

St German's Church

18 April 2021 - Easter III



IN THE Gospel, Jesus ate a piece of “broiled” fish. This is not a spelling error, or an archaism for “boiled”: it means “grilled”. It dropped out of British English usage (where it should have stayed) in the 19th century, but survives in the United States.

The everyday act of eating opened people's eyes to the physical reality of Jesus's resurrection, just as looking at his hands confirmed the reality of his suffering. Next, listening to his teaching opened their minds to the scriptures.

(Cally Hammond, Church Times 8248)

Parish Notes:

Covid Risks Update - Please continue to adhere to social distancing and so go straight to their chair and at the end of the service leave orderly. Once outside in the carpark, catch ups and some fellowship is possible because it is much safer in terms of infection rates and chances of the coronavirus spreading. We are hopeful for some further freedoms to do with worship and singing in the coming weeks.

Finance Committee - will meet in Church after mass on Mon 19 April 2021.

Next Sunday - Fr Phelim is in Grangetown and we welcome back Fr Keith Kimber who will preach and preside for us.

PCC and AGM - Unfortunately current regulations only permit AGMs on zoom and we would prefer an AGM in person and so we will petition to have our AGM postponed until later in the year. Today's short PCC meeting at the end of mass to approve our audited accounts and discuss AOB can continue as planned. There is likely to be another, extraordinary, meeting of the parish AGM later in the year as our reps bring forward the ministry area proposals and the decree that will help us transition from a parish into the new ministry area.

A Quiz Night open to all and led by Richard Davey, will take place later in May when it will be possible for people to meet in person in our hall. Donations of prizes will be welcome & all proceeds will support our Lenten charity. Expressions of interest/support to Richard or Fr Phelim. Date to be announced once we hear official guidance from government and/or Church in Wales.

Faith QI - meets this Wed 21 April via zoom. Each time we explore a different topic related to our faith and spirituality. The next topic will be 'God and the Pandemic'.

Recently Departed - HRH Prince Philip, Rosaline Carew

This week:

Sun 18 Easter 3

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

Mon 19:

18:00 Mass (St G)

Tues 20:

10:00 Mass (St S)

St Beuno

Wed 21:

10:00 Mass (St G)

St Anselm

Thur 22:

17:45 Mass (St S)

Fri 23:

No Mass (St S)

St George

Sat 24:

No Mass (St S.)

Sun 25: Easter 4

St Saviour's:

9:30 Sung Mass;

St German's:

11:00 am Sung Mass

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 4:8-12

Ps 118:1+8-9, 21-23,

26+21+29

1 John 3:1-2

John 10:11-18

PSALM RESPONSE

Lift up the light of
your face on us, O
Lord. (4vv)

COLLECT

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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Acts.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Acts 3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

When I call, answer me,
O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have
mercy and hear me! **R/**

It is the Lord who grants favours
to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me
whenever I call him. **R/**

'What can bring us happiness?'
many say.
Lift up the light
of your face on us, O Lord. **R/**

I will lie down in peace
and sleep comes at once
for you alone, Lord,
make me dwell in safety. **R/**

Psalm 4

SECOND READING

The Second Reading is from the first letter of John.

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning; but if anyone should
sin, we have our advocate with the
Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the
sacrifice that takes our sins away, and
not only ours, but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does
not keep his commandments, is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth. But when
anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him..

This is the word of the Lord.

1 Jn 2

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you
talk to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to St Luke.

Jesus himself stood among them and
said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They
were startled and terrified, and thought
that they were seeing a ghost. He said to
them, 'Why are you frightened, and why
do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at
my hands and my feet; see that it is I
myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost
does not have flesh and bones as you see
that I have.' And when he had said this,

he showed them his hands and his feet.
While in their joy they were disbelieving
and still wondering, he said to them,
'Have you anything here to eat?' They
gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he
took it and ate in their presence.
Then he said to them, 'These are my
words that I spoke to you while I was
still with you - that everything written
about me in the law of Moses, the
prophets, and the psalms must be
fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to
understand the scriptures, and he said to
them, 'Thus it is written, that the
Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the
dead on the third day, and that
repentance and forgiveness of sins is to
be proclaimed in his name to all nations,
beginning from Jerusalem. You are
witnesses of these things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 24

THE REGINA CAELI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven,
alleluia!
He who thou wast meet to bear
alleluia!
As he promised, hath arisen,
alleluia!
Pour for us to him thy prayer,
alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad,
O virgin Mary, alleluia!

R./ For the Lord has risen indeed,
alleluia!

Let us pray,
O God, by the resurrection of your son,
our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought
joy to the whole world: Grant that, by
the help of his mother, the virgin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of everlasting
life; through Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

TODAY'S HYMNS:

The strife is O'er
Sing ye faithful
O food of men wayfaring
O Jesu, Saviour of mankind
Jesus shall reign