



Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 12th April-18th April 2026

The Rev's Ramblings

Puddleglum from 'The Silver Chair' in the Narnia stories might be the gloomiest hero you'll ever meet. As a Marshwiggle, he's basically wired to expect the worst at all times. If there's a bright side, he'll squint at it until it looks like a storm cloud.

He can be a bit exhausting!

But that's exactly what makes him so interesting—and, weirdly, so admirable.

What I love about Puddleglum is that his doubt isn't fake or dramatic. It's real.

He genuinely believes things will go wrong.

Yet when everything does go wrong—when he's trapped underground, cut off from the sun, and even Aslan seems like a distant memory—he makes a choice.

He doesn't suddenly become cheerful or optimistic.

He just refuses to give in. Even if Aslan isn't real, he says, then he'll live as if he is anyway.

That stubborn loyalty, in the middle of fear and uncertainty, feels more powerful than easy belief.

It reminds me a lot of Thomas the Disciple.

Before seeing the risen Jesus, Thomas doubts.

He won't believe without proof, and you can understand why—he's grieving, confused, and trying to make sense of something impossible.

But after he sees Jesus, his doubt turns into one of the strongest declarations of faith. "My Lord and my God!"

Puddleglum sits somewhere between those two moments. He doubts like Thomas before, but acts with the courage of Thomas after. He shows that faith isn't about never questioning—it's about what you choose to hold onto when everything feels uncertain.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for the temporary ceasefire, that controlling powers may see that peace is more effective than destruction.

Locally pray for St Paul's Church, Highfield (Anglican).

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

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 19th April after the Service
APCM/AGM in church. Bring your own food.

Saturday 25th April at 6pm
Film Night in church.

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.



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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

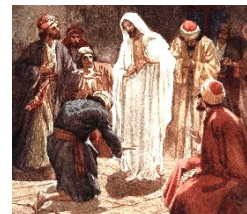


SUNDAY 12th April – Easter 2

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
 11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK
 Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.

Reading this week: Gospel Reading: John 20.19-end

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
 6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH



MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*



MONDAY 13th April

9:30am-12:30pm FUNERAL IN CHURCH
 3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE IN CHURCH HALL



TUESDAY 14th April

9:15am-11:35am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH
 12:00pm-13:00pm DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR COMMITTEE MEETING IN CHURCH
 7:30pm- 9:00pm WHY'S MEN'S BIBLE AND CHAT GROUP ON ZOOM



WEDNESDAY 15th April

12:00pm-2:00pm LADIES' BIBLE STUDY – BYO LUNCH IN CHURCH HALL
 7:30pm-9:00pm ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH



THURSDAY 16th April

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



FRIDAY 17th April

7:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHILDREN'S PRACTICE IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 18th April

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

Next Sunday 19th April - Easter 3

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
 10:00am SHARED REFRESHMENTS IN CHURCH HALL
 11:00am ANGLICAN HOLY COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK
 12:30pm-2:00pm APCM/AGM IN CHURCH – Bring your own food.
 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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