

Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

New Testament Reading

Acts 3.12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he

had decided to release him. ¹⁴ But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷ 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

Gospel Reading

Luke 24.36b-48

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' ³⁷ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at

my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴ Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To have someone prayed for or remembered please contact the Benefice Office.

A new list will start the first Sunday of each month.

ST JOHN

Those in need of prayer:
John Crowe, John Bruton

Those who have died:
Robert Fellows, James Fellows

Post Communion

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Rowan Hawksworth's grandmother, Mary Holt, whom some of you may remember, died peacefully this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with all her family.

The United Benefice of St Michael on Greenhill, Lichfield with St John, Wall

**SERVICE DETAILS
Sunday 14th April
Third Sunday of Easter**

ST MICHAEL

8:00am Holy Communion
President: Revd Ruth Bull

10:00am Holy Communion
President: Revd Stephen Barton
Deacon: Alan Toplis

Hymns
Processional 227
Gradual 489
Offertory 621
Communion 413
Recessional 218

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ST JOHN

10:00am Holy Communion
President: Revd Linda Collins

Hymns
Processional 309
Gradual 255
Offertory 413
Recessional 28

ST MICHAEL

Golden Wedding:
Judith and Richard Henshaw

Those newly in need of prayer:
Robert McAllester Jones,

Those in continuing special need of prayer:
Pete Bate, Marie Beresford, Dan Barry Peter Boggis, Ashleigh Lewis Burgess, Dottie Collins, Rod Cooper, Marcus Davies-Friend, Chris Dickerson, James Fellows, Margaret Frean, Robert Harris, Robyn Harrison-Cooper, Mary Jarvis, Alison Knight, Robert Manle, Sheila Marson, Martel family, Mary Maund, Andrew Morley, Norah Palin, David Rock, Nick Rutter, Peter Salt, Winifred Thompson, Alison Toplis, Shirley Trelfa, Sheila Vaughan

Those who have died:
Jimmy Brunsdon, Robert Fellows, James Fellows, Roy Hollinshead, Mary Holt