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<p>Collect</p>	<p>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 for ever.</p>
<p>Post Communion</p>	<p>Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.</p>
<p>*** What's on ***</p>	

Monday 20th April	<i>4.00 pm Monday Rocks (church)</i>
Tuesday 21st April	<i>12.30 pm Noah's Ark (church hall)</i> <i>1.15 – 2.15 pm Miss you group (church)</i> <i>4.30 pm Bolders (church hall)</i>
Wednesday 22nd April	<i>10.00 am Coffee Break (church hall)</i> <i>10.00 am – 12.00 noon Pantry (church hall)</i> <i>11.00 am Holy Communion</i> <i>President: Rev Natalie Bawcutt, preacher: Gill Renny</i> <i>Acts 8:1b-8, Psalm 66:1-6, John 6:35-40</i>
Friday 24th April	<i>7.00 pm Choir practice</i>
Saturday 25th April	<i>7.00 pm Quiz evening with fish & chip supper (ticketed event)</i>
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Morning Prayer: 9.00 am Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday. (Not on Bank Holidays)

Private Prayer: The church will open for private prayer on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week between 10.30 am – 12.00 noon.

Parish Prayer Time (PPT) will meet in the Church on Monday mornings at 9.30 am, (following Morning Prayer). Parish Prayer Time lasts about 40 mins and usually starts with a shared scripture passage or words of encouragement to lead us into prayer for the Parish, the world and individuals who have requested our prayers.

Please remember in your prayers: Wendy Turner, Tracy Howman, Rosemary Colwell, Isla, Gordon and Bridget Dustan, Anne Springham, Keith Worrall, Penny Godwin, Anna Waterman, Gina Broadhead, John Harding, Anne Foster, Peter Watson, Steve

If you wish a name to be included, please let Natalie in the office know. The list will be refreshed again soon, if you wish a name to be kept on after next week, please let us know.

RIP: Joy Down (15/04/2026)

Years Mind: Joyce Mote (2021), Fiona De Leij (2016), Dorothy Adams (2017), Florence Harrison (2019), Jessie Kite (2022)

Thanks to the generosity of all who gave donations in any way, for the Easter breakfast, we made £150.00.

**Quiz night with a fish and chips supper –
Saturday 25th April @ 7.00 pm**

Tables of six only; tickets are £15 each and available from the Social group today. Please bring your own cutlery and drinks. There will be a raffle on the night. Categories – not giving too much away, but the categories (not necessarily the questions) will be loosely related to aspects of our worship or church. That is not to say the answers will all be hymns! Get thinking!

Carrie, Jan, Joanna, Lisa, Sarah

Welcome Afternoon - Sunday, April 26th, 3.00 pm in church.

Please do come to this event if have joined us in the last 12 months or are wondering about joining us. You would be very welcome. Please contact Pam Brooks in church or 01903 784660 or the office on 01903 850509. Thank you.

Pantry: This week's Pantry Social Meal was a joyful occasion, made possible by Establo Lounge, who paid for and served a delicious roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings to 64 Pantry users, followed by an indulgent gâteau for dessert. Members of the Establo team offered a warm welcome and attentive service, while Kirsty and Aaron from FA Holland Funeral Care worked tirelessly in the kitchen to ensure everything ran smoothly. We were also pleased to have Hazel from Citizens Advice, who was able to support local people on the day. Alongside the meal, 75 people collected food from the Pantry. We are hugely thankful to everyone who supports our Pantry, which offers not just food but care, dignity, friendship and practical support to our local community. If you are able to donate, we are currently short of milk, pasta sauce, pasta, biscuits and toilet rolls. With heartfelt thanks,

The Pantry Team

APCM – will be held on the 17th May, following the 10.00 am service. This year we will need to elect two church wardens, four PCC members and three Deanery representatives. If you would like to know more, please speak with any member of the PCC. We will also be looking for someone to take over the Electoral Role Officer from Catherine Gleadow. Catherine will be happy to have someone shadow her for the next year and then take over properly after that. Please speak with Catherine to find out what this entails.

Sarah Collins – PCC Secretary

Electoral Roll Revision

The annual revision of the Electoral Roll will take place between 15th and 30th April. Anyone not on the Roll and wishing to be added is invited to fill in a form and send it to me by 30th April at the latest. After this no further changes may be made until after the APCM. Forms are available in church, from the parish office or from me. If you are already on the current roll you don't need to do anything unless any of your details have changed, in which case please let me know.

