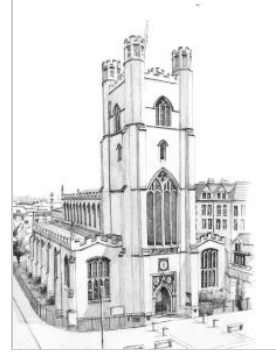


Great St Mary's eMag

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From the Vicar - Easter People

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

We were very blessed with our Triduum preacher, Revd Canon Professor Ben Quash, this year. Across the three services, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Day 10 am Eucharist, Ben introduced us to the venerable tradition of paying devotional attention to Jesus' body focusing, in turn, on seven of his body parts [1]. His sermons drew on 14 paintings, the one shown here, to reflect on Jesus' face, is by the British painter, the late Norman Adams, *Vision on the Road to Damascus*. The face at the bottom is that of St. Paul, who was known as Saul before his encounter with Jesus on the



Damascus Road. The face is flooded by light, and at further pondering, we see that the light reveals a face with a crown on its head and loving hands enveloping Saul's agonised face. The painting invites us into deeper reflection, as we connect with the anguished face and gradually recognise the face of Christ gazing at us, with compassion and love.

Many of us come to Easter exhausted at the end of a long winter and an intense university or school term. This year we have been living with a great deal of challenging news each day. We started our observance of Lent with the awareness that for many life means living in a form of wilderness. We were invited to turn to God, to trust and enable God to touch us deeply with God's grace and love, that we may be transformed and live more fully in the knowledge of Christ's presence and love with us.



However we are feeling, Easter happens, Christ is risen, Alleluia! Those of us who gathered very early on Easter Day, in the dark, for the vigil service and first Eucharist of Easter, had a very powerful, joyful sense of that. The fifty days of Easter that follow allow for this realisation, that Christ is risen, to connect more deeply with our own experiences of knowing and meeting the

risen Christ. Just as it took time for the first disciples to grasp that Christ was risen, I think, many of us, like Thomas, want to touch the wounds and look into the face of the risen Christ, until we discover that we have met him in each other, especially when we celebrate the Eucharist together, in the scriptures, in nature, in the arts, in prayer, silence, the depth of our hearts. And therefore, just as we make a point of observing Lent, we need to be intentional about observing Eastertide, living each day with the awareness that the risen Christ is among us.

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen.

Wishing you joy and peace,

Jutta

(Revd Canon Jutta Brueck)

NB. Ben's sermons on Good Friday and Easter Day are available on our Youtube channel. The paintings are in the orders of service for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Day, on our website, under the 'Lent and Easter' tab.

[1] Medieval Latin poem *Salve mundi salutare*, which inspired the hymn 'O sacred head, sore wounded'.

Photo: Easter Day Choral Eucharist at Great St. Mary's

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Worship Schedule

Weekend worship - see Term Card for details

Sunday 21 April

- **8am** BCP Holy Communion
- **10am** Choral Eucharist and Children's Church
- **5pm** Choral Evensong

Sunday 28 April

- **8am** BCP Holy Communion
- **10am** Choral Eucharist and Children's Church
- **5pm** Choral Evensong

Mid-week choral services

- Wednesday 17 April 5.15pm Choral Evensong
- Thursday 25 April 5.15pm Choral Evensong

Weekday Worship

- Monday—Friday 9am **Morning Prayer** in church and [Facebook](#) only
- Mondays 12.30 pm **Christian Meditation** *in Michaelhouse*
- Tuesdays 10.30am **The Ark**, a service of Holy Communion for children (*in Michaelhouse*) -
- Wednesdays 12.30pm **Holy Communion**
- Thursdays in Term 7.30pm **HeartsEase** (SCM student meeting) in Michaelhouse

Except for 8am, most services are also livestreamed and available on Facebook/YouTube

[April-May Term Card](#)



