

**This Week** we pray for:

All those who are currently involved in lambing, the sleepless nights, the care and tenderness given at each birth.

We pray for all those lambing, give them strength and determination to keep going at this busy time.

Be with them in the lonely watches of the night.

Be with them when they struggle with difficult births.

Give them joy at the new life they bring into the world.

Let them like you be good shepherds to their flock.

We thank you for the gift of new life safely brought into this world.

We thank you for farmers across Exmoor, their legacy of land management and culture. Amen

Pew News

A Community enriched with
Christian Faith, Worship and
Values

**The sick and those in need of our prayers**

Vi Cook, Charles Stone, Paul Haslem, Roger Barnes, Percy and Margaret Buckingham plus all people affected by COVID19 isolating themselves and all those who mourn. Merciful Father hear our prayer and comfort and support those whom we pray for.

Those who have died:

All those who have died in service to others in the NHS and caring professions and those who have died as a result of this pandemic. Let us remember all those whose anniversary of their death falls at this time.

ONLINE SERVICES 9.30 a.m. from All Saints Church Dulverton or on catch up on You Tube

Sunday service weekly at:

All Saints 9.30 a.m.

St Nicholas Brushford 11.00 a.m.

St Mary's Brompton Regis 11.00a.m.

Skilgate : Sunday service times vary

Upton: open for private prayer

Withiel Florey 3rd Sunday of the month

For the sights and sounds of the early morning countryside

For the trout stream coloured by the rising sun

The woodland's stillness broken by a pheasant's call

The hillside echoing to a barking stag

The cry of the gull as it follows the plough

For the sounds and sensations and the emotions they evoke

Father we thank and praise you

| | Sunday 2 May Easter 5 - White | Sunday 9 May Easter 6 - White |
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| Dulverton | 9.30 Eucharist MC | 9.30 Eucharist Rev'd Ann Fulton UBS Thurs 13 May 6.30 Ascension Day Eucharist MC |
| Brushford | 11.00 Eucharist Rev'd John Thorogood | 11.00 Eucharist MC |
| Brompton Regis | 11.00 Comm by Extn JR | 11.00 Eucharist Rev'd Barry Priory |
| Skilgate | 9.30 Eucharist Rev'd John Thorogood | 11.00 Matins IT |
| Upton | No Service | No Service |
| Withiel Florey | No Service | No Service |
| Eucharist Service Readings | Acts 8.26-40 John 15.1-8 | Acts 10.44-48 John 15.9-17 Ascension Day Readings Acts 1.1-11 Luke 24.44-53 |

DULVERTON APCM

The Dulverton APCM meeting for the Church Community will be on **Monday 26th April** (COVID restrictions at that time will apply) This will be the time when we will confirm: Church Wardens, Verger, PCC members, Sides Persons, Coffee Rota persons, and all those who help and support our Church. If you are interested in being a volunteer for any of these posts, please make yourself known to the Parish Office. Your help and support will be greatly appreciated. I am sure that the more of us there are, the lighter the work will be.

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ZOOM

Topic: All Saints Church APCM

Time: Apr 26, 2021 03:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81756281349?pwd=eGQza0IzU1I5WStrTERFUUx3eWpJZz09>

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Meeting ID: 817 5628 1349

Passcode: 411134

Lonely, worried or just need to talk? Contact 01398323028 (Parish office) or 01398 323016 (Steve Ford) Church Warden) or 01398 324211 (Rev Martin Collett Curate) or Denise (trained counsellor on 01398 323703 or leave a message someone will be in touch.



Collect for 4th Sunday of EASTER

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.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 23 | The Lord is my shepherd; ♦ therefore can I lack nothing. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures ♦.

FIRST READING : Acts 4:5-12

5 The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, 6 with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. 7 When they had made the prisoners* stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, 10 let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. 11 This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." 12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

Gospel Reading: John 10:11-18

11 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. 17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

Old Testament Reading : Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18

7:1 Then the Lord said to Noah, 'Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. 2 Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; 3 and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. 4 For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.' 5 And Noah did all that the Lord had commanded him. 11 In the six-hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. 12 The rain fell on the earth for forty days and forty nights. 13 On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons, entered the ark, 14 they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind—every bird, every winged creature. 15 They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. 16 And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the Lord shut him in. 17 The flood continued for forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. 18 The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

8:6 At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made 7 and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. 8 Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground. 9 but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. 10 He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; 11 and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. 12 Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him anymore. 13 In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. 14 In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. 15 Then God said to Noah, 16 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. 17 Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' 18 So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives.