



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

## The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Alleluia - Christ is Risen!  
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### Services Today

**9.30 am** Said Mass with Childrens' Church  
**11.00 am** Sung Mass  
**Hymns:** **124: Responsorial Psalm 116: 120/S.23: 118: 121**

#### *Chorus*

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.  
There is a longing in our hearts for love, we only find in your, our God

### 685 Easter 3 (The Third Sunday of Easter)

**Introit** O be joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluia;  
sing praises unto the honour of his Name, alleluia: make his praise to be  
exceeding glorious, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Psalm** Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works, O Lord:  
through the greatness of thy power. Glory be...

**Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia. ☐. The disciples knew the Lord Jesus: in the  
breaking of the bread. Alleluia. ☐. Ought not Christ to have suffered  
these things: and to have entered into his glory? Alleluia.

**Offertory** Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord:  
Yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing my praises unto my God,  
alleluia.

**Communion** Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?  
Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee, alleluia.

## **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.

## **First Reading - Acts Ch2 v 14a 36-41**

14 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.

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

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

38 Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptised, 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.

39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call.'

40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' 41 Those who accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

## **Responsorial Psalm 116: 'I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living'**

## **Second Reading - 1 Peter Ch1 v 17-23**

17 Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. 18 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 20 He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. 21 Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. 23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

## Gospel - Luke Ch24 v 13-35

13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16 but they were kept from recognising him. 17 He asked them, 'What are you discussing together as you walk along?'

They stood still, their faces downcast. 18 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?' 19 '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. 20 The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; 21 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. 22 In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning 23 but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. 24 Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.' 25 He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

28 As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. 29 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. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 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?' 33 They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together 34 and saying, 'It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' 35 Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke 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.

### **Please remember in your prayers**

Fr John & Carol Luff, Willa Owen, Jill Stephenson, David and  
Barbara Streek, Wendy Clamp, Mandy Le Tissier, Margaret Boden Heaume,  
Lindsay Gallagher, Barbara Renouf, Peter Le Page and Helen Sheppard

We also remember in our prayers for Aileen, Father Joe, Erin and James and the  
family and friends of Margaret Morris (Aileens Mother), who died recently

## NOTICES

**Monday to Friday 8.00am - Morning Prayer**  
**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 11.00am - Said Mass**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 10.00am**

**Coffee and Chat in Church  
& Toddler Group**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
EASTER 4**

**9.30am** Said Mass with Children's Church  
**11.00am** Sung Mass  
Bake Sale

**St Stephen's Church**  
**GUERNSEY BACH CHOIR AND**  
**ORCHESTRA**  
**SATURDAY 25TH APRIL 2026 8.00PM**

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**Conductor ALAN GOUGH MBE**

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**CONCERT**

Motets by Palestrina, Tallis and Tchaikovsky

Orchestral Suite No 4 in D	J S Bach
Sinfonia 'Al Santo Sepolchro'	Vivaldi
Sinfonia in D Op18 No 4	J C Bach
Movts. From Symphony No 94 "Surprise"	Haydn
Veni Sancte Spiritus K 47	W A Mozart

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**May Magazine**

**A note from the Editor!**

Please could I have any copy for this  
Magazine by

**Friday 24th April**

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person or emailed to  
[nikkiattwooll@gmail.com](mailto:nikkiattwooll@gmail.com)

Please join us for refreshments  
*After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!*  
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