

**Readings for 11th April,  
The Second Sunday of Easter:**  
*Psalm 133, Acts 4:32-35; John 20:19-end.*  
**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.**

**Next Sunday's readings, 18th April:**  
**The Third Sunday of Easter:**  
*Psalm 4, Acts 3:12-19; Luke 24:36b-48.*

#### **Verse for the week**

*'Jesus came and stood among them  
and said, 'Peace be with you.''*  
 (John 20:19)

#### **St Aidan's Verse for 2021**

*'My grace is sufficient for you,  
for my power is made perfect in weakness.'*  
 (2 Corinthians 12:9)

#### **Two Vacancies at St Aidan's**

Keith Bevell will be stepping down from two roles this year, as Treasurer, and Hall Bookings Secretary. If you are interested in finding out more about either of these roles, please speak to Keith or Gordon or one of the wardens. Thank-you.

**Right Reverend Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani** will become the **next Bishop of Chelmsford** on **19th April**, but will not move until the summer. In early September it is hoped to hold a public Welcome and Installation service for Bishop Guli in the Cathedral. Do pray for her as she prepares for the many challenges we face as a diocese.

**St Aidan's 2021 Text Cards** are available at the back of church.

Have you had a COVID vaccination? Would you consider making a donation to help others in poorer countries have a vaccine too? Two special appeals do this, Christian Aid and UNICEF (see their web-sites for details.)

**Thank you** to all who decorated the church so wonderfully for Easter.

*Lord of the earthquake and empty tomb,  
whose love is stronger than death,  
transfigure the hopeless journeys and dead ends of our lives  
with the promise of a new beginning,  
for the sake of all who greet this  
Easter dawn,  
which is for the whole world.  
Amen*

**In our intercessions, we are asked to remember those in need:**

Lucy and Katharine Watts, Julie Shute, Margaret Taylor, Tony Usher, Tony Mabbatt, Stuart Greenway, Callum Turner, Linda Chambers, Kim Herd, Elaine Turner, Lynee Wells, June Hipworth, John and Brenda Mangion, Violet Doyle, Dennis and Jean Pogose, Audrey Pegrum, Lee Jackson, Robert Saint, Anmarie Ayoub, Tammy Bartlett, Helen Bartlett, Muriel Hill, Lydia Petitt, Karen Kelidi, Eunice Walker, George and Hilda Pipes, Cara Japon, Christine Robinson, Pam Hyett, Peter Main and all those affected by the coronavirus.



**We also remember those recently departed:**

Michael Hays, Shirley Danbrook.

**and those whose anniversaries occur this week:**

Ivo Robbins, Kenneth Meyer, Marjorie Thorogood, Don Burton, Eric Brown, Leslie Thompson, Jessie Surridge.

**We also remember those living in residential care or who are housebound or shielding and less able to get to Church:** Joyce Rippin, Dennis and Jean Jones, John Jones, Betty Burton, Pat Welch, Margaret Brooks, Dot Bartlett, Joyce Edghill.