

THE PARISH CHURCH
OF ST. MARY AND
ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
HAMPTON IN ARDEN



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**Welcome to Our Bulletin for
The Parish Church of Hampton-in-Arden
Week commencing: Sunday 11th April 2021
2nd Sunday in Easter**

Welcome back to services in church. Our 10am service on a Thursday will recommence on the 15th April. Please check the church website for updates and additional information. www.hamptoninardenchurch.org.uk

We will however, still be live-streaming Sunday services and providing a pre-recorded service for those who are unable to come to church in person.

You can use the following link to join the live-streamed services at 8.15 am on Sundays

Meeting ID: 796 7286 9465 Passcode: 5nLGGE

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/79672869465?pwd=c0JOTkdIRm5ITjhpc2R1N2grZU14QT09>

The 11 am Sunday live-streamed service for the 11th April can be accessed on the following link.

<https://youtu.be/XaNSKiwpeJU>

Due to holidays, there will be no pre-recorded service for the 11th April.



HRH The Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh 10th June 1921- 9th April 2021



It is with deep sadness we have heard of the death of His Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. Our deepest sympathy goes out to her Royal Highness her Majesty the Queen at the loss of her loving husband Prince Philip; he was a constant support and encouragement to her.

We as a nation also mourn his passing as he was a servant not just to her Majesty but to our country the United Kingdom and Commonwealth of Nations.

The church will be open for people to come and pay their respects, and to be still and give thanks for his life and to sign the book of condolence.

There will be a service at 11am in St Mary and St Bartholomew Hampton in Arden this Sunday with special prayers for the Duke of Edinburgh, her Majesty the Queen and Royal Family.

Reverend Stuart Dimes
Vicar Hampton in Arden and Bickenhill and priest in charge Barston

We are delighted to see you all today. Our services will however be held under strict Covid restrictions. Once you are shown to a seat you must remain in the seat for the duration of the service other than when you are directed by a steward to take communion or to leave via the North door when the service finishes. You must not gather at the door or stop to chat with others either inside or outside of the church. You must not do the things you would normally do after a service, such as tidying up etc. Face masks must be worn, sanitiser will be supplied by the doors, but we ask that you bring sanitiser with you also. There will be no toilet facilities available. Whilst we will be so very glad to see you, we must have these rules in order that our stewards can ensure your safety. As you can appreciate, your co-operation will help them enormously. There is however no pressure to come to church, the services will be live-streamed for you to watch from home if you prefer.

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place on the 21st April, in church but also live-streamed. If you normally provide a report, it is understood that it may not be possible this year, but we still need reports for anything that has been ongoing, e.g. Finance, Buildings, Churchyard, Church Wardens, Electoral Roll etc. please. If I could have these as soon as possible please, at the latest the 14th April. Thank you. Chris Cluley

THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS: We pray for the world, for our politicians and for our Royal family, thinking especially of our Queen and her children following the death of Prince Philip. We pray for the victims of war torn Yemen. For those affected by the drought in Taiwan. For an end to the conflict in the Ukraine. We pray for those asylum seekers suffering in camps in South Soudan. For those who are threatened with famine in North Korea. We pray for peace in the streets of Belfast For the families of those still dying of Covid19. For those worried about taking the Astra Zeneca vaccine and for those concerned about venturing out of their homes after so long inside. We pray for those whose mental health has deteriorated over the last year that they may find renewed strength. We give thanks for the success of our vaccine programme, for the gradual return to normality, for the appreciation of family, friends and the natural world we have gained because of the pandemic.

We pray for those who are unwell: We pray for those who are sick and known to us, namely, Philip Russell, Chris Fellows, Alan Briscoe, Angela Jones, David Mort, Paul Robert Thomas, Tony Worthington, John Barton, Margaret, Ann Hall, Carole Orford, Heather Bird, Moira Kyle, Brian and Roz Ellender, together with those who are on our Prayer Board.

We pray for those who have died: We especially remember all who are recently departed, thinking of their families and friends at this sad time. We remember today all who mourn the loss of loved ones, those whose anniversaries of death are at this time and all whom we love but see no more.

COLLECT: Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

ALTERNATIVE COLLECT: 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**

Hymns for Today

1. 181 Good Christians
2. 309 Lord enthroned
3. 474 The day of resurrection
4. 469 - Thanks for the fellowship
5. 1 BOB Halleluia Hosanna to finish

Acts 4.32-35 ³² Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³ With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵ They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

John 20.19-end ¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' ²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸ Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe^[d] that Jesus is the Messiah,^[e] the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Readings for Sunday 18th April, 2021. 3rd in Easter
Acts 3.12-19, Luke 24.36b-48



You kindly donated 39.65kg of food to Kingfisher Foodbank on 4th April. Many thanks.

Government research conclusively shows that, even prior to the pandemic, one in twelve of all households in the UK were experiencing low or very low levels of food security.

As you know, hunger and destitution continue to rise in the UK, with the devastating effects being felt by more and more families every day.

Millions of families are worrying whether their food will run out before they get money to buy more, can't afford balanced meals, skip meals or are forced to eat less than they should because there isn't enough money for food.

Your support has been invaluable in helping many of these people.

Thank you again.

C. James

*Volunteer Coordinator
On behalf of Kingfisher Foodbank*