

## COMING UP...

### April

**Saturday 25th April at Oakdale Library—Win on Waste collection, and on the 4th Saturday every month**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> - Community Afternoon Tea** 3pm in hall. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church if you can help with provisions towards the tea. As always, your donations are much appreciated.



**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2pm Open Garden at 24A Western Avenue, Poole.** Supporting Poole Wau Partnership. Teas, cakes, jams and chutneys on offer for sale. Admission £7 towards Open Gardens charity. Sale proceeds in aid of Poole Wau Partnership.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>** at 6.30pm - You are invited to celebrate the launch of Jeannie Kendall's 4th book. 'He Refreshes My Soul' at Buckland Road Baptist Church, Buckland Road, Poole BH12 2NA. A wonderful chance to 'refresh your soul'. With Q&A session, readings and signed copies. Light food and refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to admin@bucklandroadbaptist.church

### May

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm** St Mary's Church, Longfleet Road, Poole BH15 2JD. Join Rob Parsons of 'Care for the Family' for an evening of untold stories from Rob's lifetime of overcoming obstacles and discovering that the past does not have to define us. Tickets £6, book at cff.org.uk/robparsons

### **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> - Craft and Chat Day.**

Please put the date in your diary, tickets available soon. Donations welcome for the craft Bring and Buy stall. Please bring them to the office before the 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

### June

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Café Church 2pm**

### THIS WEEK

#### **Sunday 19 April – Easter 3**

**8.30am Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel  
**10am Holy Communion with Zoom**  
Prayer ministry after this service

#### **Monday 20 April**

Please pray for those persecuted for their faith  
Wingfield Avenue and Worgret Road

#### **Tuesday 21 April**

Please pray for all the children who attend JaM that they will be filled with the fruits of the spirit  
Worshippers at St Paul's and Christ Church

#### **Wednesday 22 April**

Please pray for the homeless and the work of Routes to Roots  
St George's worshippers living outside the parish  
**10am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel**  
**2-4pm Knit and Natter** in the small hall  
**7pm – 8.30pm Visiting Bellringers**

#### **Thursday 23 April**

Please pray for those training to run the London Marathon  
Holiday visitors worshipping with us

#### **Friday 24 April**

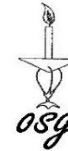
Please pray for our community tea  
Bailey Crescent and Brampton Road

#### **Saturday 25 April**

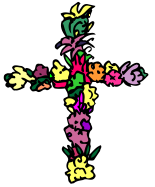
**9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988pwd=VFpUVIpxXU0VwUzFjSWp3WHZNTGpWdz09>  
Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213  
Please pray for all St George's services  
Bright Road and Bushell Road

#### **Sunday 26 April – St George's Day Festival**

**8.30am Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel  
**10am Morning Worship and Zoom**  
**3pm Community Afternoon Tea** in the large hall



**THIS WEEK AT  
OAKDALE ST GEORGE  
Easter 3  
19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**



Dear Friends,

As we hear again the story from Luke about the two disciples on the road to Emmaus can we put ourselves in their shoes, hurrying away from Jerusalem, concerned about any possible repercussions from the authorities as a result of their association with Jesus.

Talking together about what they had witnessed, not looking about but deep in discussion.

How often have you met someone who you know but don't recognise because they are out of their usual environment.

Blessings

*John*

**Next Sunday – 26<sup>th</sup> April  
St George's Day Festival  
Readings: 2 Timothy 2. 3-13  
John 15.18-21**

**Hearing loop available** in church.  
Turn your hearing aid to the T switch

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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**

## Acts 2.14a, 36–41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd in Jerusalem: 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

## Luke 24.13–35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief

priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## Post Communion

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 pray for

**Worldwide:** The Church of the Province of Myanmar



**Diocese:** St Martin, Guernsey Deanery

**Local:** Wilmur Crescent and Wimborne Road

**Immediate Prayer:** Jacob Mason, Alison, Frances, Judith, Nancy, Val, Willow.

**Continuous Prayer:** Carol Burridge, Tony Bursey, Bethany Cook, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Richard and Anita Glynn, Hilary Henson, Jim L, Beverley Mitchell, Chris Moody, Sue Rowledge, Carrie Spencer, Ginny Williams, Chris, Dorothy, Julie, Kezia

Also, we remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

**Raymond Perham, Annie Williams and Gilbert Petrie**

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## St George's Tower Cross

The new tower cross can now be floodlit for memorable occasions. Request cards are available in the office. The cost remains at £10.

## War in Ukraine

St George's Knit and Natter group have been knitting jumpers, blankets and other items to go to Ukraine via New Forest for Ukraine. We have also sent donations of sanitary items, shower gel, toothpaste and brushes. To date we have sent three car loads!

If you have any medium or small sized wheelie suitcases that you no longer use and are **in useable condition**, we would welcome them. We can fill them with goodies to send. They are then used in Ukraine by people who have been made homeless and have no means of carrying the donations you send to them.

Thank you

Sue Colborne