

St Hilda, Warley Woods

Easter 3, Sunday 1st May

Hymns, prayers and readings to be used alongside the service booklet and this week's notices.

During the distribution of Holy Communion Prayer ministry will be available in the St Katherine's chapel.

*First Hymn: Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
Number 233 in Common Praise*

Collect

One: Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh
hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Many: Amen

First Reading: Acts 9:1-29

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any

who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' ⁵ He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' ⁷ The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one.

Gradual Hymn: Light of the minds that know him
Number 501 in Common Praise

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they

told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Offertory Hymn: Will you come and follow me
Number 622 in Common Praise

Closing Hymn: Lord you call us to your service

Lord, you call us to your service,
each in our own way.
Some to caring, loving, healing;
some to preach, or pray;
some to work with quiet learning,
truth discerning,
day by day.

Life for us is always changing
in the work we share.
Christian love adds new dimensions
to the way we care.
For we know that you could lead us,
as you need us,
anywhere.

Seeing life from your perspective
makes your challenge plain,
as your heart is grieving over
those who live in pain.

Teach us how, by our compassion,
you may fashion
hope again.

Lord, we set our human limits
on the work we do.
Send us your directing Spirit,
pour your power through,
that we may be free in living and
in giving
all for you.

Words by Majorie Dobson

NEWS AND NOTICES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

This week's flowers are the gift of John Barber.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Wednesday 4 th May 10am:	Holy Communion
Sunday 8 th May 10:30am:	Family Service
Wednesday 15 th May 10am:	Holy Communion
Sunday 15 th May 10:30am	Holy Communion

HOME WORSHIP

Home worship will now be produced monthly, on the third Sunday of the month. The pewsheet will be available on our website and our

church near you page. If you require a printed one to be posted to you please contact Jenni.

LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH COURSE: STARTING THURSDAY 5th MAY 7:30PM AT ST BONIFACE QUINTON

The LLF course is an excellent opportunity to discuss human relationships, identity and sexuality in a safe space. The course is designed to enable honest reflection and discussion around our own experience, theology and the church. It is not about trying to change anyone's mind; it's about better understanding each other and, where there are disagreements, being able to remain respectful and peaceful. We hope the course will help each of us to gain confidence to talk about these areas and enrich our own understanding of the diversity of the church. It includes listening to people's stories through national video resources that have been made and discussions together.

Although the formal consultation time has finished these are important areas of life for us to explore so we welcome anyone who would like to join us. If you have any questions about the course please don't hesitate to contact myself or Rev'd Dele. Jenni Crewes, co-facilitator of the course. Meeting dates; 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th May, 2nd June, all at 7:30pm at St Boniface Quinton.

SUGGESTION BOX

A request was made to the PCC for the church to have a suggestion box. This has now been provided and it can be found, along with a pen and paper, on the table next to the kitchen where the parish magazines and marmalade are kept. All suggestions will be taken to the PCC and will be treated in confidence. You do not need to put your name if you do not wish.

FOODBANK

Smethwick Foodbank is in need of donations of non perishable food items and toiletries. You can drop these off at Global on Abbey Road or through your local neighbourhood collections. You can also give online through this link

<https://localgiving.org/charity/smethwickcan/project/smethwickfoodbank/>

DONATIONS TO UKRAINE – CHRISTIAN AID

If you'd like to give to help to the Ukraine you can do so through Christian Aid by following this link

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal/>



Quiztian Aid Quiz

St. Hilda's Church Hall

Abbey Road, Smethwick

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Saturday 21 May 2022

Doors open 7pm

(starts at 7.30 PROMPT)

Teams of 6 max, £12/team

Bring your own refreshments

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