



# CHURCH AT HOME

## Issue 42: April 3rd 2021

Welcome, brothers and sisters to the Forty Second edition of "Church at Home".

The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him." Now I have told you.'

Matthew 28:5-7

Follow the guidance, encourage each other, pray and stay safe.

Rev Clive

## Church Noticeboard

### Easter Quiz



Meeting ID: 839 6471 4700

Passcode: quiz

### Mission Reps

Are you passionate about mission? If you are, then we are looking for mission representatives for Beryl Baker and CRiBS. The mission reps will sit on our Mission Outreach Group (MOG) which meets approximately 4 times a year and co-ordinates our mission partners, responds to emergency appeals, advocates for mission in the church and decides on mission spending at St Paul's

### Communion Linen

Are you able to get wine stains out of white linen? We need someone to wash our communion fabrics on a regular basis. Mostly the small napkins but approximately once a month the table cloth as well. Contact Clive or Lauraine for more details.

**Nature and the Environment - our mental health - Thursday**  
**13 May, 6pm – 7pm**

During Mental Health Week, the Diocese of Canterbury's Environment Group invite you to join this session on how nature helps with our mental health.

Guest speakers include Dr Caroline Jessel - NHS England Lead for the South Regional Sustainability and Health Network and Stevie Rice - CEO of West Kent Mind.

Register here - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-and-the-environment-part-of-mental-health-awareness-week-tickets>

**Zoom service login.**

Use the following to access our online services

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86786281546?pwd=OWRtVC9BcXBka21nalpPROViSFZKUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 8628 1546

Passcode: Paul

**On the Move**

We will be sad to see long time St Paul's members, Elizabeth Williams and Sue & Tim Luff move away from North Heath. The Luff's moved on the 19<sup>th</sup> and Elizabeth will be moving on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. We will be having an online goodbye to them via zoom on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm. If you have any photos of them from their time with us please send them to Clive. Zoom details below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83967422510?pwd=d1FicExlUXFTVFMvRHlxK1hDcG43dz09>

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Passcode: goodbye

# This week's prayer

Be with us, Lord, in all our prayers,  
and direct our way toward the attainment of salvation,  
that among the changes and chances of this mortal life,  
we may always be defended by your gracious help,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## Prayer

**There are many who still need our prayers.**

**Those who have asked for our prayers are:** Ann Easter, Ann Batchelor (Reader at St Martin's), Andrew Bennett, Charles Brooke, Ron and Joan Handy. For Marjorie and Eileen Hoare, Monica Lindridge, Christine Meaton and Christine Minns. For Carol & John O'Connor, John Ralph and Amanda Ralph. For Jane & George Stafford. For Karen Vaughan (Cameo), Jeanette Watts and Mark Williams.



**St Paul's Preschool**  
A Church of England Preschool – Est 1976  
Ofsted - Good Provider  
£5 per hour\* (local government 15 & 30 hour grants available)  
Places available\*

For more details or to organise a visit  
**Phone 07752 776226**  
St Paul's Church Hall  
Mill Road  
North Heath  
Erith  
DA8 1HN

 Diocese of Rochester

\*Correct at time of printing



## What you're up to. – Pictures and messages



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Can you recognise these two who celebrated their 50th Anniversary on 27th March?



Carol O'Connor

This is me wearing a pendant and holding a leather key fob with the emblem of the college where I trained to become a specialist teacher of Speech and Drama. They were sent to me by an alumni member of my year. The design is a Phoenix.



Esme, Monica, Bob and Henry Lindridge

We have waited 5 months to see our Grandchildren Esme and Henry. Here we are off to Greenwich Park.



Elaine Fermer  
The photo is of a tree I planted.



Linda Mayes Granddaughters, Drew & Robyn  
Visiting on Good Friday



Alan Brockwell  
Daffs at Greenwich

**Please send me your pictures and messages to each other. Let's encourage each other and stay in touch. It will be good to see familiar faces each week. [revclive@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:revclive@hotmail.co.uk)** 5



# Ministry @Home



Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021



**These resources are to help equip & enable worship together as "family". They are intentionally intergenerational to allow space, conversation, activity & response together as the family of God. We encourage all ages to be participative & open, being responsive to God and each other.**

## Gather.....

- As you gather find a place that is comfortable and have the resources ready for the activities, prayer or response times ready.
- Choose 3 members to light the 3 candles (engage all ages)

### Opening words of praise with lighting of 3 candles -

I will light a light  
in the name of the Maker,  
who lit the world  
and gave everything life.

