Readings for 4th April, Easter Day:

Acts 10:34-43; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8.

Collect: Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

Next Sunday's readings, 11th April: The Second Sunday of Easter: Psalm 133, Acts 4:32-35; John 20:19-end.

Verse for the week

'He said to them,
'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for
Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified.
He has been raised; he is not here.''
(Mark 16:6)

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 at this year's APCM, 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.)

Faithful God,

this pandemic has shaken us all, and there has been so much loss: loss of life, loss of confidence, loss of well-being and even loss of faith. But, Lord, this pandemic did not shake you.

Help us to listen to what you are saying to us, to be ready to live life differently, and to be open to reimagine what you would have us do, because nothing is lost that is under your care. 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, Shirley
Danbrook and all those affected by the
coronavirus.

We also remember those recently departed: Alan Walker, Michael Hays.

and those whose anniversaries occur this week: Annie Osborne, Ronald Hems, Mildred Stafford, Raymond Frost, Kathleen Knatt, Leonard Briggs, David Evans, Ernest Osborne, Kenneth Seabrook, Donald Matthews.

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.