

PARISH OF HAWLEY

19 April 2026—Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our services today

Mothers' Union & HAMS joint meeting

Hawley Anglican Men's Society will be joining with the MU for their meeting tomorrow (20th), at 7 pm in Trinity Hall. Mike Pengelly will be giving us a talk on "Detecting the Past". This meeting is open to all.

Trinity Weekend: 30th/31st May

We will be celebrating the Feast of Title of our parish on the weekend of Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st May. There are boxes for any donations for the Bottle Stall and Raffle at the back of both churches. (N.B. No used electrical goods, please.)

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The sick and infirm: June Anderton, Yanthy Clerk, Janet Dadson, John Darcy, Peter Gardner, Ian McRea, Paul Moore, Janet Murton, Darren Neve, Roy & Jackie Phillips, Dave Powers, Mike Reed, Pat Rorison, Shirley Whiteley, Jack & Rosemary, Jill, John, Kirk & Karen, Mark, Pete, Phil
and the needs of the peoples of the Middle East

Anniversary of death: Dorothy Batkin, Gerald Brown, Elizabeth Dimmick, Lillian Long, Jackie Parry, Bryan Reed, Anne Watts, Ben Willis, Adrien Youell, Graeme Young

THIS WEEK

• All events at Holy Trinity—*unless shown otherwise* •
Weekday Readings: Week 3 of Easter

Monday

7.00 pm: MU/HAMS joint meeting—*Trinity Hall*

Wednesday

6.30 pm: Mass (6.00: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.*

Thursday **St George, Martyr, Patron of England**

11.00 am: Bible Study group

Friday

11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News.*

N.B. No Tea at Two this week

Next Sunday—**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*
11.00 am: Sung Mass

'Tea at Two' cancelled

Please note that 'Tea at Two' will not meet this week. It will resume at the usual time next week.

Electoral Roll revision

Any new Electoral Roll application forms are due back to Barbara Blanchard now please.

Weekly news sheet

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

I Peter 1.17-21

It is sometimes difficult for us to live our lives fully as God wants us to. But we must realise that if we are planning to clothe ourselves with God's protection, we need to conduct ourselves as if we are constantly waiting for Him to return. As Peter reminds us, we must constantly keep our eyes fixed on the Lord, knowing that our faith and hope are linked to His Incarnation, to His Death on the Cross, and to His Resurrection. Let us pray that we are always given the strength to live our lives as God would want us to. And may the rest of humanity hear His Good News with open ears and open hearts.

Liturgical colours: white

White is the colour of heaven. It is used to celebrate the feasts of the Lord, the great seasons of the Lord, and the witness of the saints. Not that you will always see white in church, because if something more splendid, such as gold, is available, then that can and should be used instead. After all, it is a celebration of the richness of our faith.

In the earliest centuries, all vestments where white – the white of baptismal purity and of the robes worn by the armies of the redeemed in the Apocalypse, washed white in the blood of the Lamb. As the Church grew secure enough to be able to plan her liturgy, she began to use colour so that our sense of sight could deepen our experience of the mysteries of salvation, just as incense recruits our sense of smell and music our hearing. Over the centuries various schemes were worked out, and it was not until the 19th century that they were harmonised into their present form. For that, we give thanks.

Sunday 19th April 2026 Third Sunday of Easter Gospel: Luke 24: 13 – 35



The encounter of Jesus with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus shows the transforming power of the presence of the Risen Lord.

St Luke informs us that this involved Jesus explaining to them the Scriptures concerning himself, beginning with Moses and the prophets. After the event, the disciples realised that their hearts 'burned within them'. Our hearts can have the same experience.

Each time we gather for worship, and especially when we celebrate the Eucharist together, we should first pray that the Risen Lord will open our hearts and minds to His living presence among us – through His Word and through His Sacraments.