the Week	
Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in the church</i>
	9.30-11.30am Open House Toddlers <i>in the Lounge</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	6.30-7.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>in the Rose Price – note new time!</i>
	7.30pm St Matts Cats <i>in the church</i>
Fri	6.30-8pm Youth Club <i>in the Hall</i>
Sunday 17 April	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
6pm	Youth Service

### 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

## Readings

### John 21: 1-19 (The Message)

<sup>1-3</sup> After this, Jesus appeared again to the disciples, this time at the Tiberias Sea (the Sea of Galilee). This is how he did it: Simon Peter, Thomas (nicknamed “Twin”), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the brothers Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. Simon Peter announced, “I’m going fishing.”

<sup>3-4</sup> The rest of them replied, “We’re going with you.” They went out and got in the boat. They caught nothing that night. When the sun came up, Jesus was standing on the beach, but they didn’t recognize him.

<sup>5</sup> Jesus spoke to them: “Good morning! Did you catch anything for breakfast?” They answered, “No.” <sup>6</sup> He said, “Throw the net off the right side of the boat and see what happens.” They did what he said. All of a sudden there were so many fish in it, they weren’t strong enough to pull it in.

<sup>7-9</sup> Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, “It’s the Master!”

When Simon Peter realized that it was the Master, he threw on some clothes, for he was stripped for work, and dived into the sea. The other disciples came in by boat for they weren’t far from land, a hundred yards or so, pulling along the net full of fish. When they got out of the boat, they saw a fire laid, with fish and bread cooking on it. <sup>10-11</sup> Jesus said, “Bring some of the fish you’ve just caught.” Simon Peter joined them and pulled the net to shore - 153 big fish! And even with all those fish, the net didn’t rip. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said, “Breakfast is ready.” Not one of the disciples dared ask, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Master.

<sup>13-14</sup> Jesus then took the bread and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus had shown himself alive to the disciples since being raised from the dead. <sup>15</sup> After breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” “Yes, Master, you know I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” <sup>16</sup> He then asked a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” “Yes, Master, you know I love you.” Jesus said, “Shepherd my sheep.” <sup>17-19</sup> Then he said it a third time: “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” Peter was upset that he asked for the third time, “Do you love me?” so he answered, “Master, you know everything there is to know. You’ve got to know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. I’m telling you the very truth now: When you were young you dressed yourself and went wherever you wished, but when you get old you’ll have to stretch out your hands while someone else dresses you and takes you where you don’t want to go.” He said this to hint at the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. And then he commanded, “Follow me.”

## Acts 9: 1-6 (NIVUK)

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' <sup>5</sup> 'Who are you, Lord?' Saul asked. 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,' he replied. <sup>6</sup> 'Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.'

### Suggestions for your Prayers

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<b>Today</b>	Praise God for Easter and the happy times we had with family, Church members and with unexpected guests. Also for the Men's Breakfast yesterday morning - may we all see God through the testimony of others.
<b>Mon</b>	We remember the Fabric Committee as they meet tonight. Pray for wisdom as they think about the future re-ordering in the church.
<b>Tues</b>	For the children in our Parish as they go back to school, and for their teachers that they may have sufficient strength and patience.
<b>Wed</b>	Pray for preparations for the A. P. C. M. on the 24th. That the right people will hear God's call to serve as Church Officers and members who could be on the committee to serve God in leading our Church forward.
<b>Thurs</b>	Pray for all who are housebound for a variety of reasons; for all who are ill; and for all who for one reason or another cannot come.
<b>Fri</b>	Pray for preparations for the coach trip to Westminster - for Kevin Foster our Member of Parliament.
<b>Sat</b>	Pray for the Street Pastors, School Pastors, Prayer Pastors and all who share their faith on the streets.
<b>Sun</b>	Today we remember the Staff led by John. Pray for them as they minister God's love week by week and pray for our services.

# What's On & News

**Sunday 24 April** – special services being held – 10.30am hall Prayzone, 10.30am church Morning Worship. Then join together in the church at about 11am to give thanks for all that God has been doing among us in 2015 and to look ahead into the next year. (This will be part of the reporting of the annual church meeting.) A pause for coffee at 11.30 and then continue with the meeting at 12pm. Please plan to stay on for this if you can.

**Electoral Roll** If you are not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be, please pick up a form from the back of church and return it to the office before 10 April when the Roll will close. Being on the Roll enables you to vote at the APCM. **NB If you are already on the Roll, there is no need to apply again this year.**

**The St Matthias Pre-School** provides an amazing natural outdoor area which the children adore. We are planning to refurbish the area with the help of some parents who have offered their services for free. We'd like to buy some new equipment - donations would be welcome via a BTMyDonate website we've set up (gift aid for tax payers). <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/lizsampson1>  
Thank you. *Sylvia*

**Westminster Trip in June to visit Parliament.** Please speak to Rob Newman for more details - 01803 524215.

**Torquay Community Larder** There will be a meeting to hear about this new project on Wednesday 13 April at 7.30pm at the Salvation Army in Market St.

**It Takes Two – Building a Lasting Marriage Together** 7.30pm on Thurs 12 May at the Riviera Centre - a Care for the Family event. For more info see [www.careforthefamily.prg.uk/ittakestwo](http://www.careforthefamily.prg.uk/ittakestwo)

**Sat 23 April St George's Day Annual Dinner and Entertainment** in aid of Rowcroft. 7 for 7.30pm in the Hall at St Matthias. Tickets £12.50 available from Sheila (297656) or Elaine (390222). Traditional roast dinner, followed by musical entertainment and community singing of well-known English songs.

**Do you need a carpenter?** Owing to a change of circumstances Charlie Allansen is now carrying out the following services: carpentry, joinery, decorating, tiling, gardening and much, much more!! For more information please contact him on 07917 005406. 😊

Christ is Risen!  
**Alleluia!**  
He is Risen Indeed!