

## NEWSWIRE: 17th April 2026

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### ***A message from Margaret***

*'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?'*

*The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*1 Corinthian 15:56-57*

Today is the anniversary of the death of Benjamin Franklin in 1790, one of the founding fathers of the United States of America. Not content with being a significant political figure in the creation of his country, he was also a printer, a postmaster, an author and an inventor whose inventions included diverse things like bifocals, swim fins and the lightening rod.

Franklin once said 'There never was a good war or a bad peace' so I think it's fair to say he would probably not have approved of the current government's actions in USA.

But he also said 'In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes'. As someone who worked as a tax adviser for over 40 years, I can confirm that his expectation that taxes are always with us is sadly correct, even if the exact type and rates may vary. It is also true that we will all die eventually here on this earth.

But Easter reminds us anew that the certainty of death was torn apart on that first Easter morning when Jesus broke its power and rose to life again. Yes, your body may die, but Jesus promises us a new heaven and a new earth, indeed with new bodies, changed and alive and living with Him forever. That is more certain even than taxes!

Alleluia, Christ Has Risen

## Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

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### SERVICES ON SUNDAY

#### 9.30 - Holy Communion at St Peter's

*Readings: 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35*

#### 10.30am - Holy Communion at St Leonard's and live streamed on [this link](#)

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If you have difficulties accessing the service on the livestream link above, please try accessing [our youtube channel](#) directly.

### NEXT WEEK

#### Monday 20th April

**Bump to One meet on Mondays from 10.30am to midday in St Leonard's.**

**Walkie Talkies meet on Mondays (term time) from 10am to 11.30am in St Leonard's church hall.**

#### Tuesday 21st April

**Tinies and Toddlers meet on Tuesdays (term time) from 1.30pm - 3pm in Cassington Village Hall.**

#### Wednesday 22nd April

**Warm Welcome Wednesday from 10.30am to midday in St Leonard's Church**

### SUNDAY - 26th April

**9am - Holy Communion at St Leonard's**

**10.30am - All age service at St Leonard's and livestreamed**

**4pm - St Peter's Annual Meetings followed by Evening Prayer at 5pm**

**7pm - Revive Eynsham at the Baptist Church**

## Looking further ahead

**Sunday 3rd May - St Leonard's Annual Church Meeting** following the morning service which will be held at **10am**

**A memorial service for the late Enid Anderson** will be held at **St Leonard's** church at **2pm** on Wednesday **6th May**.

**The funeral of the late Alec Harris** will be held at **St Leonard's** church at **2pm** on **Monday 11th May**.

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**Revive Eynsham!**  
**Sunday, April 26**  
**@ Eynsham Baptist Church**

7.00 p.m.—an opportunity for local  
Christians to worship together  
and pray for our village.  
Refreshments served afterwards



**Revive Eynsham - 7pm on Sunday 26th April at the Baptist church.** We will be joining in prayer with fellow Christians from the village. The next Revive at St Leonard's will be on 7th June.

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**St Peter's APCM** - The annual meetings at St Peter's will be held at **4pm** on **Sunday 26th April** in church. Follow the links to see the [2025 Accounts](#), [Annual Report](#), [Agenda](#) and [Minutes of the last APCM](#). There are also printed copies in church.

**St Leonard's APCM** - The annual meetings at St Leonard's will be held after the 10am service on **Sunday 3rd May**.

There are a number of vacancies for members of the [Parochial Church Council](#) and Deanery Synod representatives in both parishes. Should you be interested in serving on either, please speak to Duncan or any member of the PCC.

## St Leonard's Environment Working Group – Get Involved



**ECO CHURCH**  
AN A ROCHA UK PROJECT

The PCC has recently approved [St Leonard's new Environment Policy](#), developed as we use the [A Rocha Eco Church](#) framework to work towards a Bronze Award.

We're now forming an Environment Working Group to help take this forward. You don't need lots of time or expertise—just a willingness to support the policy and contribute what you can.

If you'd be interested in getting involved, we'd love to hear from you. Please speak to Sally Owen or Margaret Johnson or email us ([just4sally@gmail.com](mailto:just4sally@gmail.com) or [madevereux@hotmail.com](mailto:madevereux@hotmail.com))



### NO SBTW this week...

We will be giving April a miss and then having some more sessions throughout the rest of the year. ....

*Duncan*

### Please pray for:

- Dave following his move to a care home.
- Ben and healing for his mental health.
- Katie suffering with epilepsy. Please pray that the right medication be found to control her seizures.

To add names to the prayer list, please contact the Church Office ([stleonards\\_stpeters@btconnect.com](mailto:stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com)) Names will be added to the list by express permission, and only first names will be published.

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