

## Notices

### Services across the Team next week – 2<sup>nd</sup> May

9.30am	St Peter's	Family Service
9.30am	St James	Parish Communion
11.15	Enmore Green	Family Service
11.15am	Margaret Marsh	Matins
6.00pm	Motcombe	Evening Communion

**Churches Together Shaftesbury Pentecost Service** will be held at Shaftesbury Abbey on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 4pm. Because of Covid-19 restrictions there will be no wet weather alternative. Everyone is asked to please respect Covid-19 guidance and also bring their own chairs. The service is suitable for ALL ages (children will be especially welcome but there is uneven ground for older people to be aware of)

**The Team Office** is open to visitors again but ONLY during office hours and please wear a face covering. We do ask that nobody enters the office at any other time so that we maintain a safe environment. Many thanks.

**Team Office is open Monday – Friday 9.00am - 12.00 noon**  
**Tel:** 853060 **Email:** office@shaftesburycofe.org.uk  
**Items for the Team Pew Sheet** should be emailed to the Team Office  
by 12 noon on Thursday



## Team Pew Sheet Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Readings

*Acts 4.5-12*    *1 John 3.16-24*    *John 10.11-18*  
*Psalm 23*

### Collect:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Post Communion:

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**For the sick:** for those in our Team parishes; for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them, and for the staff and patients of the Westminster Hospital.

**For those who have died.**

**For our community.**

**For the world:** For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Syria, Turkey, Iraq, and the Middle East for peace and concern for all people.

**For our link diocese of Lui** in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. For their Bishop, Stephen and all who are part of God's church in that place.

### **First Reading – Acts 4.5-12**

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

“the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone.”

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

### **Second Reading - 1 John 3.16-24**

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

### **Gospel – John 10.11-18**

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

