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The Second Sunday of Easter – 19th April 2020

**Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!
He is risen indeed, Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Welcome to *The Weekly Notes Online*. We hope to produce and publish these *Notes* each week during this period of 'lockdown'. The Cathedral Office is closed and the office and lay staff have all been furloughed. As a clergy team we are following the instructions of the Government and the Church in Wales and are working in as full a way as possible under the current circumstances and within the current restrictions. These *Notes* include the readings for each Sunday, some prayers of intercession, and our weekly prayer intentions.

As a Cathedral community our thoughts and prayers are with all those who are suffering as a consequence of the covid-19 pandemic. We remember those who are suffering from the virus; we give thanks and praise to God for all who care for them, especially healthcare professionals and all who maintain our hospitals and the National Health Service. We pray too for those who have died and for those who have been bereaved. May the healing mercies of our risen Lord Jesus surround them all.

***We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song!
Pobl Pasg ydym ni, ac Haleliwia yw ein cân!***

The Collect and Readings for today

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. **Amen.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know – this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand

so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, “He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.” This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.’

Acts 2.14a,22-32

Psalm 16 - O Lord, you are my portion and my cup.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the Lord, ‘You are my Lord, my good above all other.’
All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night.
I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit.
You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1.3-9

The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them

again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

John 20.19-31

Prayers of Intercession

The world is full of conflict on an individual and global level. We pray that Christ's peace will bring not only the absence of conflict, but also positive action.

We pray for those who live in places where war destroys and takes societies backwards. May they experience the end of conflict and the possibility of renewal and positive change.

We pray for families who fight among themselves, or who cannot support one another. May they find the love that binds them together.

We pray for those who cannot find peace within themselves. May they turn to God and find the peace of Christ, which passes all understanding.

We pray for the divided Christian Church. May it renew its striving for peace and reconciliation and provide an example of God's peaceable kingdom to the world.

God, whose peace is all-encompassing and calls us to action, permeate the Church and the world with your peace, and inspire us to take action to bring your kingdom to dark places.

THE WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTIONS and PRAYER RESOURCES

Those who have asked for prayer:

Roger Rathbone, Catherine Hughes, Archie Conway-Gardner,
Ray Edwards, Margaret Harries, Valerie Aspden, Alan Robinson.

The long-term sick and housebound, among them:

John Brewster, Mary Wines, Sid Baldwin, Tom Bailey, Dafydd Hughes, Fred Mudge, Marjorie Mudge,

Those who have died recently, including Mary Robertson.

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

19th April George William ROBERTSON, Alec WEAVER, Dora Lily SMITH, Elizabeth May HOPKIN
Joseph Haydn BARTLEY

20th April Leonard Charles FRANKLIN

21st April Edna Maude PEGLER

22nd April Maurice BOND, Leslie FARR, Alun Lewis BRUNT,

23rd April Peggy Doreen REYNOLDS

24th April Islwyn MAZEY, Terry LEWIS

25th April Gladys GOULD

The Cycle of Prayer for this week in the Anglican Communion and this Diocese:

Sunday: The Church of Ireland
The Parish of Penarth & Llandough: The Rev'd Mark Jones

Monday: The Dioceses of Montana in the USA, Wiawso in West Africa & Igobomina - West in Nigeria
The Parish of Penmark with Llancafarn with Llantrithyd: Canon Derek Belcher

Tuesday: The Dioceses of Montreal in Canada, Willochra in Australia & Ijebu in Nigeria
The Parish of Porthkerry & Rhose: The Rev'd Melanie Prince

Wednesday: The Dioceses of Moosonee in Canada & Winchester in England
The Bishop and her family

Thursday: The Dioceses of Moray, Ross & Caithness in Scotland, the Windward Islands in the West Indies
& Wondurba in South Sudan
The Parish of St Andrew's Major & Michaelston-le-Pit: the Rev'd Andrew James

Friday: The Dioceses of Morobo in South Sudan & Worcester in England
The Parish of Sully & the Rev'd Jonathan Ormrod

Saturday: The Dioceses of Morogoro in Tanzania, Wulu in South Sudan & Ijesa North East in Nigeria
The Parish of Wenvoe & St Lythans & the Rev'd Jonathan Ormrod

Dduw hollalluog molwyn dy enw sanctaidd y Pasg llawen hwn. Diolchwn i ti, Arglwydd, am ein bod ni, trwy dy farwolaeth a'th atgyfodiad wedi ennill y fuddugoliaeth a gwaredigaeth dy ras a'th gariad. Dad cariadus, llawn ni â bywyd Newydd fel y gallwyn garu ein gilydd a gwneud yr hyn yr wyt ti am i ne ei wneud trwy rannu dy gariad â'r rhai nad ydynt yn dy adnabod di. Gofynnwn hyn yn enw Iesu. **Amen**

Undeb y Mamau Aipo Rongo, Papua Guinea Newydd.

God Almighty we praise your holy name in this joyful Eastertide. We thank you, Lord, because through your death and resurrection we have won the victory and your redeeming grace and love. Loving Father God, fill us with new life so that we may love one another and do what you want us to do in sharing your love with those who do not know you, in Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**

Aipo Rongo Mothers' Union, Papua New Guinea

A form of intercession for this time of global pandemic:

Let us pray to God, who is our refuge and stronghold and who alone makes us dwell in safety:

For all who are affected by coronavirus, through illness or isolation or anxiety,
that they may find relief and recovery and that we may be alert to their needs,
and care for them in their vulnerability

Lord, hear us, **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who are guiding our nation at this time, and shaping national policies,
that they may make wise decisions:

Lord, hear us, **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For doctors, nurses and medical researchers,
that through their skill and insights many will be restored to health:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For the vulnerable and the fearful, for the gravely ill and the dying,
that they may know your comfort and peace:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.
Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

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