

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

All services will run as normal during Rev Seamus's absence, but please direct all administrative needs to the office and all pastoral needs to the Readers and Fr Kevin for this period (20 April - 1 May).

Café & Mini Market - Sunday 3 May 11.15am-2pm: All offers of help most welcome - there are sign-up sheets in church. Also a call for any donations of items you may have to donate; books, bric-a-brac, nearly new items etc would be much appreciated, thank you!

Concert 'Vivaldi's Trumpets' at St John's – Friday 8 May 7.30pm: a programme full of energy and colour - see poster & notice in church or April Inspire p.13 for full programme details. Tickets available from www.breathe-music.co.uk/concerts or from Mandy Crook.

Board Game and Pizza Party - Wednesday 13 May at 7pm: For those new to St John's and looking to make contacts and socialise, please join us for a night of free pizza and board games in the Bennett Centre Cloisters. Please be aware that the vicar is always the Monopoly dog!

Annual meetings - Sunday 17 May at 11.30am: The Annual Meeting of Parishioners (to elect the two Churchwardens) and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held in Church. The APCM is a chance to discuss the accounts and annual report for 2025. There will also be elections to two Deanery Synod places and to several vacancies on the PCC. Please see Angela Pater (Secretary), or a Churchwarden for an informal chat if you are interested.

Electoral Roll: Everyone who is baptised and either lives in the parish or is a member of our congregation can apply to be on the Electoral Roll, which is our electorate for elections for members of the Parochial Church Council. If you are a regular at St John's you are encouraged to be on the Electoral Roll. See Neil McCormick if you are interested.

Well Dressing May 2026: Please let Alison Henderson know if you would like to help in decorating the display boards this year.

Fair Frome Foodbank: There are collection points in most supermarkets. All help gratefully received – thank you!

THE PARISH OF FROME, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, BA11 1PL

SUNDAY 26 APRIL 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY SERVICES

Saturday
5pm Vigil Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Sunday
8.45am Online Service
contact admin for code
10.00am Choral Eucharist

4pm 4th @ 4pm
'The Good Shepherd'

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday
8.45am Morning Prayer
in the Ken Chapel

Friday
12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Confessions, Sacrament of the Sick and Pastoral Conversations are by appointment. Please contact Rev. Seamus to arrange.

Mon 27 6.30pm St John's Women's Group outing
Tues 28 11am Julian Meeting
Thurs 30 2pm-4pm Craft & Conversation
7pm 'Isaiah' Study Group

May

Sat 2 9am United Prayer
Sun 3 11.15am-2pm Café & Mini Market
Thurs 7 7pm 'Isaiah' Study Group
Fri 8 7.30pm Concert - Vivaldi Trumpets
Tues 12 12.30pm Eucharist; St Pancras
Wed 13 7pm Board Games & Pizza - Bennett Centre Cloisters

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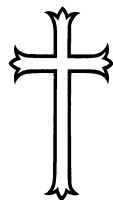
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Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A)



FIRST READING: Acts 2.42-end

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2.19-end

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING: John 10.1-10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**