

## Readings and Collect for Sunday 24th April-2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5 27-32

Psalm 118: 14-29 *Refrain: I will give thanks to you for you have become my salvation*

Revelation 1: 4-8      John 20: 19-31

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Readings for Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Peter Chanel, Missionary in the South Pacific, Martyr, 1841

Acts 5:27-33

Psalm 34:1, 15-end *Refrain: O taste and see that the Lord is gracious*

John 3:31-end

## Readings and Collect for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May -3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 9: 1-6 (7-20)

Psalm 30 *Refrain: You brought me up O Lord, from the dead*

Revelation 5: 11-14      John 21: 1-19

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Readings for Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Acts 8:26-end

Psalm 66:7-8, 14-end *Refrain: All the earth shall worship you, O Lord*

John 6:44-51

*Please note: These readings and collects may be subject to change.*



## St Andrew's Rushmere Focus for weeks 24<sup>th</sup> April – 7<sup>th</sup> May



### Services at St Andrews

**Every Sunday at 8.00am Holy Communion  
(in the old end of church)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month at 10.00am worship for All  
Non-Eucharistic Service (in the new end of church)**

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 10.00am Holy Communion  
(in the new end of church)**

**(Any 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month will be a Holy Communion)**

**Thursdays at 10.00am Holy Communion  
(in the old end of church)**

Focus is available on our website along with a link to our online services at: <https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net/>

You can also find us on Facebook at:  
[www.facebook.com/standrew.rushmere](http://www.facebook.com/standrew.rushmere)

Please email your items to [standrewr@gmail.com](mailto:standrewr@gmail.com)  
or telephone Claire Driver on 623419, or 07971 334142,  
or Gill Crisp on 253743, or 07776 467999  
**by 9pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May deadline**  
Next Focus is 8<sup>th</sup> May- 21st May

**Joint Service  
24<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm  
Rushmere St Andrew's Church**



This evening (24th) at 6.30, we come together at St Andrew's with our brothers and sisters from other churches in Rushmere, Kesgrave, Martlesham and Ipswich for a service of word and song.

The speaker will be the Revd Canon Michael Robinson, Canon Theologian and Bishops' Chaplain.



**The service will be followed by refreshments.**

### **Thanksgiving Service for Widge**

There is just one word which encompasses everything which took place on March 15<sup>th</sup> – from the Cremation in the morning to the Thanksgiving service in the afternoon – that word is LOVE.

I thank each and every one who gave so much to make it a real time of thanksgiving. The kindness and care shown towards friends and colleagues who came to express what they felt for Widge and the love received by myself and my family carried us through our day of sadness.

To each and every one, Revd Sue and Anthony, the 'welcomers', the expert caterers, singers and musician and those in the background, I could hear Widge saying "here are my Church family, whom I love".

Maureen.

### **Focus on Recycle, Re-use, Repair and Rejoice !**

Our recent Climate Change and Christianity course highlighted opportunities to recycle, re-use or repair items and ways to reduce our reliance on the use of plastics. If you were not able to attend the course, we have a number of leaflets which we will make available, giving information on recycling, composting etc. at the next Coffee Morning.

Did you know that you can recycle crisp packets and clean plastic packaging at your local Co-op ?

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it is those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world" Desmond Tutu

### **QR (Quick Response) Code**

Due to the loss of revenue to the church due to Covid -19 the QR code below will continue to be seen in Focus on a regular basis.

The code can be scanned by a mobile phone with a camera and will connect to the Give-a-Little page linked to the website:

<https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net/>

If you have a query, please ask the Treasurer (724211) or a Warden.



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