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REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Syria, Sudan, and all places affected by warfare, violence or state oppression.

Those who have asked for our prayers:

the Rev'd Mo Baldwin, Pam McLoughlin, Dorothy Kerr, Beryl Diggles, Dot Bolan, Margaret Almond, Debbie Cope, Simon Charles Biddolph, Thelma Warburton

All recently departed. June Elsdon

those who we remember at this time:

John Kay, Norah Lister, Margaret Ann Brooks, Alan Cowley
Margaret McLean, Elizabeth McCluskey, Jack Berry.

To allow for privacy, names are not added on to the sick or departed lists unless requested and permission from the person named is given.

To add a name onto our prayer or memorial lists, please email chorleystp.office@gmail.com

Sunday 4th May 2025

3rd Sunday of Easter

COMING UP AT ST PETER'S

Sunday 4th May	08.00am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	6.00pm	Youth Group (Meeting room)
Wednesday 7th May	10.00am	Holy Eucharist
Sunday 11th May	08:00am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00am	Service of the Word and Parade.

NOTICES & DATES FOR THE DIARY.

- **Confirmation classes** – continue on Saturday mornings at 9am in church. (No class on 31st May).
- From Sunday 4th May, we will begin our Sunday Sermon Series, "**From Creation to Christ**". We'll explore God's plan of redemption, from Creation to Jesus' birth, journeying in faith, prayer, and hope.
- **Youth Club** – restarts on Sunday 4th May at 6pm in the meeting room.
- **A Coffee Morning** is being held by St Peter's Mother's Union on Saturday 10th May from 10am – 12pm. Tickets are £1.50 and are available from any Mother's Union member.
- **The Annual Parochial Church Meeting:** On Sunday, 18th May 2025, there will be a single Parish Eucharist at 9.30am, during which the APCM will be held. If anyone wishes to serve the church as a PCC member or to become a Deanery Synod Representative, nomination forms are available at the back of church.
- **Clergy Post Easter Break** Fr Neil will be on leave from 30th April – 7th May.
- **Breakfast at the Vicarage** will be back on Sunday 8th June at 8:45am.

The LYCiG Prayer for Church Growth

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church: Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Collect

Let us pray

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

We sit to attend to the scriptures

Liturgy of the Word

The Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:3.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day. And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day. And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so. God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day. And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day. And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the

sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel | John 1:1-5

Alleluia, Alleluia,

Jesus said "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glorify to you, O Lord

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post-communion prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen



Please join us for refreshments after the Service.