

Bourne Abbey and Parish Church

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Sunday, April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

A warm welcome to all! Please take this pew sheet home and include those listed on the reverse in your prayers.



We welcome Bishop Nicholas to celebrate our Parish Eucharist and service of Confirmation today.

Bishop Nicholas is to confirm our candidates, preach, and celebrate the Eucharist .

Are you visiting the Abbey today?

If you are a communicant member of your own church, Fr. Chris invites you to take communion here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please come forward holding the service booklet to indicate your preference.

Services this week:

Thursday, 10.00am - Holy Communion (BCP).

Sunday 7 May

10am –Sung Eucharist (including special prayers for the King and Queen).

Taking Communion – Return to Pre-Covid Practices

Those who wish to continue to receive at the chancel steps or in their pew will have the opportunity to do so. When receiving the wine, we have a ‘no intincting’ policy, which means drinking from the chalice is now the only option.

Dates for Your Diary

Confirmation Classes. The post-confirmation classes will continue for adults (over 18) on Wednesday May 3rd in church at 6.30pm, and for children on Saturday 13th May in church at 10.30am.

Julian Group. The next meeting will take place on Monday 1st May at 10am in the Abbey for 30 minutes of silent prayer and reflection.

Nibble and Natter. Please note that there will not be a Nibble and Natter on 6th May due to the Coronation.

Please pray for:

Those Baptised and Confirmed this morning.

The parish and deanery: for Fr. Chris, Rev. Canon David Staples, the Rev. Sylvia Rice-Oxley, Fr. Peter Lister, our Ministry Team, & Bishop Hall in his role in Madagascar.

Peace and goodwill within and between nations:

especially for peace and justice in Ukraine, the Yemen and Afghanistan, and for the end to wars fought by proxy. We also pray for those in refugee camps for the displaced, wherever they may be.

Those suffering hunger, disease and oppression:

especially those people suffering from the shortage of food, water and medicines, particularly in Turkey, Syria, Central Africa, South Sudan, Afghanistan, Yemen, Haiti, Somalia & Pakistan, and those affected by the conflict in Ukraine. We pray for those in our own country who are homeless, hungry and in need of support, and for those affected by Covid 19.

Those in present need.

Those whose illness or recovery is longer-term.

The souls of the recently departed: The Rev. Richard Rice-Oxley, Mary Johns, Wendy Thornton, and Stephen Wand.

Those whose year’s mind falls this week:

Francis Hewitt, Kathleen Lingard, John Hubbard, Vera Bristow, Damien Gaunt, Laurence Cope, Mary Wells, Philip Hodgson, Carole Kitchener, and Albert Heather.

Fr. Chris welcomes the names of those who are ill or awaiting an operation, so that prayers may be offered for them, and/or a visit arranged.

We also welcome the names of loved ones departed to be inscribed in the church’s **Book of Remembrance**. Application cards are available by the prayer board.

Foodbank - Urgently needed: tinned vegetables/fruit, soups, custard & rice puddings, jam, marmalade, instant desserts, UHT milk, tea, chocolate & children’s lunch snacks, and toiletries. Please leave donations in the plastic box at the back of the church. Many thanks.

