St Chad's Ladybarn



Fourth Sunday of Easter 12 May 2019



"How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." John 10.24

This morning's music

321 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

21 All people that on earth do dwell

595 One more step along the world I go

715 The King of love my shepherd is

702 The Church's one foundation

This morning's readings and prayers

Acts 9.36-43 (reader: Leslie Fletcher); Psalm 23;

Revelation 7.9-17 (reader: Jenny Black);

John 10.22-30 (Gospeller: Helen Reid)

Intercessor: Opal Walsh

Prayer in the silence after communion

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

Collect: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Gospel acclamation Reader: Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Response: Alleluia

Post-Communion: 4th Sunday of Easter

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Easter: Acts II.I-18 (reader: Opal Walsh); Psalm 148; Revelation 21.I-6 (reader: Esther Masih); John 13.31-35 (Gospeller: Mark Hewerdine); Intercessor: Judy/Leslie Fletcher

Thanks to Opal and friends and all who helped with yesterday's Café Concert.

Today

Tuesday 14 May Thursday 16 May

12.15 for 12.30pm in the Hall: Sunday Table, thinking about the story of the Road to Emmaus 7.00pm Holy Communion followed at 7.30pm by first meeting of the new PCC 10.00am Holy Communion

12 - 18 May Sunday -**Saturday** Christian Aid Week: the UK's longest-running fundraising week

Even in the face of the unspeakable suffering of the world, we are given the hope of another possible world; a world that is free from extreme poverty and suffering.

From Christian Aid's message for Easter Day

Events in and around St Chad's

All week

House-to-house collection – please sign up on the list at the back of church. For some streets, just delivering envelopes is all that is required.

Saturday 18 May

Big Brekkie at St Chad's: porridge and pancakes, baguettes and brioche are weapons in the fight to improve maternal health! Please take a poster; offers of help to Leslie Fletcher.

Wednesday 22 May 9.00pm – 10.45pm in Ladybarn Park: Bat walk led by Steve Parker of the South Lancashire Bat Group. An opportunity to see and hear bats and other night life in their natural setting. Organised by the Friends of Ladybarn Park.

Archdeacon's **Visitations**

Thursday 16 May Manchester Cathedral Wednesday 29 May Christ Church, Harpurhey Churchwardens and sidespeople should attend; PCC members and others are encouraged to.

Monday 27 May

Manchester Diocesan Whit Walks – we have been invited to participate again this year. A few people have already expressed interest and there is also interest from neighbouring parishes. If you wish to take part, please speak to Mark or Lewis as soon as you can.