

**21 April 2024**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**



St Peter's  
Glenfield

*connecting our  
community to Christ*

*10am Morning Worship*

Readings: 1 John 3.16-24 p. 1227  
John 10.11-18 p. 1076

Songs: Come people of the risen King  
Here is love  
The Lord's my shepherd  
I will offer up my life  
When I survey the wondrous cross

**Collect**

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

*Services and events*

**Upcoming services onsite and online:** Next weekend, Sunday 28 April, we have a service of **Baptism and Holy Communion** at 10am in church, Olivia Bale is being baptised. At 4pm **Crumpet Church** is in the Church Centre. 9.15am **Daily Prayer** on Friday on [Facebook](#). **Holy Communion** at 10.30am on Wednesday.

**Thy Kingdom Come**

Running from 9-19 May, Ascension to Pentecost, this annual focus on prayer encourages us to pray for our friends and neighbours to come to know Jesus for themselves. Pick up a prayer journal from the back of church and begin to think about who you will pray for in particular.

**Upcoming concerts**

Tribute acts this year include Boyz Beyond (3 May) Taylor Swift by Xenna (30 Aug) and a Michael Bubl  night (6 Dec). Octave are performing on 1 June. Buy all tickets at: <https://st-peters-glenfield.sumup.link>

**Annual Meeting (APCM)**

Our APCM will be held on Sunday 12 May. Forms for joining the electoral roll, which enables you to vote in elections at this meeting, are available at the back of church. They need to be completed this week.

**Other dates for your diary**

We are planning a joint event for Pentecost, on Sunday 19 May, with both Glenfield Methodist and St George's Indian Orthodox Church – more details soon. Luke's final Sunday with us will be 16 June.

**Events this week:**

Tue: St Peter's Wombles meet 10.30am at church

Tue: Music Time at 1.15pm in Church Centre

Thu: ReNew Caf  from 9.30am in Church Centre

## News and updates



### Giving

If you would like to give to support St Peter's, please use our [online donation page](#) or sign up for regular gifts at [Parish Giving](#). If you give by standing order, please speak to Doreen Denney.

### Reading support at Glenfield Primary

There's a chance to support our local school as part of Churches Together offering help with reading. Contact Tom Limb, [peter.t.limb@gmail.com](mailto:peter.t.limb@gmail.com) if you're interested.

### Shaped by God Together: Minster Communities

The conversation about St Peter's involvement in a Minster Community will begin in April. To prepare for the changes, affecting every parish, we can:

- Pray for the renewal of God's church.
- Partner with neighbouring churches.
- Promote vocations – pray and consider: is there someone who you think should explore this?
- Prioritise school links.

### EcoChurch

We are delighted to announce that St Peter's has received a Bronze EcoChurch Award, for our care of God's earth through our worship, management of buildings and land and our engagement globally.

### Measures for everyone's safety

We aim to ensure everyone attending is able to remain as safe from infection as they wish: you are able to socially distance if you pick up a card from the back and masks are still available for use. We ask you not attend services if you have tested positive for COVID-19 but join the online stream.

## Prayers

### Please pray for:

Liz. Val, for an appointment for more pain relief. Hollie, with cancer. Ella, with back pain. Janet, during a difficult time following leg surgery. Gill, receiving cancer treatment. Richard, with a back infection. Pat, with breathing problems. Alf, home following hip replacement. Judy, waiting for test results. Margaret, with health problems. Thank you for praying for Finn, who is doing well, please pray for Ted, his baby cousin needing hospital treatment. Veronica, awaiting tests and surgery. Peter, suffering with MND. Helen and her father, who is in intensive care. Kelly. Andrew. Spencer. Lisa, following a major operation.

The bereaved family of Elizabeth Harrison.

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## **Leicester Diocese**

The UK will, at some point this year, go to the polls in arguably one of the most hotly contested elections in living memory.

Leicester Citizens, a community-organising alliance which includes members from the Diocese of Leicester, have created a campaign, Value Our Vote, to encourage people to register to vote, get the right Voter ID and to get out and use their vote on Polling Day when it comes.

John 13.33-35 Jesus instructs us to "Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples—when they see the love you have for each other."

Luke 10.27 Jesus says we must "Love your neighbour as yourself". In Matthew 25.45 Jesus was saying "How you treat the hungry, thirsty, immigrant, poor, sick and prisoner is how you treat me".

God of justice and mercy, please help us to take our responsibilities seriously and choose our leaders wisely, for the good of all in society when election day comes.

Help us to understand how you unconditionally love us, Lord Jesus. Please bring opportunities my way to follow you, to treat others with love and care.

Lord, help us to encourage our friends and families to register, to have the right voter ID, and, when the day comes, to go and vote with the love and compassion for others at the forefront of our voting.

*Wendy Bebbington, Member of Leicester Citizens*

## **Church Mission Society (CMS)**

*Asia: people in mission in transition* – Several of our people in mission in Asia are currently in transition. Please pray for wisdom and guidance as couples and families navigate visa requirements, settling down and finding jobs or retiring. Pray for a smooth process, as transitions in general are stressful times.

*Brazil: Latin America gathering* – From 22 to 26 April CMS is hosting a gathering to explore what pioneering mission could look like in the Latin American context, with a view to seeing a mission movement to share Jesus in contexts where the traditional church struggles to engage. In addition to CMS's representatives, representatives from a number of partner organisations and others who are engaged in pioneering ministries across the region will be attending. Please pray for all those present to be attentive to the Holy Spirit's leading during their time together and for the group to discern and commit to a shared vision and for the next steps to become clear. Pray too for all of the logistics, final details, travels of participants and of course for God's will to be done.

*Brazil: discipleship course for inmates* – Mission partner Katia Rocks writes that she and others involved in prison ministry in Florianópolis have been granted permission to start the Prisoner's Journey discipleship course in the female prison. Praise God that this permission has finally been granted after a long wait. As they begin running the course in the women's prison this month, pray for favour for Katia and others with the prison guards and for participants on the course to feel God's love and engage at heart level as well as head level.

*South Asia: connecting with house churches* – A local partner in South Asia has started a number of house fellowships but is now finding it hard to connect with them due to persecution. Please pray protection over him and his family and for God to open secure lines of communication.