



# ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

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12 APRIL 2026  
2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Welcome to St Saviour's

**Broken** at 6pm this evening is an informal monthly communion service. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All welcome.

**Compassionate Café** on Tuesday 14 April from 2–3.30pm in the church hall is a welcoming space for anyone affected by any type of loss who would like to drop in, have a cuppa and a chat. For more information, please see Libby.

**Tea Club** meets on Friday 17 April from 2–4pm in the church hall. This month we are planting seeds. New Tea Club members and helpers, and offers of cakes, always welcome. Contact Tina on [teaclubstsavours@gmail.com](mailto:teaclubstsavours@gmail.com) for more information.

**Vicarage Bible Study** resumes on Monday 20 April at 8pm.

**Sundays at Ten** is back on 26 April.

### WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday	10.00am	Low Mass with Lectio Divina
	2.00pm	Compassionate Café (See above)
Thursday	7.00pm	Mass for the Mission of the Church followed by prayer before the Sacrament & Benediction
Friday	9.30am	Tots Time
	2.00pm	Tea Club (See above)

Evening Prayer is said at 5.30pm Monday to Thursday & 4.30pm Friday at the High Altar

### NEXT SUNDAY 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am	Low Mass
10.00am	All Age Parish Mass

**Readings** Acts 2.14a,36-41; Luke 24.13-35

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**Mass Setting** The Woodard Service *Richard Shephard 1949–2021* (See service booklet)

**Organ Prelude** ‘O wie selig ihr doch, ihr frommen’ & ‘O Gott, du frommer Gott’  
*Johannes Brahms 1833–1897*

**HYMN 150** Love’s redeeming work is done

**COLLECT**

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 for ever.

*All Amen.*

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**READING** *Acts 2.14a,22-32*

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know – this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For

you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.” ‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, “He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.” This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.’

This is the word of the Lord.

*All Thanks be to God.*

**HYMN 145** Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

**THE GOSPEL** *John 20.19-31*

The Lord be with you.

*All And also with you.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*All Glory to you, O Lord. (Sung)*

When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other

disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.** (Sung)

**SERMON** Imogen de la Bere

**THE CREED**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

**THE PEACE**

**HYMN 157** The day of resurrection

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**THE COMMUNION**

**Organ Music** 'Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele'  
*Johannes Brahms*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal  
life  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

**HYMN 148** Jesus lives! Thy terrors now can,  
O death, no more appal us

**BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

**Organ Voluntary** Fugue in E major from the  
48 Preludes & Fugues, Book 2  
*JS Bach 1685-1750*

Please join us for tea or coffee after the  
service at the back of the church

**NOTICES**

**Please pray for**

**Those who are sick and in need** Lerverne  
Johnson, David Atkinson, Hilary Miller,  
Nicky Brown, Joan Hammerton, Che, John,  
David, Sally, Fred Ward, Philip Milton, Rex  
Winn, Doug Reavley, Michael Downing,  
Christy Carroll.

**The recently departed** Doreen Winn.

**Those whose Year's Mind falls this week**  
**Sunday** Kathleen Andrews, Robert  
Cumming, Thomas Edwardes, Cyril  
Isherwood, Arthur Jones, Olive Martin, Cyril  
Munt, Sarah Smedley; **Monday** John Lott;  
**Tuesday** Ronald Clifton, Alice Skipsey, Amy  
Veitch; **Wednesday** Sheila Heighton, Gillian  
Shaw;

**Thursday** Louisa Davis, Thomas Goodship, Carol Morris; **Friday** Martin Chapman, Jean Empringham; **Saturday** Henry Holme, Angus Lennox.

**Doreen Winn RIP** Doreen's funeral service will be here at St Saviour's on Tuesday 21 April at 10.30am followed by a committal at West Herts Crematorium and returning to church for the wake. All are welcome to attend, and please continue to keep Doreen, Rex and the family in your prayers.

**Thank you** to all who have helped make our Holy Week and Easter services special this year: servers, music and choir, flower arrangers, families workshop leaders and all who took part in the Lent Course – and those who fed them so well! Thank you also for donations made during Lent tea and coffee and at the Lent suppers. As a result of this generosity we will be sending just over £860 to the Ver Valley Society.

**Stewards' Meeting** There's a stewards' meeting with wine and nibbles in the Vicarage on Monday 27 April at 8pm. If you are interested in joining the team to welcome people before services and give out hymn books etc you'd be most welcome to come along and find out more. If you can, please let Elaine, Dave or Bruce know beforehand, or email wardens.stsaviours@gmail.com.

**Electoral Roll** The Electoral Roll is due for revision this year. (Full renewal was in 2025.) This will take place between 19 April – 2 May. If you are not on our Electoral Roll and would like to be, please fill out a form (found at the back of church) and give it to Diane, or scan and send to pccsecretary.stsaviours@gmail.com. If you would like to check you are on the Electoral Roll, please speak to me. All forms need to be completed by Wednesday 29 April. Thank you. Diane

**Parish Organ Restoration** Thank you to so many people from the congregation, wider parish and community who have generously donated to the organ appeal. Since fixing the date for a re-dedication evensong (18 April) we have been able to extend the work beyond restoration, and have included the addition of a 16' trombone stop, adding a protective covering above the organ to prevent further damage by water ingress, cleaned the organ chamber and upgraded the lighting for ongoing maintenance and tuning, and replaced and repointed damaged brickwork (all this and with a good amount remaining in the fund for future maintenance.) As a result the pressure is now on to complete the inevitable 'snagging' and allow the instrument to be 'played-in and settle', so the re-dedication evensong has been postponed and the new date will be announced as soon as possible.

#### **Support for Herts Young Homeless**

Nick Winter is set to run the London Marathon this April in support of Herts Young Homeless. Any donations to help meet this goal would be much appreciated. Please donate via the QR code or <https://shorturl.at/qqaZh>, or get in touch with Gloria. Thank you.



**Garden Play Equipment** When shopping at the local Tesco stores, please use your Tesco Stronger Starts token to vote for '8th St Albans Rainbows for Garden Play Equipment'. This project aims to replace the play equipment in the hall garden for the benefit of all hall users. If we win the vote, we may get a grant of up to £1,500. For more information, please speak to Elaine. Voting now closes on 28 April (new date).