



This Sunday marks the third of Easter.

The Easter celebrations continue, with Luke 24:26-48 being read at St Andrews, St Thomas and Holy Trinity. At St Marys the four-week series on Colossians begins, starting with the "supremacy of Jesus."

We also prepare for three annual meetings in the coming week (St Andrews, St Marys and St Thomas) to give thanks for all God's blessings in 2023, to reflect on the challenges and to look ahead to where God is leading Pathway now.

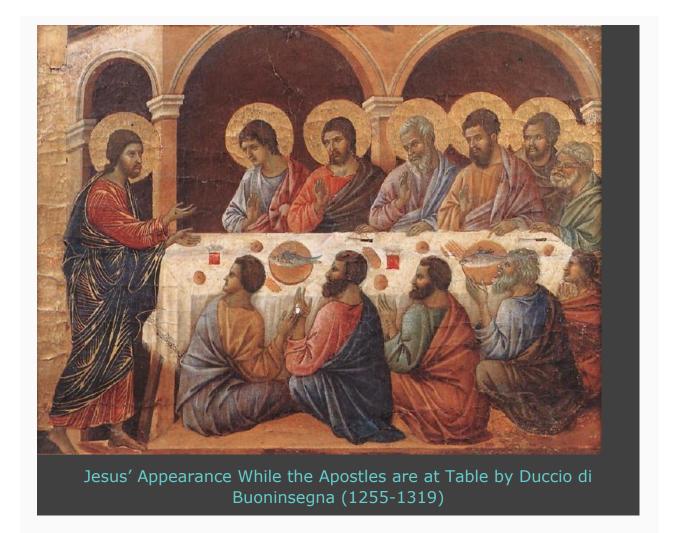
Annual reports and accounts are available online here.

All who are on the church electoral roll are welcome to attend and this is your opportunity to ask any questions or make comment on the many different aspects of our church life, ministry, buildings and finance.

Please do take the time to read the reports ahead of the annual meeting(s).

God bless,

Lloyd, Pioneer Minister.



Services & Events this week

Sunday 14th April

09:30 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity (Coates)

09:30 • Morning Praise at St Andrews (Whittlesey)

11:00 • Morning Praise at St Thomas (Pondersbridge)

11:00 • Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Marys (Whittlesey) followed by Bring and Share lunch.

Monday 15th April

09:00 to 11:00 • Trinity Tots at Holy Trinity (Coates) - pre-schoolers and their adults can drop in at anytime

Tuesday 16th April

Wednesday 17th April

09:15 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates

19:30 • Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at St Andrews (Whittlesey)

Thursday 18th April

09:15 • Holy Communion at St Marys (Whittlesey)

12:00 • Funeral of Colin Dale at Holy Trinity (Coates)

16:00 • Thursday Club's Annual General Meeting at the Parish Hall

(Parkinson's Lane, Whittlesey)

18:30 • Wedding Rehearsal at St Marys (Whittlesey)

18:30 • Bible Study (Colossians 1) at The George (Buttercross, Whittlesey)

Friday 19th April

10:45 • Dedication of a Memorial for the Crew of ND475 at the Eastrea War Memorial (Wype Road, Eastrea)

Saturday 20th April

13:30 • Wedding at St Marys (Whittlesey)

Sunday 21st April

09:30 • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity (Coates)

09:30 • Holy Communion at St Andrews (Whittlesey)

11:00 • Sunday Worship followed by the Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at St Marys (Whittlesey)

18:00 • Evening Praise followed by the Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at St Thomas (Pondersbridge)

20:00 • Concert at St Marys (Whittlesey)

For your **PRAYERS** this week:

For our continuing and new trustees (churchwardens and PCC members) elected at our APCMs.

For those are unwell at this time and in need of healing:

Diana Blake • Lorna Burpitt • Ann Chrisp • Brenda Cooper • Mariyn

Gregory • Joyce Rogers

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list for healing, please let us know. People with ongoing need of healing remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear here.

We remember those who have recently died and pray for their family and friends at this difficult time, including:

Colin Dale • Nikki Jordan • Janet Ryall • Beryl Sallabanks • Ann Woodcock

Annual Parochial Church Meetings - the second, third and fourth of our APCMs will take place this week. All papers relating to the APCMs can be found online **HERE** (hopefully all will be up by Sunday 14th) with paper copies available from church.

This year there is a proposal for a new Joint Council - details of this proposal can be found in the relevant papers. Everyone on the Church Electoral Roll and present at the APCM is invited to vote on this proposal, so please do take a moment to read through this proposal in advance of the meeting(s).

We are looking for a new Team Treasurer! If you think that you might be called to serve God's church locally in this role, you can find out more about what being a Team Treasurer involves **here**.

Our great thanks go to Russell Jackson who has served in this role for a number of years.





Colin Dale's funeral will be on: **Thursday 18th April, 12pm at Holy Trinity, Coates**. All who knew Colin are very welcome to attend.

TRAINING FOR PCC MEMBERS

You are invited to a training event for members of Parochial Church Councils, new and not so new, with the Archdeacon of Huntingdon and Wisbech, Ven Richard Harlow. This will be a chance to discover what your role is, what you are responsible for, and how better to work with your fellow members and your clergy.

During the session we will look at:

- the rules and regulations for PCCs both in canon law and charity law,
- discerning the voice of God amidst the agenda of a PCC,
- processes that help you have better meetings,
- shortcuts to being more effective,
- as well as trying to answer your guestions.

