

Safeguarding

We are committed to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults, to the care and nurture of everyone who is involved in the life of our church families, and to promoting the wellbeing of everyone in the wider communities which we serve.

If you are concerned that a child or adult has been harmed or may be at risk of harm please speak to our safeguarding officer, Karen Morsman (karen@alstonmoorcofe.org.uk or 07930 433407), or Andy (curate.andy@alstonmoorcofe.org.uk or 07375 905246), or contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (see website or noticeboards).

If you have immediate concerns about the safety of someone, please contact the police and your local authority Children or Adults Services at once. For more information and our Safeguarding Policy, see our noticeboards or alstonmoorcofe.org.uk/safeguarding

Please drop Andy a message if you know of any important events coming up soon – or if you have any prayer requests/ intercessions, thanks.

Sunday 12th April 2026

Second Sunday of Easter

This week's readings

Acts 2.14a, 22-32

This first example of apostolic preaching after the Ascension sees the raising of Jesus as fulfilling prophecy. It is meant by God and no mere fluke of nature.

Exodus 14.10-31; 15.20-21

The Israelites try to flee their Egyptian captors. All is in the balance: will they get away or not? With God's help, success is assured.

1 Peter 1.3-9

An exuberant affirmation of Christian belief, written to people who must be ready for their share in Christ's triumph in the long term to be tested by suffering in the short term.

John 20.19-31

Should faith depend on evidence? No, says the Gospel, for that destroys the character of faith itself. Faith is a matter of pure trust. Thomas is a sobering model for us as well as a reassurance.

Thoughts for prayer & reflection

- ✠ We are surely to be content that God's deep-laid providence should be worked out, for the good of all his creatures.
- ✠ Is it not hard to trust when the going is hard? It is also uniquely important and full of reward.
- ✠ Pray for the gift of pure trust, the true sign of love – not demanding proofs or measurable recompense.

Collect for the Week

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.
(or)

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Daily Offices

n.b. Morning/Evening Prayer may not always take
place

Morning Prayer (9am Wed-Sat)

Evening Prayer (5pm Wed, Thu, Sat) in St

Augustine's, Alston and Zoom

Evening Prayer, 6pm Fridays in St John's, Nenthead

Night Prayer, 9pm Fridays on Zoom The Meeting ID
code is 357 123 751

Holy Communion, 12pm Thursdays in the Chat
Room

Sunday services online

Join us at 11am weekly on Zoom using
the app – or, with an ordinary phone,
dial 0203 051 2874. The Meeting ID
code is 357 123 751

Or find us on YouTube –
[youtube.com/@AlstonMoorParishChurches](https://www.youtube.com/@AlstonMoorParishChurches)

This week's meetings and information

Tues 14th Deanery Development Meeting 10am

Tues 14th Section 12 meeting Chat Room

Wed 15th Kirkhaugh Annual Meeting, Pat
Hendersons, 7.30pm

Thr 16th School Breakfast Meeting 8.30

This month the church remembers:

16 *Isabella Gilmore, Deaconess, 1923*

19 *Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012*

21 *Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1109*

23 *George, Martyr, Patron of England, c.304*

24 *Mellitus, Bishop of London, first Bishop at St Paul's, 624*

25 *Mark the Evangelist*

27 *Christina Rossetti, Poet, 1894*

28 *Peter Chanel, Missionary in the South Pacific, Martyr, 1841*

29 *Catherine of Siena, Teacher of the Faith, 1380*

30 *Pandita Mary Ramabai, Translator of the Scriptures, 1922*