

PARISH OF HAWLEY

4–5 April 2026

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Welcome to our celebration
on this most holy Feast of Feasts

Thank you!

Many thanks to all who helped with the preparation and delivery of our worship, or who helped decorate our churches or donated toward the cost of flowers, so as to enable us fittingly to celebrate this great and holy season.

Electoral Roll revision

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

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, with our Fair and Open Day on the Saturday and Hymns of Praise on Sunday afternoon. Put these dates in your diaries now!

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Those preparing for Holy Matrimony:

William Davies & Kirsty Taylor-Yeomans

The sick and infirm:

June Anderton,
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:

John Higginson,
Lily Hulcoop, Fr Ernest Skublics

THIS WEEK

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

Wednesday

6.30 pm: Mass (6.00: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)

Psalm R: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

7.00 pm: Wedding rehearsal

Thursday

11.00 am: Bible Study group

Friday

11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)

Psalm R: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

2–4 pm: Tea at Two—*All Saints Hall*

Saturday

1.00 pm: Wedding of William Davies & Kirsty
Taylor-Yeomans

Next Sunday—Second Sunday of Easter

9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*

11.00 am: Sung Mass

‘Together’

The Easter issue of ‘Together’, the regular free paper of the C of E’s Catholic societies, is available in both of our churches.

‘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.

Acts 10: 34 – 43

We hear Peter tell the story of Luke's Gospel again and here Luke is making clear, through Peter's speech, that healing is essentially a spiritual matter. As Peter goes on, he tells us that the message delivered by Christ, although initially delivered to the Jews, and then the Apostles, is universal in nature, and one with meaning for every single person. Suddenly the House of Israel is not the sole guardian of the mysteries of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. The Christian story becomes the story of the whole world, and the preaching of the Apostles makes it simple for people to follow Christ, should they wish to do so. The Risen Lord has done so much of the work. Let us complete it by walking the path he has laid for us.

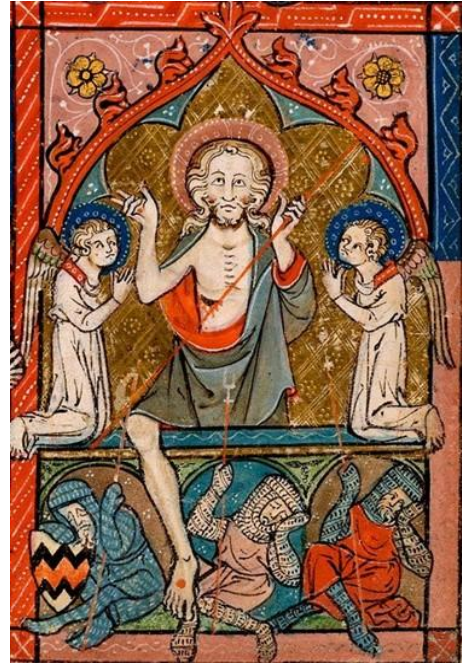
The Day of Resurrection

This wonderful Easter hymn is a translation by John Mason Neale of a text by St John Damascene. The three verses made up Ode I of the 'Canon for Easter Day'. The hymn ends with:

*Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.*

With his enthusiasm for the glories of the Eastern Church, Neale described an Easter Vigil service he attended: 'At midnight, a cannon was fired, then the old Archbishop elevating the cross exclaimed in a loud exulting tone, "Christos anesti, Christ is risen!" and instantly every single individual took up the cry, and the vast multitude broke through and dispelled forever the intense and mournful silence which they had maintained for so long, with one spontaneous shout of indescribable joy and triumph: "Christ is risen!"'

Sunday 5th April 2026 Easter Day Gospel: John 20: 1 – 9



During Holy Week our churches serve as different settings for the story of our redemption. On Palm Sunday, we paved the streets of Jerusalem with palm branches to greet the Lord; on Maundy Thursday, we entered the Upper Room with the disciples, processed with the Lord to the Garden of Gethsemane and kept vigil with Him at the altar of repose. On Good Friday, we moved from Pilate's Palace to Golgotha and witnessed the crucifixion of Christ. During the Easter Vigil, the church served as the dark tomb to which Mary Magdalene came early in the morning. Now, filled with light and beauty, the church rejoices at the Lord's resurrection and reflects the radiance of the heavenly Jerusalem, anticipated in the empty tomb. Today we participate in the heavenly banquet of the Kingdom of God.