



Seacroft Churches

putting heart and soul into LS14

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! EASTER 2: Sun 24 April 2022

THIS SUNDAY

See over for our readings and special prayers.

9.30am	All Together Service (with communion)	St J's
11.30am	Christening today	St J's
10am	Eucharist Service	St R's

THIS WEEK

MONDAY	Bell-ringing practice	St J's
TUESDAY	11am Funeral Valerie Beadman RIP	St J's
	FOOD SUPPORT DAY	St R's
URGENT: NEED FOR FOOD GIFTS PLEASE.	9.30am Prayers for the community	
	11.30-2.30am Tea and Toast (upstairs)	
	12.15-2.30 FOODBANK & PARISH LARDER	
WEDNESDAY	10am Ladies Group	St J's
	10.30am Mid week communion	St J's
	1pm NO Little Angels this week	St J's
	1.30pm Ladies Group	St R's Crypt
	2.30pm Funeral of Doreen Ford RIP	St J's
THURSDAY	9.30 'We are Seacroft'	zoom
	11.30-1.30pm 'Place of Welcome' Cafe	St R's
	2pm Prayer and Praise	Woodview
	5pm Beavers	St R's
	6pm Scouts	St R's
	6pm Narcotics Anonymous	St R's crypt
FRIDAY	9am staff prayers and meeting	
	10.15am Funeral of Maud Cote RIP	St J's
	4-6pm Youth club (8-11yrs)	St R's
	7-9pm Youth Club (11+)	
SATURDAY	11am-1pm dance group upstairs	St R's
	1-3pm - dance group chill ~ downstairs	St R's

NEXT SUNDAY Readings: Acts 9.1-6 [7-20], Psalm 30; John 21.1-19

9.30am	Eucharist service	St J's
10am	EUCCHARIST	St R's
11.30	Baptism	St J's
	APCM—postponed til 29th May.	
2pm	Baptism	St J's
	No youth church this week.	St R's

Welcome

If you're a newcomer today we are very glad you've joined us for worship. Please stay for refreshments after the service and say hello. Everyone is welcome in the churches in Seacroft

Parish:

St Richard's, St James' and St Paul's.

THANK YOU!

...for all the support over the Easter. We had an amazing turnout and blessed atmosphere in all three churches!

'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation...present your requests to God,' Phil 4.6

In our prayers this week:
We thank God for signs of new life. We pray for our baptism families, and our youth work starting again after the holidays. We pray for the Ukraine, all those in food crisis and for all those ill or grieving.

NEWS

Our annual general meeting is now on Sun 29 May.
Please pick up a copy of our accounts today, think about getting involved in church life by joining the church membership (called the 'electoral role') or join the PCC—see Dave or Rev Anne. PCC forms are at the back of church.

BE COVID AWARE:

We encourage people to sanitise their hands and wear face-masks in our church buildings.
Thanks.

Sunday 24 April 2022

The second Sunday of Easter

A special prayer for today ('the collect')

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

Readings

Acts 5.27-32

27 When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them,²⁸ saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.'²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority.'³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree.³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Psalm 150

- 1 Alleluia.
O praise God in his holiness; •
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; •
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the trumpet; •
praise him upon the harp and lyre.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dances; •
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with ringing cymbals; •
praise him upon the clashing cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath •
praise the Lord.
Alleluia.

Revelation 1.4-8

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

8 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 20.19-end

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵ So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out



your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'²⁸ Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

A prayer following communion

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.