



# The Bridge Group of Churches

Nackington - Lower Hardres - Bridge - Patrixbourne – Bekesbourne

Charity No 5188274

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## Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022, Easter Sunday

### Today's Readings:

Acts 10.34-43; 1 Corinthians 15.19-26; **Luke 24.1-12**

### Upcoming Services

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April:

**10am Easter Sung Holy Communion at St Mary's Patrixbourne**

**4pm Family Service St Peter's Bridge**

### Collect

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity **Amen**

### Post Communion

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Weekly Dates

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> 7pm**

Friends' Event 'Great Aunt Tessa's Gap Year' at St Mary's Nackington, tickets £5 from 01227 462034

**Weds 20<sup>th</sup> 9-9.30am**

Morning Prayer on Zoom contact [estellalast@gmail.com](mailto:estellalast@gmail.com) for the link

**Weds 20<sup>th</sup>**

Bridge School Easter Services

**Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> 9-11am**

Little Lambs at Bridge Pavilion

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> 8.45am**

Parents Prayer Group at St Peter's Bridge

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> 6.30pm**

Friends' event Organ Recital performed by Adrian Bawtree at St Peter's Bekesbourne, tickets £12 from 01227 830271 / 01227 830858

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am**

Eco Church Meeting at St Peter's Bridge.

### Acts 10.34-43;

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### 1 Corinthians 15.19-26;

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

## Luke 24.1-12

### The Resurrection of Jesus

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

## **Parish News**

### **Supporting Ukraine**

Thank you to everyone that helped with or attended to the tea and cake event last Sunday in Bridge Village Hall. We raised over £1000 which will be donated to the DEC Ukraine appeal which is match funded by the Government.

### **Resourcing Pilgrimage – St Mary's Patrixbourne**

We are once again happily welcoming many more pilgrims through St Mary's Patrixbourne and have some bookings for groups to visit in the coming months. We need people to help with church cleaning and hospitality. Please let Andrea Nicholson (830947) know if you would like to get involved.

## The Bridge Village Fete

The Bridge Village Fete will be back this year, the date is **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**. As in previous years it has been agreed that half the fete proceeds will be donated to parish funds. If you can be available to help at all on the day please let Laurence or Evelyn know.

### Save these Dates!

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 7pm The Bridge Group Parish APCM at Bridge and Patrixbourne Primary School

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May 9-11.30am Parish Vision Morning Lower Hardres Village Hall

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 12-4pm Bridge Village Fete, Bridge & Patrixbourne School



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