



# St John the Evangelist, Dormansland

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026 –

Easter 4

## Today's Hymns:

### Introit

427 – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

### Offertory

181 – *Good Christians all, rejoice & sing*

### Communion

325 – *Loving shepherd of thy sheep*

### Post Communion

243 – *Immortal love, forever full*

### Collect

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.

# Readings

## First Reading – 1 Peter 2:19-end

For it is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. “He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.” When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## Gospel Reading – John 10:1-10

“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

## **Morning Prayer**

9am Monday - Thursday on Zoom the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81989590555?pwd=MUNnb0NwaUpUbHBiMnQzVm9wd0Q4UT09> Passcode 149674

## **Compline on Zoom**

Wednesday 8pm – Link is:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74615258857?pwd=QXfPyoDEbLeuxPq5sCNBcQDsfcTCgyX.1>

**Meeting ID:** 746 1525 8857

**Passcode:** compline

## **Online Home Group Gathering**

Join Melinda for a contemplative-focussed home group that meets every other Wednesday from 11:00am to 12:00pm on Zoom.

**6/5, 20/5, BREAK, 10/6, 24/6**

This is a space for reflection, connection, and quiet encouragement on our journey of faith. All are welcome.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83085759497?pwd=YIUmUGGMAT8slzZNg0VbjYgZ2ivQZD.1>

**Meeting ID:** 830 8575 9497 **Passcode:** 57N5yU

## One off Events

Meeting Up Together  
We need volunteers to provide cake (homemade or shop bought) on **Tuesdays 18th May & 16th June**.

Please put your name on the rota at the back of the church if you can help, thanks. Annie R

**Meeting Up & Warm Hub**  
**Tuesday 5th & 19th May** 10am-12pm in the Centenary Room.

### **APCM**

Please remember that our APCM will take place after the 10am service on **Sunday 3rd May**.

Please stay and join us as we look back over the year 2025 with thanks to God for how he has blessed St John's during that time, as we place our plans for the future into His hands

### **Hymns and Pimm's** **Sunday 26th July at 2.30pm**

All are invited to an afternoon of singing and sipping as we join together at Felcourt Farm in the Dutch Barn.

Refreshments, calf cuddling and possible tractor rides also included!  
More details to follow....



### **AMEN-GERS MUSIC BAND**

St. John's Dormansland –

**SUNDAY 3rd MAY 2026**

Play the First Hymn on the First Sunday  
10am All age Service, Children/Adults  
Beginners/Advanced

All are welcome to join in!

For details email [mary.ilett@iCloud.com](mailto:mary.ilett@iCloud.com)

Or just turn up at 9:40am

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

### **Alice's Adventures in Wonderland**

at St John's at **2pm on 4th August**.

Suitable for all ages. For more details of how to book 07732 253311

### **Bubble Church**

Our first Bubble Church service will be at **9am on Sunday 3rd May!**

We are looking forward to welcoming 0–7-year-olds and their parents and carers to this wonderful, lively and enjoyable worship service which will continue at 9am on the first Sunday of each month. Please understand if this causes any disruption to our usual rhythm on a Sunday morning