Three sessions are being offered across the archdeaconry:-

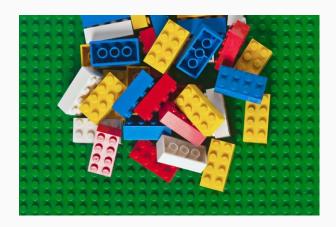
- Thursday 23rd May, 2 4.30pm (for 2.15pm start) at St Peter
 & St Paul's Church Hall, Church Terrace, Wisbech, PE13
 1HP). Registrations close on Monday 13th May.
- Monday 17th June, 2 4.30pm (for 2.15pm start) at All Saints, Hartford Church, The Hollow, Hartford, Huntingdon, PE29 1YF). Registrations close on Thursday 6th June.
- Thursday 04th July, 7 9.30pm (for 7.15pm start) at St Peter
 & St Paul's Church Hall, High Street, Chatteris, PE16
 6BA). Registrations close on Monday 24th June.

Numbers for each session are restricted to 40. If these events prove to be popular then we will schedule further events in the Autumn. Click on the link to register to attend the training event <u>Diocese of Ely</u> (<u>elydatabase.org</u>) and then further click on the tab <u>Archdeacons Events</u>.

If you have any questions, you would like us to consider addressing on the evening, then please direct these to : archdeacon.handw@elydiocese.org

All new PCC members will need to have a **DBS check** (if they haven't one from the Diocese of Ely already) and will need to do some **Safeguarding Training** (if they haven't already). Please speak to your Parish Safeguarding Officer for more information.

There is also some training for PCC members which is run by our Archdeacons on behalf of the Diocese. Whether you are new to PCC, or have been a PCC member for a long time, I really do encourage you to book on to one of these training sessions. Further information as follows:



If anyone has second-hand and **LEGO** that they would be willing to donate to church for our children's ministry? Thank you! Please speak to Emily.

St Mary's will be beginning a new teaching series from this Sunday (14th) on the **Letter to the Colossians**. Some of our church community will also be meeting in the George on a Thursday evening to have a look at each Chapter in a little more depth. All are very welcome to join us on a Sunday or a Thursday as we explore God's Word together.

Colossians

and Philemon at The George

A Bible reading series over five weeks, exploring Jesus and the church through two of Saint Paul's letters.

Thursday evenings from 6:30pm at The George

18 April — Colossians ch. 1

25 April — Colossians ch. 2

2 May — Colossians ch. 3

9 May — Colossians ch. 4

16 May — Philemon

Please read the chapter before the session and consider these questions:

What surprised or excited you about God in the chapter?

What made you feel uncomfortable or unhappy?

What left you confused?



An accompanying Scripture Journal with space for notes is available to buy at www.pathway-church.co.uk/bookshop which is not essential but may be useful.

Any questions regarding this study series can be sent to Iloyd@pathway-church.co.uk

Lent appeal updates

Thank you to all who donated to our Lent appeals, these are the total collections (as of 10/4)

Holy Trinity - WASH (Tearfund) - £153

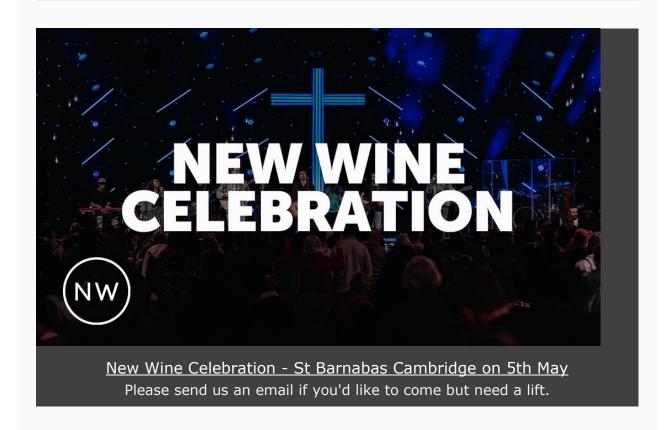
St Andrew's - WaterAid - £113

St Mary's - WEFA (Foodbank) - £33 and a trolley-full of food donations

St Thomas - To Be Confirmed

Thursday Club AGM

The AGM of the Thursday Club will be held at St. Andrew's Hall at 4pm 18th April. The meeting is open to all Committee members, helpers and members of St Andrew's congregation.



Deanery Synod - 14th May, 7:30pm at Manea Church Hall

Rev'd Iain Osbourne, the recently appointed Deputy Director of Planning in the Diocese of Ely, will be coming to speak at our next Deanery Synod. This is an opportunity to hear from Iain, and to ask questions, as we consider matters such as strategy and finance (including ministry share). Our Deanery Synods are open meetings and so all are welcome to attend to hear what Iain has to share with the Deanery.





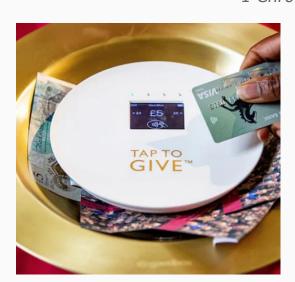
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Safeguarding Contacts [click on the link]

"All things come from You, and of your own have we given You". 1 Chronicles 29:14



If you share our vision of sharing the Good News of Jesus with the communities of Whittlesey, Pondersbridge and Coates then you might like to support that vision financially.

It is very easy to give online <u>HERE</u>.

If you would like to support St Andrew's or St Mary's then we would encourage you to sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme <u>HERE</u>.

Pathway Church is the operating name of the Church of England in Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates; incorporating the Parocihial Church Councils of Whittlesey Saint Andrew, Whittlesey Saint Mary, Pondersbridge Saint Thomas and Coates Holy Trinity. Our parishes also covers the areas of Eastrea, Turves and Kings Dyke.