

This Week's News and Notices

- ♦ **Tescos Tokens:** It looks like we finished in second place behind the Adventure Playground. This means £2K for our appeal. Huge thanks to everyone who made this possible.
- ♦ **Gentle Reminders from recent pew leaflets** (full details on website):
 - ◇ **Oasis:** The next session is **Friday 17th May from 7pm to 9pm**. There is still time to enrol.
 - ◇ **Summer Fete Church Representative:** We still need someone to attend a few meetings with our school between now and 29th June to set up our Fete.
 - ◇ **Fabric/Buildings Committee:** We still need a few people to join this new group which will tackle appropriate maintenance issues and perhaps meet about four times a year.
 - ◇ **Contactless Card Reader:** Please do bring in your card and use the card reader to make your contribution for Christian Aid as we evaluate the card reader for contributions to our church.
 - ◇ **The Taplow Christmas Card:** The possible photographs are still displayed for you to indicate which you like the best.
 - ◇ **Invitation to Rochester Cathedral to hear our Choir:** There are still spaces on the coach for Monday, 27th May; have a word with Judy.
 - ◇ **St Nicolas Church Concert:** Taplow Girls' Choir and Ascot Brass are joining forces once again at **7:00pm on Saturday, 11th May**.
 - ◇ **Burnham Abbey:** The sisters continue to look for someone to plan and serve meals (7-10 people). Do you know anyone who might be interested in part-time, self-employed work for a very worthy cause? Again, full details on the website.

Services/Events next Week

Wednesday, (8th): 12:00 to 3:00pm—Open Wednesday with a Service at 12:30 followed by Ploughman's Lunch.

Sunday, 12th May: 4th Sunday of Easter

09:15—Matins at St Anne's Church, Dropmore

10:45—Parish Communion at St Nicolas Church, Taplow

Further information on **St Nicolas Church Website:** <http://st-nicolas-taplow.org>

If you need to **contact the Vicar**, you can ring her on 01628 661182 or email her: janeecresswell523@gmail.com

Notices in the Pew Leaflet: If you have a notice or news for the *Pew Leaflet*, please email it to [Jim Oliver \(oliverjim1@sky.com\)](mailto:oliverjim1@sky.com) by the end of the Wednesday preceding the Sunday date you want it in.

 <p>We are part of</p>	St Anne's Church, Littleworth Common St Nicolas' Church, Taplow 3rd Sunday of Easter Sunday, 5th May, 2019	
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Faithful to God

Caring for each other

Serving the Community

Welcome to this morning's Holy Communion Service and a particular welcome to Revd Derek Barnes who is leading our worship today. At St Nicolas, children are invited to Sunday School at the end of the first hymn.

Collect (or Prayer for Today)

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.

First Reading: Acts 9:1-6 *The Conversion of Saul*

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord

said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

The Gospel: John 21: 1-19 *Jesus Appears to Seven Disciples*

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some."



So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But

the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Post Communion Prayer

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.

Anthem: *Jubilate* Trad. Anglican chant