I will light a light  
in the name of the Son,  
who saved the world  
and stretched out his hand to me.

I will light a light  
in the name of the Spirit,  
who is present everywhere in the  
world  
and gives me strength.

**Together:**  
**We will light three lights**  
**for the trinity of love:**  
**God above us,**  
**God beside us,**  
**God beneath us;**  
**The beginning,**  
**The end**  
**and the Everlasting one.**

## Welcome.....

**Say together:        Hallelujah, He is risen**  
**He is risen indeed, Hallelujah.**

**Song:                He is The Lord & He Reigns on High**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kA8OrTj8hI>  
**(can be sung or listened to)**

**Reflection time:** Hide items that represent Easter i.e., Eggs=new life, white cloth=grace & resurrection, cross=victory, pebble=the tomb, toy lamb= Jesus the lamb of God. Send people off to find the hidden items, once back together ask, what is the connection?

**Bible passage: Read Together John 20.1-18**  
AND/OR WATCH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rTzfAcJkQRA> until  
2.08mins

When Mary finds that the stone has been removed from the tomb she jumps to conclusions. She thinks that someone has entered and stolen the body. But in our reading it does not tell us if she entered or even looked in the tomb.

Did she really know that the body of Jesus was not there?

How often do we jump to conclusions about God's actions in our lives?

Mary is questioning & wondering "Where has my Lord gone?" When Jesus speaks to her she instantly recognises him, Jesus called Mary specifically by her name. As we celebrate Easter let us instantly recognise Jesus in our lives, let him call us by name and let him reveal himself to us and work in our lives.

## Interactive Learning .....

### Coloured Cross

Draw a cross outline using white glue on paper (looks better on dark colours) and while the glue is wet cover it with salt. Gently tip off the excess. Then colour the salt by gently dabbing dilute water colours over the salt. Food colouring works too. Watch carefully as the colour spreads throughout the salt, transforming the edges of the cross.



### Easter & Hallelujah Rocks

Collect smooth rocks or pebbles and paint an Easter Scene, or something that reminds you of Jesus' amazing love through his sacrifice for us. You could also try using tissue paper to create bright Hallelujah rocks to give away to share Jesus' love around your community.



**Whilst creating chat about the following questions & Share stories**

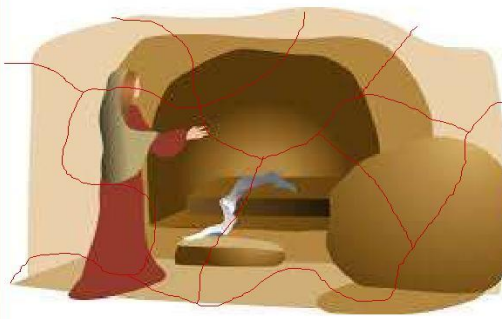
**I wonder how Jesus' presence is recognised today..**

**I wonder which part of the story you think is the most important.....**

**I wonder what impact Jesus' sacrifice has made to our lives....**

### Jigsaw Puzzle

Print the picture below and cut along the red lines, as the picture is placed back together share together how you think Mary felt as she saw the tomb was open and Jesus' body gone.



### Resurrection Rolls

Recipe can be found here with questions to share together as you make and bake.  
<https://equippinggodlywomen.com/homemaking/resurrection-rolls>



### Family Messy Eggs

Hard-boiled Easter eggs can be dyed in assorted Easter colours. Everyone must stand at least 3 feet away from each other and toss the eggs back and forth. Anyone who drops an egg is out. Intensity may be added to this game by using raw eggs as a surprise. Players can step back away from each other during every turn. The person left standing at the end of the game, who has not dropped a single egg, is the winner.

## Reflection & Prayer Time.....

**Song:** We bow Down & Confess  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b-mPpWUA1oE>  
(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)

**The Jellybean Prayer can be included here**

[My Homeschool Tale: The Jellybean Prayer for Easter](#)

**A Prayer Meditation can be used here**  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iU1o8n89\\_gU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iU1o8n89_gU)

Encourage members to read silently or aloud their prayers. Other prayers can be said at this time, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**



## Celebration....

**If any of your members celebrate a birthday within the next week – sing -**

Happy birthday to you  
To Jesus be true  
May God's richest blessings  
Be showered on you.



