



BROMLEY AND SHEPPARD'S COLLEGES WEEKLY HERALD



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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY



“My soul is full of longing for the secret of the sea, and the heart of the great ocean sends a thrilling pulse through me.”
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Weekly diary

When	Service	President	Reader	Intercessor
Sun 18 April	10am	Valerie Pearce Preacher Richard Handforth	Rob Pearson	Brandy Pearson

We pray for those worshipping in newly opened churches, online at home and outside.

Chaplain's notes

Mediation

There has been a little ambiguity in the invitation to speak to Ruth Adams, Mediator. She has now given her telephone number to circulate to all of you to make communication direct and easy. She invites you to call her for a conversation.

Chaplain away

I am off site with my bucket and spade from 12 April to 25 April inclusive.

Grounds

Continue to pray for Jane and Paul as they gradually come back to us and thank you to all collegians for rallying round with compassion and practical help.

Once loved books recycling

£215 has been realised so far in April!

Please continue to give books to Dorothy Nicholson in flat 17 – the proceeds from these are really mounting up.

We suggest every library has a “Dorothy box” to weed out those that might be enjoyed by someone else!

Rest in Peace



Chapel

The Chapel floor will be ready by Ascension Day (13 May). The Worship Advisory Group (WAG) will meet before then to discuss how we safely return to the Chapel.

Birthday Celebration

There will be drinks and nibbles on the Old Quad lawn on Monday 19th April at midday to celebrate Richard Handforth's 90th birthday.

Birthday card to sign

Richard's birthday card is now in the Board Room, please pop in to sign it. Thank you.

Easter tide: new life, new creation! Chaplain

Lockdown easing roadmap

Pray for the data on which the easing depends! Full guidelines on <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Step 2 From 12 April

Hair cuts, pedicures, gym, pubs, restaurants and cafes with gardens, domestic holidays, outside attractions, libraries and community centres etc.

Step 3 From 17 May

Rule of 6 indoors: pubs, restaurants, home entertainment. Cinemas and theatres can reopen, accommodation for holidays.

Restricted Chapel opening with risk assessment

Step 4 From 21 June

Larger events, night clubs, no legal limit on social numbers. Chapel can open completely if all is well!



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

SCRIPTURE

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

1 John 1:1-2.2

Psalm 133

John 20:19-end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**



Prayer list

Anglican Cycle	The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
Rochester cycle	Cobham deanery The Rev Canon Alyson Davie, Area Dean; Miss Pauline Foster, Lay Chair
College	Christine and Michael Lumgair
Community	SPCK CMS/SAMS USPG Crosslinks and Church Army
Collegians moved away	David and Diane Cossar, Pam Dawson, Frank and Yvonne Gough, Sarah Grove, John and Joyce Ilson, Charles Potter, Mary Watts, and Ken Hewitt
Those who are sick or have asked us to pray	Jenny Balmer, Matthew Coxen, June Dakin, Ron Emmett, Charlotte Gould, John Harris, Peter Hemming, Geoffrey Howard, Margaret Mankey, Nigel McDougall, Paul and Jane Merrick, Aaron Roddan, Vic Shaw, Anne Townsend, Dominic Tye, Jo Walton, Liz Whiting and Julian White
Years Mind Anniversary	Dora Burgess and Victor Harper
Those who have died	Pat Heatley (pray for widower Gordon and Janet and Cecil)

Please ask for copy of complete prayer booklet. Please let Jo or the Chaplain know when to take someone off the prayer list.