

Rota for This Week

Door, Welcome & Collection: Pat Robson & Mark Albert
Reader: David Battersby
Intercessions: Celia Humphreys
Elements: Grace & Richard Wilkins

Coffee: Jean & Tom Gray
Cleaning: Ann & David Battersby

Services Next Week

Wednesday 25th April

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Bampton

Friday 4th May

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion Rosebank Care Home

Sunday 22nd April

United Parish Eucharist at **CLANFIELD**
(no service at Bampton)

Rota for 6th May

Door, Welcome & Collection: Ann Battersby & Liz Page
Reader: Douglas Clare
Intercessions: Roger Preston
Elements: Lynne Borrett & Dennis Bambury

Coffee: Celia Humphreys & Jan Jones
Cleaning: Jean Gray & Mary-Lynne Winship

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BAMPTON

22ND APRIL 2018

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sung Eucharist

Introit Hymn: 208 Christ is made the sure foundation (Part 2 + Doxology)

The 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.

The Epistle: Acts 4: 5-12

Gradual Hymn: 594 The Lord's my shepherd

The Gospel: John 10: 11-18

Offertory Hymn: 589 The King of love my shepherd is

Communion Anthem: God be merciful unto us (Wilkins)

Prayer after Communion.

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recessional Hymn: 453 Great is thy faithfulness

Notices

- Today's service is led by **Revd. Tim Edge**
- **Max Vasko-Whittingham** will be baptised here, next Sunday, 29th April at 12 noon.
- **Michael Duerden and Kayleigh Murphy** will be married here on Friday 4th May at 12.30
- The contractors have almost finished the upgrade work to the vicarage with only the new doors and kitchen floor covering still awaiting delivery. For anyone who would like to see the extent of this work, there will be a viewing **this afternoon between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.** For further information contact **Roger Preston.**
- St Mary's provides 2 regular Bible Discussion Groups and a weekly Prayer Meeting. Details from Dennis Piper (850677)
- **The Prayer Group:** The Prayer Group resumes its sessions on Thursday 19th April at 6.00pm until 6.30pm at **21 The Lanes.** We are always glad to welcome new comers.

Ladies' Lunch

Ladies' Lunch will take place at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, 27th April at The Pavilion in Buckland Road. Please join us to enjoy a delicious meal and friendly company.

For further information please contact Joy Edwards : 01993 852557

Thank You!

Many thanks to the people who gave their time last Saturday working to clear the earth encroaching onto our paths. We still seem to have a mix up about returning two edgers to the correct owners but hope to get them the right way round soon.

Music in Country Churches – posters and fliers are around so it is hoped that you will come and enjoy one if not both evenings. Volunteers are now being sought for both evenings as programme/ticket sellers, guides inside and outside, traffic and parking flow assistants and church guarding. We are needing about 12 people per night. We also need to provide a tea for about 34 people on the Saturday afternoon. There is lots to get involved in and two wonderful evenings of music. St Mary's and St James's Aston will benefit from a successful hosting of this event and we are already having great support from Aston. Please contact: Jill Hall or Church Wardens in church or on 01993 851142.

Review of Giving

New envelopes which start in May are now available-look out for yours at the welcome table. It reminds us all to review our giving. If you are a tax payer and feel committed to the church it is beneficial to the church to complete a Gift Aid Form and give regularly by standing order or weekly envelopes. If you no longer pay tax you also need to let me know. My details are indicated below, or you can speak to me personally.

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