

## APRIL COLLECT

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Common Worship Lectionary Readings for April 2024 (Year B)

<b>7<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Acts 2: 32-35 John 20: 19-end	<b>White or Gold</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Acts 3: 12-19 Luke 24: 36b-48	<b>White or Gold</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> April</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Acts 4: 5-12 John 10: 11-18	<b>White or Gold</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Acts 8: 26-end John 15: 1-8	<b>White or Gold</b>

## Dates for your Diary

**12<sup>th</sup> April – Mollington.** Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon – Village Hall.

**24<sup>th</sup> April – Gt Bourton** – Community Coffee Morning Village Hall  
10.30 am – 12 noon. (in aid of church upkeep) All welcome

**25<sup>th</sup> April – Mollington** APCM/PCC meeting in Church at 12 noon

**25<sup>th</sup> April – Wardington** APCM meeting in Church at 7.30 pm

**26<sup>th</sup> April – Wardington** – Friends Quiz and Fish & Chip night  
7 pm Memorial Hall

**29<sup>th</sup> April – Cropredy** APCM/PCC meeting in Church at 4.30 pm

**30<sup>th</sup> April – Gt. Bourton** APCM meeting in Church at 7 pm



**APRIL 2024**

**St James the Great, Claydon, St Mary the Virgin, Cropredy  
All Saints, Great Bourton, All Saints, Mollington  
St Mary Magdalene, Wardington**

**Vicar: Revd. Canon Sarah Fenby**

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**Benefice Worship Leaders: Revd. Lynda Alcock,  
Siobhan & Rebecca Croft.  
The Rt. Revd. Jonathan Meyrick, Sue Upton**

## Services for April 2024

### 7<sup>th</sup> April 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Claydon	Visiting Sunday		
Cropredy	9.30 am	Family Communion`	SF
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF
Mollington	Visiting Sunday		
Wardington	Visiting Sunday		

### 14<sup>th</sup> April 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Claydon	4.00 pm	Evening Prayer	SF
Cropredy	10.30 am	<b>Morning Worship &amp; Commissioning</b>	SF
Gt Bourton	Visiting Sunday		
Mollington	9.00 am	Holy Communion	SF
Wardington	10:30 am	<i>At Cropredy for Commissioning</i>	

### 21<sup>st</sup> April 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Claydon	Visiting Sunday		
Cropredy	10.00 am	Seeker Service	SC/RC (SF)
Gt. Bourton	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF
Mollington	Visiting Sunday		
Wardington	Visiting Sunday		

### 28<sup>th</sup> April 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Claydon	11.00 am	Family Communion	SF/SU
Cropredy	Visiting Sunday		
Gt Bourton	Visiting Sunday		
Mollington	6.00 pm	Hymns & Pimms	SF
Wardington	9.30 am	Family Communion	SF/SU

**Morning Prayer** restarts 8<sup>th</sup> April at 9am - Monday The Bourtons; Tuesday Claydon; Wednesday Cropredy; Thursday Mollington; Friday Wardington.

**Holy Communion** restarts 9<sup>th</sup> April Cropredy 12 noon each Tuesday.

If you'd like to explore/revisit the **basics of Christian faith**, I am going to be offering some session after Easter.

These are a good basis for anyone interested in **confirmation** as the next step, also. Bishop Jonathan will be confirming in the Benefice on Sunday September 1<sup>st</sup>. **Revd Sarah.**

### **Celebration & Commissioning of Siobhan and Rebeca Croft, as Authorized Preachers, and**

**Sue Upton as Authorized Funeral Minister**, for the Shires Edge Benefice, *14th April in the 10.30 am Cropredy Service*. Do please join us to support these three who have been faithfully serving in the Benefice for many years. Revd Dr Phil Cooke, Interim Principal of the Local Ministry Programme will be preaching, and there will be refreshments afterwards.

These are all a 3 year authorization, approved by the PCCs of the Benefice and authorized by +Gavin. Training has involved some ministry and safeguarding training, and the ministry is to be exercised as a collaborative ministry with other ministers in the Benefice Team, and working with the incumbent to support our worship and outreach to children and families, and our ministry to the bereaved.

Do pray for Sue, Siobhan and Rebecca, at this special time.

### **APCMs**

**Annual Parochial Church Meetings, everyone is welcome.**

**25<sup>th</sup> April** Mollington and Wardington

**29<sup>th</sup> April** Cropredy

**30<sup>th</sup> April** Gt. Bourton

With my thanks to all who serve God and the Benefice in these key roles.

### **Community Consultation** about the Church Rooms in Cropredy

If you receive the Crier you will see we have begun to consult widely about the Church Rooms and Church development in Cropredy.

Please do complete an audit too, as your voice and input matters too!