



Welcome on Easter Sunday!

Sunday 31st March

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Welcome! Join us in church or online

www.youtube.com/@stmatthiaschurchtorquay6827/streams

The church is usually open on Wednesdays from 12-2pm for visitors
or for personal prayer

Sun 31 Mar EASTER SUNDAY	8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	10.30am Gather to Pray
	11am United Family Communion <i>followed by tea/coffee</i> <i>Please wear something coloured white/gold/yellow!</i> https://youtube.com/live/Y9NWiXPJ-Bw?feature=share
Mon 1 April	CLOSED for Bank Holiday
Tues 2 April	9-9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i>
	No Knits today or next week, and Office is closed Tuesday
Wed 3 April	9am Holy Communion
	12-2pm 'Welcome Space' <i>in the church</i>
	7.15-9pm St Matt's Gospel Singers <i>practise in church</i>
Sun 7 April	8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	9.30am Explore Together with breakfast!
	10.30am Gather to Pray
	11am Holy Communion <i>followed by tea/coffee</i>

Collect

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell; fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Thanks go to:

Our clergy and all
those involved in
our services



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Readings

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: 'I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹ 'We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. ⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, 'Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?'

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ 'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."'

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Help please!

Mummy & Me This is a weekly group running in the church every Friday morning for parents and babies offering friendship, support and teaching. They would be really grateful for some more help with serving refreshments and tidying up at the end of the session (some chair moving included). It's from around 9.30 – 12. Please contact Pere if you would like to get involved. It's a lively group of around 30 or so mums and their babies running term time only.

Occasional cleaner in the Centre We are looking for someone to help with occasional cleaning in the Centre usually on a Friday evening and sometimes a Sunday afternoon. It is a paid position and will involve vacuuming, mopping, general cleaning. Please contact Pere if you are interested or require more information. Thank you.

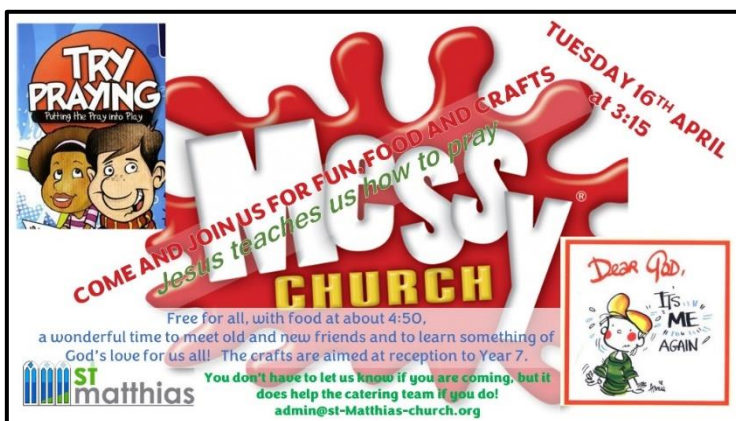
Men's clothing requested Charlie Allansen has asked if we can include this request in our notices. Yuliia Polutska of the Torbay Communities is in need of men's clothing, of all types and sizes. Yuliia is working with refugees in Torbay and is asking for help in this task. She can be contacted on 07442 646022 or through the website: <https://www.torbaycommunities.com/>

Torquay Community Larder thanks us for our continued support and regular donations. As well as food, they are happy to receive washing powder, tooth paste, loo rolls, shower gel, washing up liquid, shampoo and deodorant. Thank you!

Dates for the diary

APCM 19 May @ 4.30pm – advance notice of our Annual Church Meeting.

Electoral Roll If you have been worshipping here for longer than 6 months you can join the Electoral Roll, which enables you to vote at the APCM and to help to make decisions for our church. Please see Paulina or fill in a form that is at the entrance of the church.



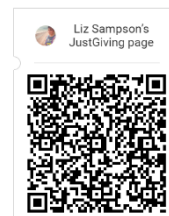
Messy Church 16 April. Why not give it a try!

News

The Chaplaincy Team which serves our local hospitals are looking for new volunteers to work with them. There are opportunities at Torbay and elsewhere. They plan to run an introductory course for new volunteers in April. For more information contact 01803 654186 or tsdft.chaplains@nhs.net

Help us nurture our nature area! Liz (Pre-School Manager) is training to run in the Marathon on Sunday 21 April to raise funds to upgrade the Forest School area for the benefit of the children at Pre-School. If you are able to sponsor her please go to link below. Thank you!

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/liz-sampson>



trypraying.

Have you tried praying?

Look out for this new resource coming out later in April.

Prayer Suggestions for our prayers and praise this week

Mon Dear Lord, help us to see people as you see them.

Tue Dear God, help me to lead a life that is pleasing to you, to stay close to you each day and find time to spend alone with you.

Wed Lord, help me to act wisely and to speak words of wisdom that bring blessings to others.

Thurs Dear God, please come into the deepest part of my heart and remove anything that is not of You.

Fri Dear Lord, give me the patience as I wait for Your perfect timing and prepare for the plans You have for me.

Sat Father, help me to be merciful just as You are merciful to me.

Sun Lord, please guard my heart and guide my feet.

