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5 May 2019 Third Sunday of Easter

## Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am today.

Today			
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
9.30am	Breakfastzone		
10.30am	Coffee in the Hall		
11am	Holy Communion		
During the Week			
Tues	9am Morning Prayer		
	9am Open House Parents and Toddl	ers in the Lounge	
	12.30pm Matts Knits	in the Lounge	
Wed	9am Holy Communion	followed by coffee in the Lounge	
	7.30pm Girls Allowed	in the Lounge	
Fri	6.30pm TGIF		
Sat	9am Men's Breakfast at the Riviera International Centre		
Sunday 12 May			
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
10.30am	Coffee in the Hall		
11am	United Family Service		
5.30pm	Evening Holy Communion		

#### 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

#### Acts 9: 1-6

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.'

#### John 21: 1-19

Afterwards Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: <sup>2</sup> Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. <sup>3</sup> 'l'm going out to fish,' Simon Peter told them, and they said, 'We'll go with you.' So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> He called out to them, 'Friends, haven't you any fish?' 'No,' they answered. <sup>6</sup> He said, 'Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.' When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. <sup>7</sup> Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, 'It is the Lord,' he wrapped his outer garment round him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. <sup>8</sup> The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred metres. <sup>9</sup> When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' <sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples dared ask him, 'Who are you?' They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup> When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?'

'Yes, Lord,' he said, 'you know that I love you.' Jesus said, 'Feed my lambs.'

<sup>16</sup> Again Jesus said, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?'

He answered, 'Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.'

Jesus said, 'Take care of my sheep.'

<sup>17</sup> The third time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' He said, 'Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.'

Jesus said, 'Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup> Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.' <sup>19</sup> Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, 'Follow me!'

For our prayers and praise this week		
Sun	John and Ruth Beckett have started their Sabbatical so won't be with us for	
	a little while. Please pray that they will have a refreshing and renewing time	
Mon	Pray for the new scheme of having three children's groups according to age.	
	Pray that they will learn and grow in their faith.	
Tues	Please pray for all the sick folk in our congregation that the Lord will heal	
	them. Pray too for all who have been bereaved recently.	
Wed	Remember all asylum seekers, refugees and homeless people especially in	
	Torbay. Pray for organisations helping them, like Torbay Larder and others.	
Thurs	In obedience to Scripture, we pray for all who rule over us. Remember the	
	Prime Minister and Government in these critical days and for newly elected	
	Councillors.	
Fri	Pray for Victoria Yates and her extended family suffering right now. Pray for	
	the Youth work headed up by Victoria.	
Sat	Pray for all who come to the occasional services, especially Baptisms and	
	weddings. May God meet them as they celebrate with their families.	
Sun	Pray for the Ministry Team, especially Stephen with added responsibilities	
	while John is away. Pray for any taking part in leading today's services.	

**Wellspring Update** Thank you for all the donations from individuals and groups towards the Appeal. The PCC met on Sunday and have agreed in principle to go ahead with the re-ordering subject to further checks and formal approval at May's PCC meeting. Start date to be confirmed.

**Fundraising continues** as we endeavour to reach our target. Thank you to those who have pledged money – we would ask that you now consider redeeming your pledges or consider making one if you have not yet done so.

### And more fundraising...

'The Wellspring Art Studio' is open at Mike Burt's house in St Marychurch – his walls are filled with his watercolours which are for sale with proceeds to the Appeal. To arrange a visit contact Mike on 328229. Refreshments will be provided!

# what's on and News

**Our children and young people** are an integral part of the Church family and we continually seek to find ways to deepen their faith. We believe that one of the ways to do this is through group times on a Sunday. We will now be running three groups during the All Age Service (week 2), Growzone and Prayzone. These groups will stay out for longer and will not return to the service. This will provide consistency and continuity for the children as well as more time for us to explore our themes together. Any questions please talk to Victoria, Judi or Tessa.

**Girls Allowed** Wednesday 8th May 7.30 to 9.30pm in the lounge, Talk by Ros Ede, founder of Torbay Street Pastors and Ladies Lounge. Please sign up in the hall or email Ruth <u>irmp@btinternet.com</u> £3 donation on the door.

**Men's Breakfast** 9am on 11 May at Riviera International Centre with surprise guest speaker! Contact Charlie to book at <u>c.allansen@btinternet.com</u> 07917 005406



**AN INTRO TO RIVERFORD ORGANIC VEG** "Colourful, inspiring, outstanding!" The Friends of St Matthias are looking forward to welcoming you at the Riverford evening on Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7.30 pm in the Peter Larkin Hall. Join us for a demonstration and tasting session. Tickets just £7.50 of which £2.50 will go to the Wellspring

Appeal. Tickets available from the Friends table over coffee on Sunday morning or from the Church Office during the week.

**Ecclesiastical Insurance** are giving away £1000 to 500 charities. Anyone can nominate a charity to win one of these £1000 awards so please consider completing the online form to nominate St Matthias Church (charity number 1130983) – it's quick and easy to do. Thank you. <u>www.ecclesiastical.com/movement-for-good</u>

*Giving to support the church:* We encourage people to give via the 'Parish Giving Scheme' (PGS) from their bank accounts. That's why the collection plate often goes around empty! So, if you are new to St Matthias, please do not feel you need to put any cash into the collection plate but do ask one of the Welcomers for more information about the PGS. Thank you.

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