



## Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.*

*Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am today.*

<b>Today</b>	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	<i>Coffee in the Hall</i>
11am	United Family Service
5.30pm	Evening Service
<b>During the Week</b>	
Mon	12.30 Matt's Knits <i>social knitting group in the Lounge</i>
Tues	7.30pm St Matt's Cats
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
Sat	<i>9am Men's Breakfast at English Riviera Ctr with speaker Trevor Stavely</i>
<b>15 April</b>	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	<i>Growzone in the Hall</i>
10.30am	<i>Coffee in the Hall</i>
11am	Holy Communion
5.30pm	'Route 66' – youth-led service

### Collect

Risen Christ,  
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts,  
that we may seek the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God the Father. Amen

## Readings

### Acts 4: 32-35

<sup>32</sup> All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. <sup>33</sup> With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all <sup>34</sup> that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales <sup>35</sup> and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

### John 20: 19-31

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.'

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

<sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

### Contacting the Church

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**When the Spirit comes...  
Pentecost Weekend  
19 & 20 May 2018**



A Saturday and Sunday at St Matthias of teaching, celebration and prayer about the person and work of the Holy Spirit led by Archdeacon Kevin Roberts and Revd Anne Roberts from 'Resource'. Provisional workshop times are: Sat @ 10am, 2.30pm, 4pm and 7.30pm for the evening celebration with the option of staying to watch the Royal Wedding with a shared picnic lunch. Sunday workshops will be part of the usual Sunday services.



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***For our prayers and praise this week***

Sunday	Praise God that we know Jesus is alive. Pray for Esther and Paul who were baptised in the sea last week and that their faith and witness will grow.
Mon	Be praying now about the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on the 22nd. Pray for the election of Church Wardens and PCC that the right people will be elected.
Tues	Pray for peace in our world with so much violence, hardships and homelessness. Pray for the agencies seeking to bring peace and hope.
Wed	Pray for the Pentecost Weekend (Renewal Weekend) being led by Archdeacon Kevin Roberts and his wife Rev'd Anne Roberts who support 'Resource'.
Thurs	Pray for those who find the change in service times and content difficult, and also the prospect of the re-ordering hard to envisage.
Fri	Pray for our Church leaders in their ministry - the two Archbishops, our own Bishops, Archdeacons and our staff team.
Sat	Pray for the next Men's Breakfast on 14th. The speaker will be Trevor Stavely. Pray that God will be giving him just the right words to pass on.
Sun	Pray for all the services taking place around the Bay and our own services. Pray for all who are leading in any capacity that they will be faithful to God's Word.

# What's on and notices

**New Magazine is out today!** Please pick up a copy (£1 donation please).

## **Update - Annual Church Meeting 22 April at 5pm**

A review of last year and a look ahead plus voting in the new Parochial Church Council (PCC) and church wardens. Pick up a copy today of the 2 annual report documents and have a read before the meeting. (Please bring copy back to meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup>.) If you wish to vote you need to be on the Electoral Roll (ER). Forms are available from the back of church. If you wish to serve on the PCC you need to have been on the ER for 6 months. If you are already on the ER, you do not need to complete another form this year.

**Girls Allowed Film Night on Wednesday 18th April** at Lincombe Manor at **7pm to 9.30pm**. Early start so that we can discuss the (brilliant) film, "**Hidden Figures**", after. Minibus to and from Church at 6.45pm, to help with parking. **Essential to SIGN UP** by email or on the Larkin Hall noticeboard by Sunday 15th please, saying also if you want a lift. £3 donation to cover room hire.

**Thank you** to all who supported the Wednesday Lunches during Lent. We were able to bank £545 for Christian Aid!

**Commonwealth Games:** look out for Nikki Emerson next week in the Wheelchair track racing - granddaughter of Joy Emerson who worships here at St Matts.

**Data Protection:** if you have received an Audit form to complete, please can you return your completed form to Cecil or Sylvia by 16 April. Thank you

**Messy Church:** Tuesday 17 April at 3.15pm

### **Generous God, Generous People**

- If you'd like to know more about, or join the '**Parish Giving Scheme**', there's a special table with information and forms in the Hall over coffee today at 10.30am.
- We're hoping to run the CAP money course this summer. It's a free course about managing your money. In just a few weeks you will organise your finances so you can budget, save and prevent debt. To register interest, please contact Tony Barratt, church treasurer, on 07984001973 or [tony@ab-consulting.org](mailto:tony@ab-consulting.org)