Choral Eucharist at Great St. Mary's 14 April



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News & Events



Notice of APCM

Sunday 12 May 2024 is an important day in the life of Great St Mary's, as it is the day when we hold our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The meeting will be held in the Michaelhouse Chancel at 11.30 am. The first part is the Vestry Meeting at which our Churchwardens are elected. Those eligible to vote are those on the Great St Mary's Electoral Roll and anyone who lives within our parish. The second part is the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which will be the opportunity to receive the Financial Report for the accounts for 2023 and the Budget for 2024, and to elect six members to the Parochial Church Council (PCC). The Annual Review of activities in 2023 will also be available and we will discuss plans for 2024. The calling notices will be published in the South Porch

and in Michaelhouse. Nomination papers will be available at coffee from Sunday 21 April or by emailing the PCC Secretary, Marion Cobby, at pccsec@gsm.cam.ac.uk. Any person being nominated for the post of PCC member must already be on the Electoral Roll (a copy of which will be displayed in Great St Mary's and at Michaelhouse from 28 April 2024).

Marion Cobby, PCC Secretary



NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Parish of ST MARY THE GREAT WITH ST MICHAEL, CAMBRIDGE

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in Michaelhouse, Trinity Street, Cambridge on the 12th day of May 2024 at 11.30 a.m.

For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows –

To the Deanery Synod: 0 representatives.

To the Parochial Church Council: 6 representatives.

For the appointment of the Independent Examiner or Auditor.

For the consideration of:

- (a) a report on changes to the Roll since the last annual parochial church meeting
- (b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of the Parochial Church Council and the activities of the parish generally;
- (c) the financial statements of the Council for the year ending 31st December 2023;
- (d) the annual report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church or churches of the parish;
- (e) a report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod; and
- (f) other matters of parochial or general Church interest.

In this Notice, 'parish' means an ecclesiastical parish.

Revd Canon Jutta Brueck

Vicar

Notes

1 Every lay person whose name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish (and no other person) is entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.

2 A person is qualified to be elected a parochial representative of the laity if –

(a) his or her name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish and, unless he or she is under 18, has been entered there for at least the preceding six months;

(b) he or she is an actual communicant (which means that he has received Communion according to the use of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England at least three times during the twelve months preceding the date of the election);

(c) he or she is at least 16; and

(d) he or she is not disqualified as referred to in paragraph 3 of these Notes.

3 (1) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a churchwarden or a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or a joint council if the person is disqualified from being a trustee of a charity (and the disqualification is not subject to a waiver which permits membership of a parochial church council, district church council or joint council).

(2) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006).

(3) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (with that expression being construed in accordance with [Rule 7.1\(2\)](#) of the Church Representation Rules).

(4) A person's disqualification under sub-paragraph (3) may be waived by the bishop of the diocese by giving the person notice in writing.

(5) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council if the person has been disqualified from holding office under section 10(5) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977.

4.3 A scheme is in operation in this parish which provides that any person entitled to vote in the elections of parochial representatives of the laity to the parochial church council or to the deanery synod or to both may apply on the appropriate form to the Minister of the parish (or other person signing below) for a postal vote. The completed form must be received before the commencement of the annual parochial church meeting.

Notes:

1 To be included in a year in which parochial representatives of the laity are to be elected to the Deanery Synod.

2 To be included in a year when a new Church Electoral Roll is prepared. Delete as applicable.

3 This paragraph should be deleted if no scheme for postal voting is in operation in the parish.

4 Or vice-chair of the parochial church council as the case may be (see [rule M19\(2\)](#) of the Church Representation Rules).

Vacancy - Associate Vicar



The Acting Bishop of Ely and the Vicar of Great St Mary's
seek to appoint an

Associate Vicar

for the University Church of St. Mary the Great with
St. Michael, Cambridge

Great St Mary's is a thriving, inclusive and outward looking church at the heart of Cambridge in a rapidly growing city and University.

We are looking for a collaborative priest with:

- Creativity and energy
- Pastoral gifts and compassion
- Theological and liturgical acumen
- Care for the formation of individuals and congregations

We offer:

- A visionary and supportive ministry and staff team
- Engaging, motivated and outward-looking congregations
- Opportunities for new mission developments

Informal enquiries welcome: please contact the Archdeacon.

