



**Notices for the coming week**

***This week's readings***

**Acts 10.34-43**

Peter gives a summary of the story of salvation brought by Jesus, but the crucial point here is the universal scope of that work; it is for gentiles as well as for Jews. A major step in the Church's life and the spread of the good news.

**John 20.1-18**

Two stories of Easter Day, telling first of the abandoned tomb and then of Jesus' meeting with Mary Magdalene. A new world is born and the old is put behind. And love and recognition are the marks of the new.

**Luke 24. 1-12**

All the Gospels tell of Easter morning, when women are the first witnesses of the deserted tomb. In our day, people seem often attached to the graves and corpses of their loved ones. So it is good to remember that, with and like our Lord, we are bigger and more important than that earthly level of things. What matters is the God-given greatness of what we are for and what we add up to.

***Thoughts for prayer & reflection:***

- ✘ Pray for boldness to stretch up to God's purpose for you. No virtue in false humility.
- ✘ Pray to recognize the greater future that always lies ahead for each of us.
- ✘ Amazement is a great quality to cultivate in our relationship with God.

***Next week's readings:***

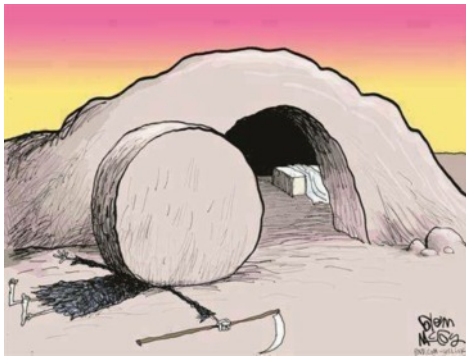
Acts 5.27-32; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-31

***This week's collect***

Lord of all life and power,  
 who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
 overcame the old order of sin and death  
 to make all things new in him:  
 grant that we, being dead to sin  
 and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
 may reign with him in glory;  
 to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
 be praise and honour, glory and might,  
 now and in all eternity. Amen.

*or*

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.



***Paschal Candles***

This year our Paschal candles are designed by Freddie from Nenthead Primary School - thank you Freddie!

Please ask Mark if you haven't got one yet!

***This week the Church celebrates ...***

*In Easter Week, only the Resurrection is celebrated*

Find this notice sheet each week at

[www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/whatson](http://www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/whatson)

or see the Parish Calendar at

[www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/calendar](http://www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/calendar)

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**Home Communion**



Please let Mark know of anyone who would appreciate receiving Holy Communion at home over Easter – or any other time.

**Supporting your parish church financially**

To make an online donation, go to

[www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/donate](http://www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/donate), or ask Mark or your church treasurer for our bank account details.



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## Calendar for the coming week

### Zoom details:

For services, the Zoom ID is 357 123 751;  
for meetings, the Zoom ID is 864 7631 4432

Sunday services on Zoom can also be found at  
[www.youtube.com/@AlstonMoorParishChurches](http://www.youtube.com/@AlstonMoorParishChurches)

You can download orders of service, readings, hymns  
etc from [www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/worship](http://www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/worship)

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday

- 9.30 am Easter Eucharist St Jude, Knaresdale  
9.30 am Easter Eucharist St John, Garrigill  
11.00 am Easter Eucharist St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
12. noon Hymns at the Cross outside Town Hal  
3.00 pm Easter Eucharist Ss Mary & Patrick, Lambley  
6.00 pm Taizé Eucharist (BCP) Holy Paraclete, Kirkhaugh

### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
focus: peace  
5.00 pm Evening Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
focus: environment

### Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> April

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
12. noon Holy Communion Chat Room, Alston  
5.00 pm Evening Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
focus: education

### Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> April

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
6.00 pm Evening Prayer St John, Nenthead  
9.00 pm Night Prayer Zoom

### Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> April

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
10.00 am St Jude's Coffee Stop Knaresdale Comm.Hall  
5.00 pm Evening Prayer St Augustine, Alston & Zoom  
focus: parish vision & mission

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Second Sunday of Easter

- 9.30 am Eucharist St John, Nenthead  
10am-3pm Coffee Shop Garrigill VH  
11.00 am Prayer & Praise  
St Augustine, Alston, & Zoom  
12.15 pm St Augustine's ADCM  
(Annual Meeting) St Augustine, Alston



## New electoral roll



This year we're preparing a new electoral roll, so if you wish to vote, or stand, in church elections, you'll need to sign up again.

Please collect a form from church, or download from the website [www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/whatson](http://www.alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/whatson) and return it to Julie Coonan, Swan's Head, Townhead, Alston by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

## Wanted – Churchwardens!

Annual meeting time is approaching, and we have several vacancies for Churchwardens. If this is a role you would be interested in exploring – or if you are considering standing for the PCC or a DCC, please have a word with Mark or one of the existing Wardens. It can be very rewarding!

## Andy's Ordination

Andy will be ordained Deacon  
in St Nicholas' Cathedral, Newcastle  
on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 3 pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend -  
we'll be arranging transport in due course.

There'll also be a party in the evening  
at Lowbyer Manor

Details to follow - book the date now!

## Holy Week & Easter 2025

### Holy Week



#### Saturday (12<sup>th</sup> April)

6.00 pm Vigil Mass with Blessing of Palms (RC) St Wulstan, Alston

#### Palm Sunday (13<sup>th</sup> April)

9.30 am Morning Prayer (C of E) St John, Nenthead  
10.00 am Sunday Service with procession (Methodist) St Oswald, Kirkoswald  
11.00 am Holy Communion w. Blessing of Palms (C of E) St Augustine, Alston

#### Maundy Thursday (17<sup>th</sup> April)

12.00 pm Informal Holy Communion Chat Room, Alston  
4.00 pm Stations of the Cross St Wulstan, Alston  
7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (RC) St Catherine, Penrith  
7.30 pm Last Supper, Stripping of Altar, Vigil (C of E) St John, Garrigill

#### Good Friday (18<sup>th</sup> April)

11.00 am Prayer Cross (hymns, prayers, passion reading) by Alston Town Hall  
3.00 pm Liturgy of the Passion (RC) St Wulstan, Alston

### Easter

#### Holy Saturday / Easter Eve (19<sup>th</sup> April)

6.00 pm Vigil Mass of Easter (RC) St Wulstan, Alston  
8.30 pm Easter Vigil (C of E) with First Communion of Easter St John, Nenthead

#### Easter Sunday (20<sup>th</sup> April)

6.00 am Sunrise Communion (Methodist) & breakfast Cottage Wood, Calthwaite  
9.30 am Easter Communion (C of E) St Jude, Knaresdale  
9.30 am Easter Communion (C of E) St John, Garrigill  
11.00 am Easter Communion (Methodist) St Wulstan, Alston  
11.00 am Easter Communion (C of E) St Augustine, Alston  
12.00 pm Easter hymns at the Cross Outside the Town Hall  
3.00 pm Easter Communion (C of E) Ss Mary & Patrick, Lambley  
6.00 pm Easter Communion (C of E – BCP) Holy Paraclete, Kirkhaugh