## Closing.....

**The Grace (with "Messy" actions)**

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all,  
now and evermore. Amen.**

## Closing Responses.....

**Song:** Lord I Lift Your Name on High  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c12Ta6\\_WJrw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c12Ta6_WJrw)  
(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)

From where we are  
to where you need us.

**Jesus, now lead on!**

From the security of what we know  
to the adventure of what you reveal.


**Jesus, now lead on!**

To make this world  
look more like your kingdom,

**Jesus, now lead on!**

**Ask different members to blow out the candles.....until you meet again**

## Extra Ideas

- Build a  model of your favourite part of the Easter story
- Easter using the five senses  
<http://ohamanda.com/a-sense-of-the-resurrection-an-easter-experience-for-families/>
- Easter Activities & Games for children  
<https://biblegamescentral.com/easter-games-and-activities-for-kids/>
- [Another Day in the Ministry: Easter Object Lesson](#)





## What kind of follower?

Today we're delighted to announce the launch of What kind of follower? It's a reflective, easy-to-follow study guide to inspire every believer to have honest conversations about walking with Jesus. It looks at the main challenges we face as we try and live as followers of Jesus in this generation, and is accompanied by short films, covering different aspects of our journey as His disciples:

1. The invite
2. The community
3. The cost
4. Restoration

WKOF? is aimed at anybody who is trying to follow Jesus and wants to think and go deeper

## Remember and share Jesus this Easter

At the Evangelical Alliance, we love this time of year when we approach Holy Week and the celebration of our resurrected king on Easter Sunday. We have a couple of ways to help you make the most of this season:

Will you join us for [Remember Him](#)? It's a week-long series of reflections following Jesus' journey from Palm Sunday to Easter, all about remembering, taking action and sharing Jesus with others. Members can exclusively access the short booklet to use, and the reflections will be fully available throughout the week as they are shared on our social media channels.

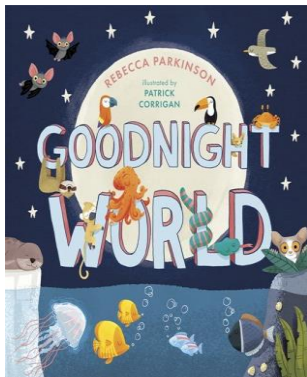
I hope and pray that these resources will help build your faith and make Jesus known, in this Easter season and beyond.

Every blessing,

Gavin Calver  
CEO, Evangelical Alliance

## Books

This week's book suggestions come from [www.eden.co.uk](http://www.eden.co.uk)



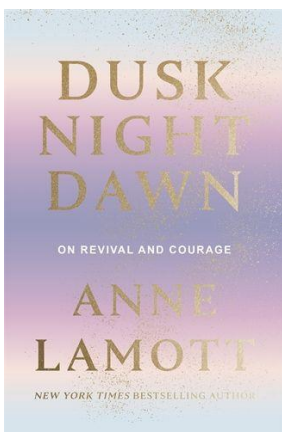
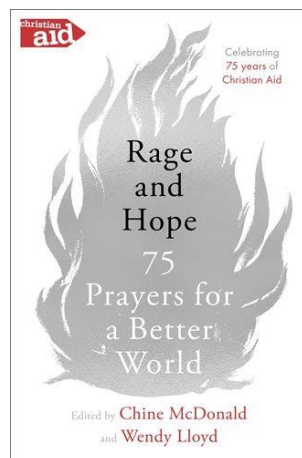
### Goodnight World by Rebecca Parkinson

From the rainforest to the grasslands and the desert to the oceans, *Goodnight World* by Rebecca Parkinson takes you on a journey around the world to say goodnight to all the animals as they settle down for sleep. This is the perfect bedtime story book for kids aged 3-5, filled with delightful full-colour illustrations that bring the pages to life. Complete with meerkats, toucans, zebras and more.

### Rage and Hope by Chine McDonald (ed) & Wendy Lloyd (ed)

Commemorating 75 years of Christian Aid, this is a prayer book like no other. Full of defiance and determination, it is an invitation to join Christian Aid and followers of Jesus around the world in a united chorus of *Rage and Hope*.

Bringing together voices from different contexts and cultures around the world, this is a collection of prayers of lament for the injustices of the world, and prayers of hope for the world we want to see.

