*Please email for an application form and parish profile
to archdeacon.cambridge@elydiocese.org or see the Diocesan website:
www.elydiocese.org/about/news-jobs-and-events/job-vacancies/*

Closing date for applications: 26 April 2024

Interviews will be held on 23 May 2024

**Candidates for interview will be invited to visit Great St. Mary's on
22 May and stay overnight to meet the staff and congregation.**

The Diocese of Ely is committed to safer recruitment practices for people working or volunteering with children and adults and therefore this position is subject to an enhanced disclosure *from the DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service)*.

(The post is also subject to proof of right to live and work in the UK.)

We pray to be a generous and visible people of Jesus Christ.

Thu 18 Apr - Chat-Play-Sing

The toddler and baby group 'Chat-Play-Sing' meets every Thursday 10-12 in Michaelhouse. More information from dafyddrj@gsm.cam.ac.uk

Thu 18 Apr - Read, Mark, Learn

Beginning on 18 April, Read Mark Learn will reconvene virtually on Thursdays 5 to 6 pm to study the New Testament reading for the following Sunday's Sung Eucharist. During Eastertide we shall look at some of the key episodes in the growth of the early church in Acts, before moving on to Paul's letter to the Romans and his second letter to the Corinthians, which contain some of his most important and personal theological reflections. For more information, contact David Grumett davidg@gsm.cam.ac.uk.

The Zoom link is [here](#).

Meeting ID: 840 5256 2470

Passcode: 876406

Fri 19 Apr - Lunchtime Concert 1pm-2pm

Great St Mary's Lunchtime Concert series presents:



Sarah Lamont and Marion Caldwell

Reawakening - A spring programme of songs by female composers

Soprano Sarah Lamont (left)

Piano Marion Caldwell

Free entry, with donations.

Sat 20 Apr - Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast 9.00am starting with Communion in the Harvey de Stanton Chapel (Michaelhouse) and breakfast in the Montefiore Room.

All are welcome - you can just turn up. Please contact office@gsm.cam.ac.uk for more information.

Sat 20 Apr - Living in Love and Faith 9.30-12.00



Church of England 'Living in Love and Faith'

Course:

5 sessions on Christian teaching and learning about Identity, Sexuality, Relationships and

Marriage

Website: [Living in Love and Faith \(churchofengland.org\)](http://livinginloveandfaith.churchofengland.org)

Earlier in the year, the PCC asked us to offer the opportunity to learn about the teaching

and issues related to human identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage, which the Church of England has been discussing in General Synod in the last year. This resulted in the House of Bishops commending 'Prayers of Love and Faith' (PLF) for use in regular public worship or private prayer in December 2023.

We are offering 3 sessions on Saturdays (the first 2 meetings will cover two sessions of the LLF course materials):

20th April 9.30-12.00 11th May 9.30-12.00 18th May 9.30-11.00

They will be led by Revd Canon Jutta Brueck and Revd Alison Kennedy.

Please note the dates and register your interest or send any questions to

clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk



Sat 20 Apr - Michaelhouse Concert 1pm-2pm

Friends of Michaelhouse free concert in Michaelhouse

Gráinne Dignam (soprano)

Alex Berry (piano)

En Sourdine	Fauré
Lydia	Fauré
Beau Soir	Debussy
Ach Ich Fuhls	Mozart
Dove Sono	Mozart
Un moto di gioia me sento	Mozart
She's Like the Swallow	Trad. Folk Song
From Rosy Bowers	Purcell
Desire in Spring	Gurney
Tears	Gurney
Silent Noon	Vaughan Williams

Free entry, retiring collection in aid of

Michaelhouse Singers



Fri 26 Apr - Lunchtime Concert 1pm-2pm

Great St Mary's Lunchtime Concert series presents:



Alexander Miranthis (piano)

Schubert *Impromptus Op 90 Nos. 1 and 4*,
Miranthis *Theme and Variations in E Major*
Chopin *4 Preludes from Op 28*,
Chopin *Sonata No.3 in B minor Op 58*

Free entry, with donations.



