

Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 3rd May-9th May 2026

The Rev's Ramblings

I'm glad I'm not the one who decides who goes to Heaven. That kind of responsibility is too big for any human being. I don't have the wisdom or the full picture of people's lives, hearts, and struggles. When I look at Jesus, He constantly surprised people with who He welcomed.

The religious crowd often had very clear ideas about who was "in" and who was "out," but Jesus kept reaching for the people they had already written off—tax collectors, sinners, outsiders.

It makes me realise how easy it is to get it wrong when we try to judge others.

This reminds me of *The Last Battle*, the final Narnia book. The Dwarves are literally in Aslan's country (aka Heaven), surrounded by incredible food, light, and music—but they can't experience any of it.

They think they're stuck in a dark, miserable stable because they refuse to believe anything else. It's such a strange but powerful picture.

Maybe Heaven is a bit like that. Maybe, through Jesus, the invitation is wider than we think.

Maybe everyone is welcome. But not everyone is willing to see it, trust it, or step into it. Not everyone wants to open their eyes. Those who open their eyes in this life have longer to be blessed by God's gift.

Instead of worrying about where other people stand, it makes me think about my own openness—whether I'm willing to see, receive and be transformed.

I'm glad I'm not a bouncer on Heaven's door!

Prayer focus this week

Pray for the Rt Rev'd Dr Andrew Paul Rumsey who is to become the new Bishop of St Albans later this year.

Locally pray for all who work in our schools and the pupils.

This week's other News

Grovehill Church of the Resurrection presents...

Kate Lindeman



Coloratura Soprano

International Vocalist

SATURDAY 9th MAY - 3pm

Tickets £10 available from Church or through John Haynes or Janet Meacock 07801 946663

Email Janet for info: meacockjanet@gmail.com

Refreshments and Raffle at the interval.

All profits supporting Grovehill Church and Liberty Tea Rooms



Wednesday 27th May
1.30pm at Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

On the road to somewhere

MESSY CHURCH

crafts
games
songs
Bible stories
and food!

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 9th May at 3pm
Kate Lindeman Concert in church.
See poster above for more information.
Tickets now on sale in church.
Card readers available.

Thursday 14th May at 8pm
Deanery Ascension Day Communion Service
At Holy Trinity Church, Leverstock Green

Wednesday 27th May at 1:30pm
Messy Church in church/hall. See poster.

Saturday 30th May at 6pm
Film Night in church.



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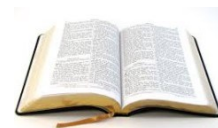
SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 3rd May – Easter 5

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
11:00am ANGLICAN HOLY COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK

Readings this week: Acts 7.55 to end Gospel Reading: John 14.1-14

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
2:00pm-3:00pm COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN IN CHURCH HALL
3:30pm-4:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH
6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH



TUESDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*



MONDAY 4th May – Bank Holiday

TUESDAY 5th May

9:15am-11:35pm DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH
10:00am-12noon CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm WHY'S MEN'S BIBLE AND CHAT GROUP ON ZOOM



WEDNESDAY 6th May

10:30am-12:30pm HEADWAY HERTS (GNA) GROUP IN CHURCH HALL
12noon-1:00pm LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM
7:30pm-9:00pm PCC MEETING IN CHURCH HALL
7:30pm-9:00pm ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH



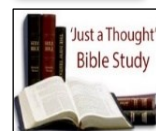
THURSDAY 7th May

9:30am-11:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
1:00pm-2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL



FRIDAY 8th May

2:00pm-3:30pm 'JUST A THOUGHT' BIBLE STUDY IN CHURCH HALL
7:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHILDREN'S PRACTICE IN CHURCH



SATURDAY 9th May

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL
12:15pm-2:05pm TUTORING IN CHURCH HALL
3:00pm KATE LINDEMAN CONCERT IN CHURCH

Next Sunday 10th May - Easter 6

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.
2:00pm-3:00pm COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN IN CHURCH HALL
6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH

* For all Zoom events, please send an email to revaustin@sky.com to receive an invite.

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