

WALTHAM ST LAWRENCE CHURCH

28 April 2019

2nd of Easter

10.00 am Parish Communion



Collect of the Day

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. **Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Acts 5.27-32

Anthem: 'Ave verum corpus' – Elgar (1887)

Ave verum corpus, natum ex Maria virgine; vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine. Cuius latus perforatum vero fluxit sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum mortis in examine. O clemens, O dulcis Jesu Fili Mariae. (*words: C14 hymn*)

tr: Hail, true body, born of the virgin Mary; who has truly suffered, slaughtered on the cross for humanity, from whose pierced side blood indeed did flow. Be a foretaste for us during our ordeal of death. O merciful, O sweet Jesus, Son of Mary.

Gospel Reading: John 20.19-23

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, 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.' ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

11.30 am Annual Church Meetings

4.00 pm 4th@4 (informal service)

Notices overleaf...

Wednesday 7.30 pm Farewell Service for Bp Andrew with refreshments: Reading Minster, Chain Street, RG1 2HX All welcome. See poster in porch

Next Sunday 5 May

3rd of Easter

8.45 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Helpers Appreciation Service
6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Church Accounts

The 2018 Accounts are displayed on the notice board behind the font. They are also included with the Annual Report and other Church Reports which are on the village website – click Church/News

Preaching Programme

The leaflet for late April to August is now available

Singet!

That's the name of our choral festival concert this year on 18 May at 7 pm. Full details on the website – click the Events tab. Tickets £12 on the door, or £10 in advance from Simon Shaw. Tel: 07717 472974 Email: concerts@wsl.link They may also be bought online. Under 16s free.

Parish Giving Scheme

This operates in our church. The basis of the PGS is financial support for the church by regular Direct Debit, and it has several advantages over other methods. Thank you to all who have chosen to support us in this way.

If you haven't yet joined the PGS, you may do so at any time (whether you currently give by standing order, envelopes, or loose cash). There are explanatory leaflets and gift forms on the shelf on the south side of the crossing. If you are in the PGS and want to have something to put in the offering, there are plastic tokens (in the same place) for your use. These are recycled each week.

Any items for inclusion in this weekly sheet to reach Charles by noon on Thursday, please. Email: revdcom@btinternet.com Tel: 0118 934 1054