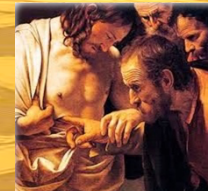


# Anglican Church of San Fulgencio, Spanish Episcopal Church

## Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 27 April 2025 ❖ Second Sunday of Easter



**WELCOME:** A warm welcome to this week's church newsletter. *A blessed and peaceful Easter to all.*

**EASTER HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN!** This Sunday, 27 April – we are seven days on from the morning of the empty tomb. Yet, Easter has only just begun. Easter is not just one day, but fifty days. Not just one day, but an entire season of the church year. Fifty days to celebrate the joy of the resurrection of Christ.

Every year, on the **Second Sunday of Easter**, we hear the story of the disciples hiding behind a locked door and Jesus appearing to them. The story of Thomas missing the whole thing, refusing to believe it and Jesus returning a second time, a week later to appear to Thomas and reveal his wounds.

### WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS:

*Pope Francis on compassion:*

*"The Lord never tires of forgiving."*

*It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness."*

*Pope Francis on the environment*

*"As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family."*

*When we destroy our forests, ravage our soil and pollute our seas, we betray that noble calling."*

*Pope Francis on hope:*

*"Although the life of a person*

*is in a land full of thorns and weeds,*

*there is always a space in which the good seed can grow.*

*You have to trust God."*

*May Pope Francis, rest in peace.*

*Come, Holy Spirit.*

**THE USE OF THE NICENE CREED:** In early Christian worship, Creeds were not used in Holy Communion. After the Nicene Creed was formulated in the 4th and 5th centuries, it was not introduced into Western liturgies (Latin) until the 9th century. Praying the Creed during Holy Communion did not become a universal practice in the West until the 11th century.

During the week, in Morning and Evening Prayer, and in celebrations of Holy Communion, the Creed may be omitted. In the Anglican tradition, the Nicene Creed and Apostle Creed are the norm for Sundays and festivals; however, authorized **Affirmations of Faith** are also permitted.

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** Please pray for the *Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean*.

**NEWSLETTER NOTICES:** Please send all notices to Rev Richard – [rev.rdm@gmail.com](mailto:rev.rdm@gmail.com)

## Services

### This Sunday

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 27 April

10.15 am Morning Prayer

+zoom



*'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe'*

### This Week

Wednesday 30 April

12 noon Worship on Wed

+zoom

### Next Sunday

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 4 May

10.15 am Holy Communion

+zoom

### Next Week

Wednesday 7 May

12 noon Worship on Wed

+zoom

### Future Services

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 11 May

10.15 am Morning Prayer

+zoom

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 18 May

10.15 am Holy Communion

+zoom

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 25 May

10.15 am Morning Prayer

+zoom

We are an English-speaking Anglican congregation under the care of Bishop Carlos López-Lozano, of the Spanish Episcopal Church, *Iglesia Española Reformada Episcopal (IERE)*. We follow the liturgy of the Church of England.



We gather for worship in the side chapel of the Roman Catholic church in San Fulgencio and on Zoom  
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