PARISH OF GREAT YARMOUTH

GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER + ST PAUL'S + ST MARY'S

Sunday 4th May 2025 Third Sunday of Easter

Service Today:

9.30 Eucharist at St. Paul's

10.30 Sung Eucharist at The Minster

11.00 Eucharist at St. Mary's

18.00 Evensong

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Reflection

It was lovely to notice Morris dancers in the town on May Day: dancing in the Market Place and also outside Blackfriars Tavern. The joyful noise they make brings a smile to peoples' faces as they find themselves caught up in the glee whilst they pass by on their daily chores. Joy is found in the ordinary.

This Sunday's Gospel draws us to the lakeshore. It's a familiar place where the disciples, still dazed by reports of a risen Jesus, return to what they know: fishing. Here in the ordinary Jesus meets them. The miraculous catch of fish reminds them who He is. The fire on the shore, the shared breakfast, and the quiet moment with Peter — all tell us that the risen Christ is not distant or aloof. He is deeply personal. He is with us.

Easter is not a one-day event but is a season, a journey, a deepening revelation. This is why the season of Easter lasts many weeks; so we can take time to fathom the mystery first witnessed by the disciples and claim that in the ordinariness of our own lives today. Father Simon

This Week's Diary

Minster open daily 10am-12pm Morning Prayer is said daily Tuesday - Thursday in the Minster at 9am All welcome

Date			
Mon 5 th		Bank Holiday	
Tues 6 th	12.00	Lunchtime Eucharist	Minster
Wed 7 th	10.00	Mid-Week Eucharist	St. Mary's
	10.00	Minster Coffee Morning	Minster
	18.30	Eucharist followed by PCC Meeting	Minster
Thurs 8 th	9.00	VE Day Flag Ceremony	Town Hall
	10.00	BCP Eucharist	St. Mary's
	11.00	VE Day Service	St. George's Park
	17.00	Bell Ringers Practice	Minster
	19.00	Choristers	Minster
	19.00	Choir Rehearsal	Minster
Fri 9 th	19.00	Handbell Ringers Rehearsal	Minster
Sat 10 th	10.00	Vestry Hour	Minster
	12.30	Bingo	St. Mary's
Sun 11 th		Fourth Sunday of Easter	
	09.30	Eucharist	St Paul's
	10.30	Sung Eucharist	Minster
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Notices

GY & WW2 Exhibition 3rd – 17th May, 10am-12noon at the Minster. Free admission, all welcome.

VE Day will be marked in the Town with a flag raising ceremony at 9am at the Town Hall and 11am in St George's Park. An exhibition will be in the Minster exploring the history of Great Yarmouth in WW2.

A small working group looking at the way we communicate news and events to the public is meeting for the first time at Revd Liz's house on Monday 12th May at 7pm. If you would like to come along speak to Revd Liz for details.

St. Paul's Bingo Saturday 17th May (not 10th as per the magazine), 6.45pm for 7pm start, all welcome.

There will be a parish trip to Emmaus at Ditchingham on Sunday 22nd June. Stay for a bring and share lunch at the Minster and then we'll set off in cars around 1.15pm. Lifts are available. There will be a short tour of the grounds and then a chance to browse the shop and spend time in the gardens and cafe. Return at 4pm. Please add your name to the sign up sheet or speak to Revd Liz.

The Orchestra of the Academy of St Nicholas You are cordially invited to join our exclusive festival orchestra which we wish to be the official orchestra of the Church of St Nicholas Great Yarmouth Minster. If you or someone you know plays an instrument and would like to join us please contact Joe Knight, music@gtyarmouthminster.org.

Notice Sheet is emailed every week: if you wish to be on the mailing list please email: office@gtyarmouthminster.org The **Revd Jassica Castillo-Burley** will be licensed by the Bishop of Norwich on Sunday 15th June at 3pm.

PARISH PRAYER LIST. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Kevin, Janet, Jim, Pauline, Brenda, Jeff, Veronica. We remember before God the recently departed: Robin Dunn.