

The Parish Church of St. Peter, Chorley

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Sunday 19th April 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter

COMING UP AT ST Peters'

Sunday 19 th April	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist
Wednesday 22nd April	10am	All age Eucharist
Saturday 25 th April	9am	Lego Church
Sunday 26 th April	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist
	1pm	Holy Baptism
	6pm	Youth Group

Notices.

The second Sunday of the month parade service will now be an All-Age Eucharist and will include Holy Communion.

Confirmation takes place on Sunday 12th July at 4pm. Confirmation classes will be on Sunday evenings from 31st May – 5th July. If you are adult who would like to be confirmed please speak to Fr Cornelius.

Mother's Union (MU) are supporting a MU initiative called "Rise Up" it aims to help raise awareness of domestic abuse and support is given to families fleeing abuse. Members are asked to donate items to families that could prove useful in such situations. Please see the poster in the porch or ask Anne Wilding for more information to see if you can support them in any way with this.

Our APCM will take place on 24th May during the 10am Parish Eucharist.

For anyone who needs to complete training on Basic/Foundation and Domestic Abuse –there is a course at St Laurence's on Monday 11th May 10am – 4pm.

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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, Beryl Diggles, Dot Bolan, Debbie Cope, Jeff Morgan, Cassie Wilson, Amanda Smith, Dorothy Treadwell, Joan Baxendale, Joe Warburton, Kim and Cole Leighton & family.

All recently departed: Fr Gerald Downing

those who we remember at this time: Elizabeth Ellen Robinson, Jack Newsham, Derek Penny, Simon Foulkes, Carole Strickland, George Oliver Brown, Phyllis Walker, Patricia Margaret Cheetham, Fanny Gaskell, Emily Holden, William Burgess.

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

PASTORAL VISITS & HOME COMMUNION

If you, a member of your family, or a friend would value a pastoral visit or would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please do get in touch with Fr. Cornelius directly. He would be very happy to arrange a convenient time to call upon you. You can reach him by email at cornelius@stlaurencechorley.co.uk or by phone or message on 07592 838726.

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Collect.

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 | Acts 2.14a, 36-41

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

"Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel – Luke 24.13-35

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him.

He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

"What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

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.
