

PARISH OF HAWLEY

27 April 2025—Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our services today

Friends of Hawley Churchyard

A Working Party meets on the first Saturday of each month from 9 am to 12 noon. Come and join us **this Saturday** (May 3rd) – feel free to do as much or as little as you like, or assist with providing refreshments.

Keble College Corporate Communion

Sunday 11th May 2025 at 5.30pm

Preacher: Fr Fergus Butler-Gallie (author, journalist and speaker)

Keble College, Oxford, as Patrons of Hawley Parish, invite us to a Sung Eucharist in Chapel sung by the renowned Keble Choir, followed by a prosecco reception and curry supper – a “suggested donation” of £10 (cash) towards the cost would be welcomed on the day. Please let Pauline Scott know no later than **next Sunday** (May 4th) if you’d like to attend, together with any dietary requirements.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The sick and infirm:

June Anderton, Margaret Coles, Janet Dadson, Ian Hasbey, Leah James, Jerold Lee, Janet Murton, Dave Powers, Pat Rorison, Christina & Geoff, Graham, Kate, Kirk & Karen, Mac, Mike, Sue, Tony

and the needs of

our Roman Catholic brothers & sisters

The recently departed:

His Holiness Pope Francis

Anniversary of death:

Fred Bacon, Gladys Booker, Colin Fox, Howard Jane, Susan King, Joyce Pearse

THIS WEEK

• All events at Holy Trinity—*unless shown otherwise* •
Weekday Readings: Week 2 of Easter

Wednesday

6.30 pm: Mass (6.00: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R: *Alleluia*.

Thursday

11.00 am: Bible Study Group

Friday

St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the
[Church]

11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R: *The just man's mouth utters wisdom.*

2 – 4 pm: Tea at Two—*All Saints Hall*

2.30 pm: Holy Communion—*Camberley Woods*

Next Sunday—Third Sunday of Easter

9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*

11.00 am: Sung Mass

Hawley Anglican Men's Society

The next HAMS event is an away day to London on Wednesday, May 14th. Meet at Farnborough Main Station at 09:15. Partners are welcome to join us. More information from Derek Bangs.

Trinity Fair and Open Day: Saturday 14th June

Please put this date in your diaries now!

There are boxes at the back of both churches for any donations for this day. If you can help on the day please don't be shy about coming forward!

‘Tea at Two’

We meet every Friday from 2 – 4 pm in All Saints Hall. Come and join us for great cake, tea/coffee and conversation. We look forward to seeing you!

Weekly news sheet

Please send any items for inclusion on the sheet to Fr William by the end of Wednesday each week.

Living the Word

John 20: 19 – 31

On the day of his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene. In the evening of that same day, the Gospel explains, he came and stood among the disciples. Thomas was absent, however, and so Jesus comes again eight days later. The Resurrection appearances of the Lord do not end with Thomas; at the end of today's Gospel we read that there were many other signs Jesus brought about. With great care, Jesus comes to each group, one after the other, to strengthen their faith and fill them with His peace. Each receives what they need to believe in Him: for Mary it was to hear her name spoken; for Thomas it was to touch Christ's wounds; for Paul it would be a life-changing encounter on the road. Jesus's actions show us that each one of us is precious in God's eyes.

Elements of the Mass: The Asperges

The aspergilium refers to the brush which is dipped in the holy water bucket so that the holy water can be sprinkled. The aspergilium can be used as part of the Penitential Rite at the beginning of Mass. This is called the Asperges when the celebrant sprinkles the people with holy water to remind them of their baptism and that their sins are forgiven. During Eastertide the aspergilium is used for the ceremony called Vidi Aquam. The baptismal water blessed at the Easter Vigil is sprinkled over the congregation to remind them that, in the book of Revelation, the prophet sees water flowing from the right side of the Temple, just as water flowed from the right side of Christ on the Cross. By the water of baptism, we are all saved.

Sunday 27th April 2025
2nd Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 20: 19 – end



Eight days after the Risen Lord had appeared to the Twelve minus Thomas, Thomas was blessed to experience what he had longed to see for himself. But Jesus assures him that even more blessed shall be those who have not seen and yet believe. This spiritual virtue of believing without seeing speaks of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives. When the Risen Christ appears to his Apostles he breathes on them the sanctifying gift of the Holy Spirit and says: 'Peace be with you'. The Apostles are filled with the Spirit and His gifts. Among these is the gift to forgive sins in the name of Jesus. God's Divine Mercy dispels the curse of sin and death and through the ministry of reconciliation in the Church we are set free. His Spirit comes into our lives, we are made new, and receive the opportunity to start again. Even though we were dead, we are now alive in Christ Jesus for ever.