

The Haverfordwest Local Ministry Area
Sunday 30th April: Easter 3

Receiving Communion

Anyone who is baptised in the Name of the Trinity is welcome to receive Communion in this church. When you come to receive, hold out your hands and you will be given bread and wine. If you would like a blessing instead, please indicate by holding your service book in your hands. Children under 5 can receive the bread. Over 5's may receive either bread and wine or the bread alone as parents decide. If you are not yet baptised, please speak to us. We would love to welcome you into the family of the Church.

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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (Acts 2:14a, 36-41)

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: Therefore 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.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (Psalm 116:1-8)

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my / suppli/cation :
because he inclined his ear to me on the / day I / called to / him.

The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of / hell took / hold of me :
by grief and / sorrow / was I / held.

Then I called upon the / name of the / Lord :
'O Lord, I / beg you, de/liver my / soul.'

Gracious is the / Lord and / righteous :
our / God is / full of com/passion.

The Lord watches / over the / simple :
I was brought very / low – / and he / saved me.

Turn again to your rest / O my / soul :
for the Lord / has been / gracious to / you.

For you have delivered my / soul from / death :
my eyes from tears / and my / feet from / falling.

SECOND READING (1 Peter 1:17-23)

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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GOSPEL (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 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.**

This week's notices

Sunday 30th April Godparents Sunday

5:00pm Local Ministry Area Evening Service at St Davids Prendergast

Tuesday 2nd May

7.30pm Planning meeting for HOPE 2018 mission initiative at Bethesda Baptist Church

Wednesday 3rd May

10:00am Mass followed by coffee at St Martins

4:00pm Junior Singers at St Marys

7:00pm Ministry Team Meeting at St Martins Vicarage

Friday 5th May

11:00am Holy Eucharist followed by tea and toast at St Marys

12:30pm Lunchtime concert: Cleddau Chamber Orchestra at St Marys

Saturday 6th May

9:30am Growing Hope 3 at Trinity St Davids Carmarthen Campus

Easter 4: Sunday 7th May

8:00am Low Mass at St Martins, Haverfordwest

9:30 Sung Parish Mass at St Martins

10:15am Holy Eucharist at St Ismaels, Camrose

11:15am Sung Parish Eucharist at St Marys, Haverfordwest

6:00pm Parish Evensong at St Martins

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