Electoral Roll 2024



In accordance with Church Representation Rules, the Electoral Roll of the parish of St Mary the Great with St Michael's must be revised annually and then published for at least 14 days before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which this year has been fixed for Sunday 12

May. I am writing to let you know that the Notice of Proposed Revision was published on Sunday 31 March 2024. The process of revision, including the addition of new members, will continue from then until Saturday 27 April, and the newly revised list will be published on Sunday 28 April so that it can be checked by all concerned. Application forms for enrolment can be obtained from me or from the GSM office. If you are not sure whether you are already on the Roll, please feel free to email me on jmw1015@cam.ac.uk or catch me after a Service, and I will check for you. We welcome new members to the Electoral Roll as a measure of support for the work and ministry of GSM. It also entitles you to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May.

Joanna Womack, Electoral Roll Officer.

Pastoral Care



Pastoral Care

A message from Canon Jutta Brueck. If you would welcome the opportunity to have a confidential conversation please do not hesitate to email me on juttab@gsm.cam.ac.uk or

leave a message with the parish office on 01223 747273. Members of the clergy team are always glad to visit members of the church family in their homes, to talk about their faith, to pray with them (especially when they are ill), to be a listening ear, and a comfort in sorrow. Email Shirley ssh49@gsm.cam.ac.uk

Pastoral Care Group

A Pastoral Care Group has been set up to help oversee our pastoral work at GSM. They will support the clergy and visit parishioners as requested. The group at present are: Ruth Bridgen, Gordon Campbell and Margaret Johnston and Andrew Watson. You can speak to them or the clergy directly, or email Shirley ssh49@gsm.cam.ac.uk

In a pastoral emergency the phone number remains 01223 747277



Year's Mind

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Richard Storey	3 April
Peter Meadows	2 April
Roger Hall	7 April
Rt Revd Simon Barrington-Ward	11 April
Malcom Edward Boston	10 April
Dido Whitehead	17 April
Baby Olivia	18 April
Denise Inge	20 April
Margaret Campbell	29 April

Service



Wider Concerns - Easter envelope collections



Sadly, Ethiopia is back in the news with the humanitarian crisis deepening. “The conflict in Tigray has left more than 1 million people displaced. The combination of conflict and failed

harvests in northern Ethiopia have plunged over 3 million into a state of critical food security and hunger. Millions more people are in need, with women and young children in particular, severely affected.” (UK Government 5.2.2024). At Easter we are supporting the Partners for Change, Ethiopia (PfC) emergency appeal for funds to rebuild communities affected by the armed conflicts, especially to help build a better life for children and women, with so many displaced by the fighting. The need for funding is particularly pressing at this time of very high inflation. Their partners in Ethiopia, JeCCDO, have much experience of providing help in IDP camps.

Romsey Mill works with some of the most vulnerable young people and families in Cambridge and the wider area, drawing them into the wider community, and providing practical and emotional support, education, and activities, including for those with autism and young parents. They believe each individual has immense value and potential.



Wider Concerns brown envelopes will be in the pews during April. On-line donations can be [made here](#).

This is wonderful news indeed!



The Princess Basma Centre operates under the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. They are most grateful for the £1,800 raised at our Christmas Wider Concerns Envelope collection. They write: *We too can share good news that our teams in Jerusalem, the West Bank and remarkably in Gaza continue to work steadfastly even in the most trying of circumstances, bringing light and hope to Palestinian children with disabilities.*

This Eastertime, may we all carry light into the dark places of our world. “The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.” John 1:5

.....Blessed Easter Greetings to You All



Eco tip - please complete the survey

How are we doing as a congregation to reduce our carbon footprint? The GSM Environment Group invites you to take part in a survey to assess our lifestyles. We will publish the results and offer ideas as to how we can all help to reduce carbon emissions to tackle the climate crisis.

