



St John the Evangelist, Dormansland

Sunday 5th April 2026 –
Easter Day

Today's Hymns:

Introit

267- Jesus Christ is risen today

Offertory

474 – The day of resurrection

Communion

495 – The strife is o'er, the battle done

Post Communion

503 – Thine be the glory

Collect

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Readings

Gospel Reading – John 20 : 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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.

8/4, 22/4, 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 21st April, 18th May & 16th June**. Please put your name on the rota at the back of the church if you can help, thanks. Annie R

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
Or just turn up at 9:40am
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Easter Services
Sunday 5th April - 10am
All Age Easter Day
Service followed by
Easter Egg hunt in the
churchyard



St John's Electoral Role Revision
From **29th March until 12th April** the electoral roll of St John's is being revised. There will be forms at the back of the church or please ask Kathy Cobby for more information and/or if you would like to come onto the electoral roll.

Meeting Up & Warm Hub
Tuesday 7th & 21st April.
10am-12pm in the
Centenary Room.

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

APCM
Please remember that our APCM will take place after the 10am service on
Sunday 26th April.
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

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