

Readings for 25th April,

The Fourth Sunday of Easter:

Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23; John 10:11-18.

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 for ever. Amen.

Next Sunday's readings, 2nd May:

The Fifth Sunday of Easter:

Acts 8:26-end; Psalm 22:25-end;

John 15:1-8.

Verse for the week

'Jesus said,

I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life
for the sheep.'

(John 10:11)

St Aidan's Verse for 2021

'My grace is sufficient for you,
for my power is made perfect in weakness.'

(2 Corinthians 12:9)

Do pray for **Right Reverend Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani**, our new **Bishop of Chelmsford**. In early September it is hoped to hold a public Welcome and Installation service for Bishop Guli in the Cathedral.

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.)

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, Gordon, Elaine or Karen. Thank-you.

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

Lord God,
through these months of lockdown,
you have shown us many things:
the fragility of our lives,
our dependence on others and
how special Christian community is.
Help us in the time to come
to work out these lessons
with humility and grace,
as we find new and traditional ways
to worship together and make known
both the beauty and the strength of
our belonging to you,
and to each other. 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, David Thomas, Ann Dick and all those affected by the coronavirus.



We also remember those recently departed:

Shirley Danbrook
and HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

and those whose anniversaries occur this week:

Jackie Poskitt, Harry Webb, Anne Horsburgh, John Ives, Jean Lancaster, Lilian Noyce.

We also remember those living in residential care or who are housebound 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.