

# St Mary of Charity Parish Church Faversham

## Third Sunday in Easter

### 15 April 2018

Welcome to the beautiful church of St Mary of Charity. Please do stay for a drink and fellowship. If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to one of the clergy.

For our prayers:

- the St Mary of Charity clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in Faversham and the Ospringe Deanery;
- those baptised into the family of Christ;
- those affected by 'natural disasters' and extreme weather in the world;
- the Rohingya seeking safety;
- those who work in disaster relief;
- those affected by the Grenfell Tower fire;
- those who are homeless or vulnerably housed;
- those who are experiencing financial hardship;
- those who work for the emergency services;
- those who are receiving medical treatment;
- the people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

### 9 am Matins

10.30 am Family Eucharist with baptism of Serwah-Marie Ama SRAHA

### Readings:

**Acts 3:12-19**

**Luke 24:36-48**

### COLLECT:

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  
Amen

### Next Sunday:

**Fourth Sunday in Easter**

**Acts 4:5-12**

**John 10:11-18**



Palm Sunday's post-service Holy Hedgehog sale raised £88 (plus some gift aid). Thank you to everyone who bought a knitted hedgehog - and thank you to Linda, the talented knitter who made them!

**For the Benefice Service on Sunday, 29 April 2018, it has been agreed by Rev Simon Rowlands and all eight benefice wardens that there will be a cake stall after the service in aid of Holiday Club.**

**Donations of cakes and savouries are very welcome from all folk from all churches.**

**Non-bakers are more than welcome to bring their pocket money...**

**We look forward to seeing you after the 10 am service at St Mary of Charity!**

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THE **WILD WEST**

HOLIDAY CLUB 2018



## 9 am Matins

Responses	Ferial	
Psalm	4	
Canticles	Venite & Jubilate	
Anthem	Lead me, Lord; <i>Wesley</i>	
Opening	Christ is the King	486
Offertory	Ye Choirs of new Jerusalem	221



**Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;**  
brothers and sisters with one voice  
tell all the world he is your choice.

*Alleluia.*

O magnify the Lord, and raise  
anthems of joy and holy praise  
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.

*Alleluia.*

They with a faith for ever new  
followed the King, and round him drew  
thousands of faithful hearts and true.

*Alleluia.*

O Christian women, Christian men,  
all the world over, seek again  
the Way disciples followed then.

*Alleluia.*

Christ through all ages is the same:  
place the same hope in his great name,  
with the same faith his word proclaim.

*Alleluia.*

Let love's unconquerable might  
your scattered companies unite  
in service to the Lord of light.

*Alleluia.*

So shall God's will on earth be done,  
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,  
and the whole church at last be one.

*Alleluia.*

**Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,**

your sweetest notes employ,  
the Paschal victory to hymn  
in strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains,  
and crushed the serpent's head;  
and brought with him, from death's domains,  
the long-imprisoned dead.

Triumphant in his glory now  
his sceptre ruleth all,  
earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,  
and at his footstool fall.

While joyful thus his praise we sing,  
his mercy we implore,  
into his palace bright to bring  
and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,  
all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
while endless ages run.

Alleluia! Amen.

## ***Epistle***

Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? he God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel**

Luke 24:36-48

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

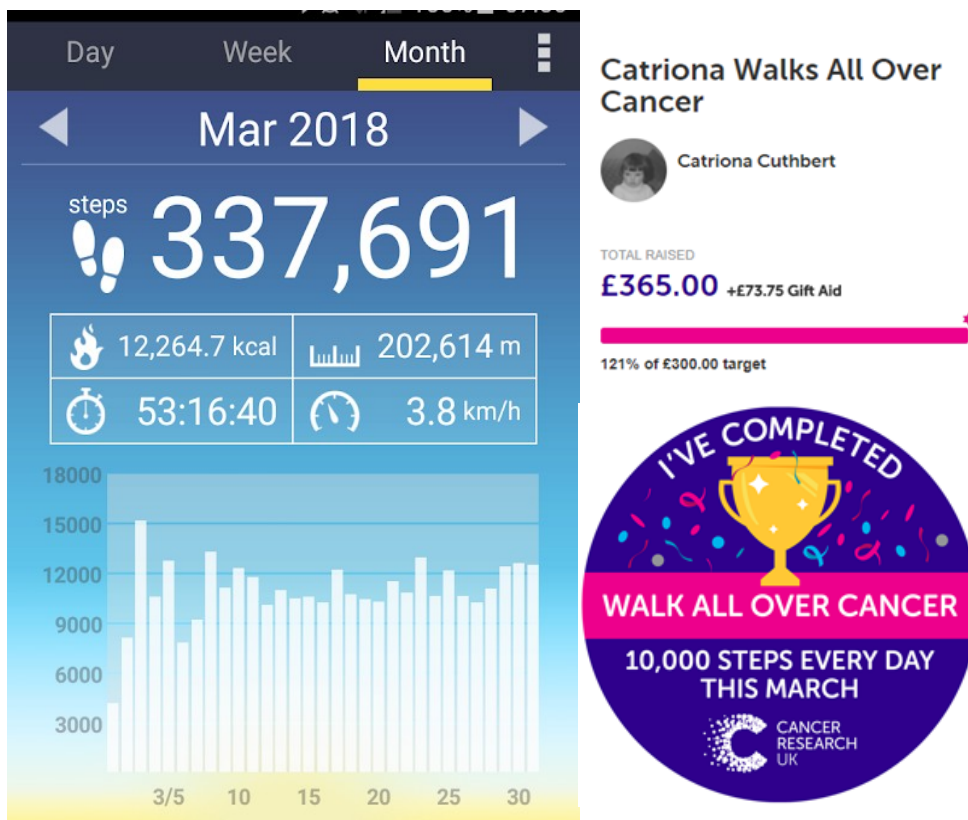
While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning

from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'

*At the end the reader will say:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**



## **Catriona has walked all over cancer!**

Thank you *everyone* who was kind and generous enough to sponsor me for the Cancer Research Walk All Over Cancer campaign during March. You'll see above the number of steps I achieved overall (and there's a graph at the bottom showing my individual days - slightly less impressive at the start). Just over 202 kilometres!

I had set myself a target of £300; and raised £365 online plus £265 with a traditional paper form and good, hard cash! *If anyone has sponsored me but not given yet, please find me during the week in the church!*

While the building works are taking place in the North Transept, the church will be open between 10 am and 3 pm, Monday to Friday. It will be open as usual during the weekend.

In an effort to reduce copying and paper waste, we will be producing a monthly notice sheet for you to take home and keep which will show all coming services and events in the church, plus any notices. Pew sheets will be for individual Sundays and will give information relevant to services (readings, hymns, etc).

*Please don't forget to take your April Notice Sheet home with you!*

**Notices to Catriona by  
Wednesday, 25 April latest!**

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