

St George



St Nicholas

Norton parish pew sheet



Easter 3
19th April 2026 9:30am



HYMNS (NEH)

Entrance 443
Offertory 362
Communion 63
Final 124

Rejoice the Lord is King
Glorious things of thee are spoken
All ye who seek a comfort sure
Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

First Reading

Acts 2:36-41

Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?'

They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the

third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Our Readings for next week (Easter 4) are:

Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 2:19-25; Luke 10:1-10

We welcome Karen Williams as our peacher

This week



St Georges Day Service Thursday 23rd April at 7.30pm



On Thursday 23rd April at 7.30pm,
St George's Church will host our
Patronal Festival in celebration of
St George's Day.

We warmly invite everyone to join us for a Service of Holy Communion.

We are especially pleased to welcome the Revd Tristan Chapman, Team Rector of Chipping Barnet, who will be our guest preacher for the occasion.

Next week

Tea and coffee will be served after the 9.30am service on **Sunday 26th April** in the Parish Hall.



Foodbank needs

Thank you to everyone who regularly supports the local foodbank. As well as the usual household needs the Foodbank currently has particular need of the following items:

Jam	Sponge puddings
Long life fruit juice	Deodorant (Male & female)
Tinned meat /vegetables	Tinned potatoes
Tinned rice / custard	Pasta sauce
Tea & small jars of coffee	Toothpaste
Shower gel	Toilet rolls
Shampoo	
Long life milk UHT (not plant milk)	
Carrier bags / bags for life	

Please note that we are unable to take out-of-date food.

Daily Bible Reading booklets



It's a great idea to read our bibles daily and Bible reading notes help us understand what we read.

The **NEW May - July UCB 'Word for Today'** bible reading booklets are available at the back of the church.

The **30 day 'Word for Today Just for You'** booklet which is more for those interested in or new to faith. Both are free, so please help yourself.

The **Bible Reading Fellowship daily reading** booklets can be ordered, at a small cost, through Martin and Christine Walker. (martinwalker1951@gmail.com).

Electoral Roll - Check Today

The PCC is revising the Electoral Roll before the APCM.

If your name is not on the current Electoral Roll and you would like it to go on please see Tracey Nicholls for an application form to fill in.

This can be done from 29th March until **19th April. (today)**

If your name is already on the Electoral Roll but your details have changed please let Tracey know so she can amend it.

Our APCM

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting is on **Sunday 10th May** after the 9.30am service in the Parish Hall. At this meeting we will be voting for people to become PCC members and for people to go on the Deanery Synod. If you are on the electoral roll you are entitled to stand for these positions. There are nomination forms at the back of the church. Please give them to Susan Taylor or one of the church wardens before the meeting.

The church accounts and the reviewed Electoral Roll will be presented, along with a report from the vicar, church wardens, deanery and the secretary.

We do hope you will attend this meeting as we celebrate what God is doing in our Parish.

Monthly Prayer meeting - 29th April

The monthly prayer meeting will be on **Wednesday 29th April** at 7pm in the Lady Chapel at St George's Church. We will be thinking about the victory and joy of Easter, linked to the colour white. Do join us as we pray for our church, our locality and our world.



Gardening club

A Gardening Club is being started to meet on the first Thursday of every month until October. We will meet at St George's to carry out regular gardening, weeding, pruning, planting and general maintenance of the green spaces around the church and Parish Centre.

Anyone is welcome to come and join us from 10:30-12:00. Please see the Churchwardens for more details.

Sunday Wardens wanted

I am sure you have noticed the small group of people who work around St George's on a Sunday morning getting the service ready and stewarding for Communion. These are the Sunday wardens. They arrive early and put the lights on, set up the sound system and do various other activities to make sure everyone is safe and the service goes smoothly. This noble group could do with a few more volunteers so if you feel you could help then please speak to Keith Taylor, Neil Greateorex or Ros Pratt for more information. Full training is given so it soon becomes an easy role to fulfill.

Future Events

Save the dates!

Friday 1st May Barn Dance
In the Church Hall 7 - 10pm

A poster for a 'Family Barn Dance' event. The text on the poster reads: 'Parish of Norton PCC & social committee invite you to a Family Barn Dance Friday 1st May 7pm - 10pm Norton Parish Centre, SG6 1DA'. It features a ticket graphic that says 'Adults £10 under 16 £5', a circular icon with a fork and knife that says 'includes a ploughman's supper, tea and coffee', and a section for tickets: 'Tickets: must be purchased in advance, limited to 100 people! Email office@parishofnorton.org.uk or purchase tickets in person after morning church services'. At the bottom, it says 'You are welcome to bring your own drinks if you prefer.' and shows an illustration of a man and a woman dancing in a barn setting with a ladder and hay.

Includes a Ploughman's Supper. Adults £10.00, under 16s £5.00
If you have anything that would be appropriate for a raffle prize, please see Vicky Cameron.
This is a fundraising event organised by the PCC.

Saturday 6th June Afternoon Tea

Further details for this Social Committee event will be provided closer to the date.

Regular services and events during the week

Monday:

7:30pm Housegroup 29A Eastern Way

Tuesday:

9:00am Zoom Morning prayer (see Karen for link)

10:00am Housegroup 29A Eastern Way

8:00pm Zoom Housegroup - 1st & 3rd of the month (see Keith for link)

Wednesday:

8:45am Zoom Morning prayer (see Karen for link) [Note different time]

10:00am Said Communion in the Lady Chapel

10:00 - 11:30am Norton Coffee Shop in the Clulow Room

10:00am Health Walk (Grade 1) meets at St George's Car park

700pm Prayer meeting - last of the month in the Clulow Room

Thursday:

9:00am Zoom Morning prayer (see Karen for link)

1:30pm— 2.45pm Norton Nippers (under-4's children's group)
in the Parish Hall

Sunday:

8:00am Said Communion at St Nicholas

9:30am Holy Communion at St Georges

11:00am Altogether service at St Georges - 2nd of the month

5:30pm Choral Evensong at St Georges - 2nd of the month

Kids' activities (all in the Parish Hall)

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the month : 9:15am Little Dragons (4-11yrs old)

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the month : 9:30am Dragonflies (0-3/4 yrs old)

4th Sunday of the month: 9:15am Dragons (0-11 yrs old)

with coffee from 10:30am

Parish contacts:

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Rev Eugene will be away from Tuesday 21st April to Thursday 23rd April, he is attending a residential training course.

Please submit notices by Wednesday for inclusion in the next pew sheet.