You will probably receive another prompt about this survey in a couple of week's time but your early response would be much appreciated. If you would rather complete the survey by hand, there will be paper copies available at the back of the church and at coffee time after the Sunday morning service. All responses are anonymous.

You can complete the survey [here](#). it will only take you 2-3 minutes. Thank you.

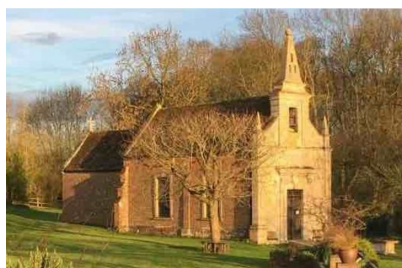


Coming soon.....

Christian Aid Week 2024 - advance notice.

This year Christian Aid Week is **12-18 May** and envelopes will be available in church for those who do not receive one through their door. However, it is also the time of year when we invite house groups and individuals to host coffee/tea parties for this good cause. I can supply you with information, collecting boxes, envelopes and even bunting! It is just a case of asking. Get-togethers can be held at any time during the month of May so long as all the money is submitted by the end of June.

Do contact me at lorna_atwell@hotmail.com if you would like further information or, better still, are offering to hold an event.



This year's Little Gidding Pilgrimage is on **Saturday 18 May**, and will be led by the Bishop of Norwich, the Rt Revd Graham Usher. You can find out more [information here](#). If anyone wants more information or wishes to share a lift, contact Pauline Davison at paulinedavison637@gmail.com

All Things Bright and Beautiful - the GSM Gardening Club

Tuesday **21 May** 2 pm Guided tour of Murray Edwards College Gardens,

Tuesday **11 June** 10 am Guided visit to Homerton College Gardens

Saturday **15 June** 2-4 pm Open Garden and Plant Sale at 3, Adams Road, Cambridge

If you would like to go on either of the college garden tours, or help in any way at the open garden, (plants to sell and help on the day - greatly appreciated)

Please contact: Juliet Jackson: juliet@jmci.org or David Bridges: db347@cam.ac.uk



Elsewhere.....

Introducing our Bishop's Officer for Homelessness



My name is Kristian and I am really excited to have been appointed as the new Bishop's Officer for Homelessness. I was born and raised in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and first came to Cambridge in 2010 to study. In recent years I have returned to the city to serve a curacy at The Church of the Good Shepherd. I have loved being involved in community outreach and support initiatives in Arbury.

I am passionate about working with others to demonstrate the love of God to all and enabling and equipping communities to be rooted more and more in the values of God's Kingdom: mercy, justice and peace. In my free-time, I enjoy playing tennis, walking and running, and learning and speaking new languages. I am married to Laura, who is also from Newcastle, and we are expecting our first child in the summer. I am really looking forward to meeting all CCHP's guests, volunteers, partners and friends, to listen and learn from your invaluable experiences.

Thank you for your welcome and prayers.



You are welcome to all or any of the series of talks on Inclusive Theology at St Paul's Church, Hills Road, Cambridge.



St Paul's



Inclusive Theology

...an opportunity to look at things differently

6pm, St Paul's Church

1 hour, including Q & A, followed by refreshments

- 28th April** **Queer Theology**
Rev'd Dr Charlie Bell
- 12th May** **Black Theology**
Rev'd Dr Carlton Turner
- 19th May** **Trauma Theology**
Dr Karen O'Donnell
- 26th May** **Disability Theology**
Dr Rachel Holdforth
- 2nd June** **Feminist Theology**
Hannah Fytche

All are welcome!



To register: <https://forms.gle/eGo8ey2szoBVeuv36>,
use the QR code, contact us via:
inclusive.theology.series@gmail.com
...or just turn up!



You are invited by No.104 (City of Cambridge) Squadron of the RAF Air Cadets to a Parade on Thursday 18 April at 6.30pm in the Market Square, Cambridge, to mark the 85th

anniversary of the formation of the Squadron in 1939.



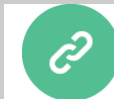
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