Please note that the Electoral Roll is the official record of church members and is completely separate from the Parish Directory. There is a list of names of those currently on the roll at the back of church so that you can check if you are on or not.

The revised list of names on the Roll will then be available in church from 4th May before being presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Enquiries to Electoral Roll Officer: Catherine Gleadow, 15 Lundy Close, Littlehampton, BN17 6NX.

07790 291144 or catherinegleadow@yahoo.com)

Seasight - May Edition. This will be ready for collection by distributors from the Church Office next Wednesday and also available at the back of the Church and in the Church Hall for those not subscribing.

Seasight Team.

Rhubarb - the allotment new season rhubarb is now ready! There will be a sale by donation at coffee after the 10.00 am service on Sunday 26th April. Cash only. All proceeds towards the maintenance and provision of the Church Allotment.

Julie

Solar Panels – as agreed by the PCC, we are currently applying to have solar panels installed on the flat roof of the church (south side). These will not be visible from ground level and have been carefully considered by the PCC, our architect and Diocesan advisors. It would be really helpful for our application if you able to give your support as this is an important part of journey of faith caring for our planet. Long term, we hope it'll also help with our energy bills. You can do this by clicking on the link below, and following the steps (press enter comment). Closing date for this is the 20th April. Thank you.

<https://www.l.arun.gov.uk/aplanning/OcellaWeb/planningDetail?s?reference=R/37/26/PL>

Generosity

A huge thank you to everyone who supports the church by using the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS); it relieves the finance team of a lot of work claiming back the gift aid and ensures the church has a regular income for all its vital work and daily expenses. If you do give via PGS you could put

a token in the offertory plate to signify this on your way into church, if you wish, which would then be taken to the altar for a blessing. The tokens are next to the offertory plate.

Easy Fundraising (www.easyfundraising.org.uk) is a simple and free way to give to the church; there will be a presentation in the spring re this but meantime do go to the website and choose Parish church of St Peter and St Paul's Rustington as your chosen charity and encourage family and friends to do the same.

The Generosity group

With thank to the Finance Group, especially Sue Clark for producing the updated figures.



Mission Matters

Pray for South Sudan and our CMS Mission Partner Nicci Maxwell in Juba According to BBC News Africa the situation in South Sudan is worsening. ***'Aid agencies say they are at breaking point. Lifesaving programmes are shutting down and more families are being displaced. The risk of cholera and famine is rising. Now there are calls for the international community to step in and push for real peace in South Sudan'***

Using Links (Act 4 You) (Project), gifts can be made to the account 'Supporting Child Health in South Sudan', account number 3209
If you have any problems you can contact Links for assistance by phone 01903 778515 or hello@links.charity

A huge thank you to you and Natalie and all the lovely people who appeared in the Easter video that you sent! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter celebration. Easter has been peaceful in Juba and I had a great weekend including a very joyful morning in church, a delicious roast dinner and getting absolutely soaked in a huge thunderstorm on my way home from visiting friends!

Blessings, Nicci

Supporting our church. If you would like to give to the church regularly, details of the **Parish Giving Scheme** which enables the church to budget for the future are below: Ring PGS confidentially on 0333 002 1271 or go to <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/> to activate regular giving. There are also forms at the back of the church or ask in the office for further information. Our parish code is 101010024.

St Mary's Church, East Preston - art, Craft and Plant Sale, Saturday 25th April in the Church. 10.00 am until 2.00 pm. Coffee/tea and cakes. Please come along and support this lovely spring event.

If you would like to sponsor the Church Notice sheet, to remember or recognise a special event or anniversary please contact the church office.

If you would like to sponsor the seven-day candle that is in the chancel next to the Reserved Sacrament, in memory of someone, or for a special event or anniversary, please contact the Church office.

Material for **Sunday 26th April 2026** should reach the church office by **10.00 am Wednesday 22nd April 2026** and be sent to sarahlouisegc@gmail.com Please note the change of address for the time being as I am having technical issues with outlook!

Vicar: Reverend Natalie Bawcutt (Day of rest - Friday)

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Weds, Thurs, Fri 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

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