# THE HUB — By Revd. Canon David Baldwin

Last week saw three more APCMs completed - that is eleven in total and there is only one left in May at Drimpton. Thank you to those parishes who have sent in the details of officers and elected representatives to Anne already. I have had a request from Janet Jackson, the present Lay Chair of Deanery Synod and Acting Secretary that she would like the email addresses of all Deanery synod members in order to invite them to the first sitting of the newly elected synod. Please could you send these to the office and I will coordinate sending them to Janet.

It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of Margaret Grant this week. Margaret acted as Sacristan and Verger for many years at Beaminster and was known and respected by many families who she had helped at Funerals, Weddings and Baptisms. Margaret served on the PCC and was also a member of Beaminster Church Choir as well as The Beaminster Singers. Over the last couple of years she lived in Abbeyfields where she received Holy Communion monthly which was taken to her by Gill Perrott and the team. Margaret's funeral service will be on Monday 15th May at 2.00 pm in her beloved St Mary's Beaminster.

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# **Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2.14a, 36-41 Psalm 116. 1-3, 10-17 1 Peter 1. 17-23 Luke 24. 13-35

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#### Collect

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.

### 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.

Please take this copy of Pew News away with you for reference during the week.

If you would like material about Church events included in the Pew News, please bring it to the Church Office, or e-mail beaminsterteam@gmail.com by 9am on the Wednesday before publication.

#### First Reading — Acts 2.14a, 36-41

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

#### Gospel Reading — Luke 24. 13-35

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.

Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## What's happening in the Team this week

For more details of local events, please see Team News

Wed 26 April 10am Holy Communion St Mary's, Beaminster 11-12.30pm Walk in Wednesday St Mary's, Beaminster

Eco Pause for Thought... Damaged patches on lawns can be mended by sprinkling grass seed over the bare soil or replacing with turf.