

The United Benefice of Cogenhoe and Great Houghton
and Little Houghton with Brafield on the Green

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COLLECT

Almighty Father, who to 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread, open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Diary of Events this week

Monday 16 April

6.45 p.m. Choir Practice

7.45 p.m. Bell Ringing Practice, Cogenhoe

Tuesday 17 April

10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning, 14 Mill Lane, Cogenhoe

Wednesday 18 April

7.45 p.m. Bell Ringing Practice, Brafield

Thursday 19 April

Alphege, Archbishop, Martyr, 1012

8.00 a.m. Said Eucharist, Cogenhoe

(please note the change of time)

12.00 noon Midday Prayers and Lunch, Little Houghton

Friday 20 April

9.00 a.m. Coffee Morning, Cogenhoe Primary School

Saturday 21 April

Anselm, Abbot, Archbishop

Sunday 22 April

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

8.00 a.m. Prayer Book Communion, Brafield

9.30 a.m. Family Service, Cogenhoe

11.00 a.m. Family Communion, Great Houghton

6.00 p.m. Sung Evensong, Little Houghton

Daily Reading

Exod 19

Exod 20.1-21

Exod 24

Exod 25.1-22

Exod 28.1-4,29-38

Exod 29.1-9

Psalms 23

Acts 4.5-12

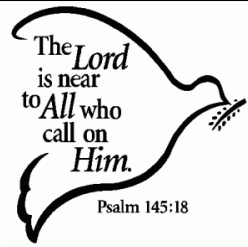
John 10.11-18

We are so often caught up in our destination that we forget to appreciate the journey, especially the goodness of the people we meet on the way. Appreciation is a wonderful feeling, don't overlook it.

Anon

If you would like anything on the news sheet, please let Joy Hodge know by Thursday evening.
tel: 899066 or e mail joy.hodge@hotmail.co.uk

Father God, we pray for all those who are facing sickness in their bodies or minds. Especially Peter Roberts, Tony Newton, Ron Corin, Doreen Gibson, Ann Cadd,



Soothe their pain and ease their worry.
Give them your peace and comfort. **Amen.**

Please pray for all who have died in the faith of Christ and whose anniversaries fall at this time

THE GOSPEL - Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Midweek service

Please note that the Thursday service at Cogenhoe will now be held at 8 a.m.

FIRST READING - Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you." And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

SECOND READING - 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

**"Come to the Table"
Benefice Together Day
Sunday 29th April 10:00am – 4:00pm**

Have you ever wondered **why** the church and vicar are dressed in a particular colour? Or **what** is the significance of the different candles in church? This is a day to deepen our understanding of our worship by unpacking the meaning of the traditions we have. As well as sharing in the ritual meal of the Holy Communion we will also enjoy fellowship together over a Bring and Share lunch.