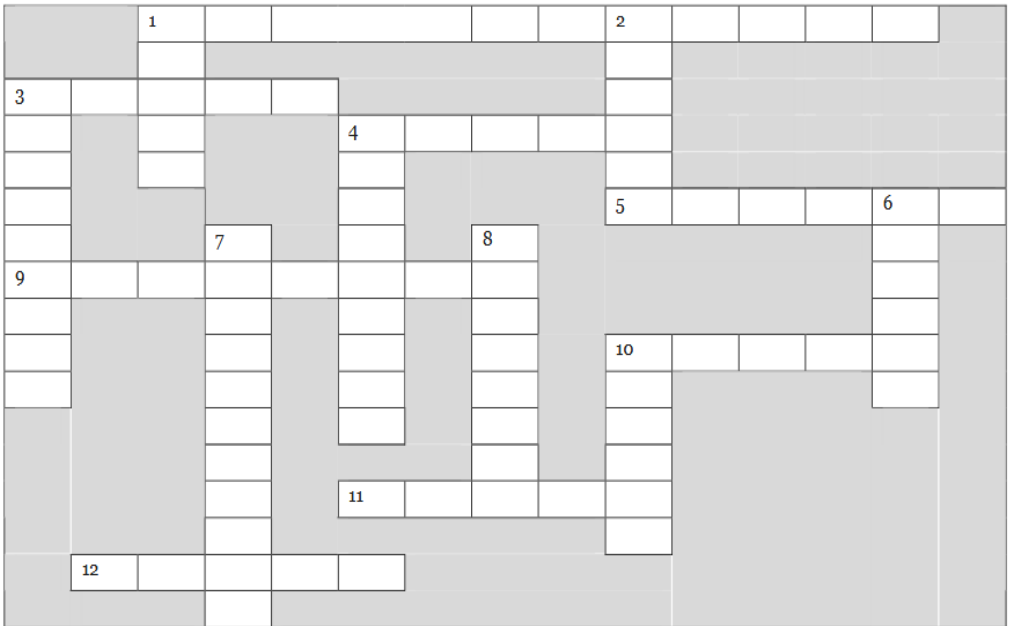
### Dusk Night Dawn by Anne Lamott

How do we get through dark times when we feel like giving in to fear and despair, and when existential dread has convinced us of our smallness? In this real, resonant book, Anne Lamott uses her own recent marriage as a framework to explore how our lives can be enlarged through renewed commitment to ourselves and those around us. With warmth and wit, she looks at what it means to care for the soul when struggling with fear and dread and to emerge with exuberance, purpose and possibility.

# Official UK Christian & Gospel Albums Chart

## Top 20

Pos	LW	Title, Artist	Peak Pos	W.o.C
1	1	 <b>THE SEARCH</b> NF NF REAL MUSIC	1	87
2	2	 <b>BELIEVE</b> ANDREA BOCELLI DECCA	1	19
3	3	 <b>JESUS IS KING</b> KANYE WEST EMI	1	74
4	4	 <b>VITAL SIGNS</b> SKILLET WARNER BROS	2	303
5	5	 <b>MANSION</b> NF CCMG	1	189
6	6	 <b>LOOK UP CHILD</b> LAUREN DAIGLE CENTRICITY MUSIC	1	43
7	7	 <b>THERE IS MORE</b> HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	1	155
8	8	 <b>AWAKE</b> HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	2	368
				
9	9	 <b>UNLEASHED</b> SKILLET ROADRUNNER	1	242
10	New	 <b>ALONE WITH MY FAITH</b> HARRY CONNICK JR UCJ	10	1
11	10 ↓	 <b>AWAKE</b> HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	2	75
12	13 ↑	 <b>JUST BE HELD - CASTING CROWNS FAVORITES</b> CASTING CROWNS REUNION	12	55
13	14 ↑	 <b>VICTORY - LIVE</b> BETHEL MUSIC BETHEL MUSIC	1	99
14	15 ↑	 <b>PEOPLE - LIVE</b> HILLSONG UNITED HILLSONG MUSIC	1	60
15	Re	 <b>AMAZING GRACE</b> ARETHA FRANKLIN ATLANTIC	3	18
16	12 ↓	 <b>THE ESSENTIAL KIRK FRANKLIN</b> KIRK FRANKLIN VERITY	10	30
17	Re	 <b>RE//CHOIRED</b> HOUSE GOSPEL CHOIR ISLAND	4	12
18	17 ↓	 <b>NF</b> NF CCMG	9	49
19	20 ↑	 <b>VICTORIOUS</b> SKILLET WARNER RECORDS	3	83
20	Re	 <b>GRAVES INTO GARDENS - LIVE</b> ELEVATION WORSHIP ELEVATION WORSHIP	2	41



**Across**

1. Jesus rising from the dead is called the:
3. The Son of God
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ sings the Alleluia
5. The place to which Jesus ascended
9. Chant or song meaning "Praise God"
10. Book that tells the story of Jesus
11. Number of days before Jesus rose from the dead
12. Jesus was nailed to a \_\_\_\_\_

**Down**

1. "He is \_\_\_\_\_."
2. Building for prayer and services
3. The city where Jesus was crucified
4. The bread and wine, at church
6. The holiday celebrating Jesus' ascension
7. Easter is a \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ
8. The Jewish feast celebrated during the Last Supper
10. Faith

1. Who makes the most expensive jeweled eggs?
2. In the Dr. Seuss books, what color eggs doesn't Sam like
- 3e. What do you call a female rabbit?
4. Purple is a common color for Easter. In the ancient world where did the purple dye come from?
5. What does the word Lent mean?
6. In some European Countries they squirt this on passers by to wish them a Happy Easter. What do they squirt on them?
7. What is the origin of the word Easter?
8. How did Easter Island get its name?
9. Which country had an armed uprising which started on Easter Sunday, 1916?.
10. When did the White House lawn first start the Easter Egg Hunt that is still carried on today?



# Easter Word Search

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 THREE DAYS  
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# Poets Corner

How do I know that Christ is risen?  
What proof have I to give?  
He touched my life one blessed day,  
And I began to live.

How do I know that endless life  
He gained that day for me?  
His life within is proof enough  
Of immortality.

How do I know He left the tomb  
That Easter long ago?  
I met Him just this morning, and  
My life is all aglow.

How do I know that Christ still lives  
Rich blessings to impart  
I know it's true because He lives  
And reigns within my heart.

By Eugene M. Harrison  
(Selected by Carol O'Connor)

I serve Caesar! I am loyal, rigorously trained, stronger than chains that bind our prisoners and proud to be a Roman. Not like these poor, pitiful Jews that scurry about these dusty streets like dogs, whimpering every time I pass on my powerful horse, as if I would ever bother with them at all. I am assigned only to serve Pontius Pilate, Governor of Judea.

The newest Prisoner must be extremely important – arrested in the night and already sent to the Praetorian.

Make haste, my steed! Whoa – Who is this? Beaten bloody beyond recognition – like fresh meat dripping at the butcher's stall – He is a Jew, but why before Pilate?

I slapped His face for impudence – but – O, His eyes – Others plucked His beard – I – I – could not – but I spit upon Him in utter contempt. O – but, His eyes were deep pools of sorrow. I pressed a royal robe upon His raw shoulders, but there was no anger in His eyes.

All the tortured way to the place of the skull He never spoke, groaned yes, but never complained under the agony of the Cross. The jeering crowd mocked, cursed and reviled Him.

I choked on the dust, wiped horror from my face, clutched my raging belly.

I held the nails – the hammer blows struck – one – two – three. He spoke from the Cross – guttural words, piercing words, of the Father, Thirst, and Forgiveness. O, His eyes – His eyes locked with mine –

Now, I serve the Crucified Christ!

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I am loyal, rigorously forgiven, stronger than the chains which bound my soul and humbled to be a follower of this Jew.

# Thank you

**To all those who give regularly towards the mission and ministry of St Paul's**

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## **Quiz answers**

**Crossword Answers: Across: 1. Resurrection; 3. Jesus; 4. Choir; 5. Heaven; 9. Alleluia; 10. Bible; 11. Three; 12. Cross. Down: 1. Risen; 2. Church; 3. Jerusalem; 4. Communion; 6. Easter; 7. Celebration; 8. Passover; 10. Belief;**

**Easter Trivia Quiz Answers: 1. Carl Faberge; 2. Green eggs (and ham); 3. A doe; 4. Crushed shells from the Mediterranean Sea; 5. Lengthening of Days; 6. Perfume; 7. Eostre is an ancient goddess of dawn; 8. It was discovered on Easter Sunday in 1772; 9. Ireland; 10. 1878 under Rutherford B. Hayes**

