

**10 reasons for Christians to vote  
from the Book 'Just Politics' with Krish Kandiah.**

- 1) Voting publicly recognises that **we submit** to the authority of the political system in our nation as established by God. (Romans 13 v1-7)
- 2) Voting recognises the **equality of all people** and their right to speak and be heard. (Deut. 10v17-19)
- 3) Voting is one way that we can obey God's command **to seek the good** of those around us and our nation as a whole. (Jeremiah 29 v7)
- 4) Voting shows that **we care deeply** about who our leaders are as we are urged to offer prayer and intercession on their behalf. (1Tim 2 v1-2)
- 5) Voting is a **simple yet significant** way we can do something about politics in our nation. 'All that is required for evil to prevail is for good men to do nothing', Edmund Burke (Psalm 34v14)
- 6) Voting **makes a difference** the way a grain of salt makes a difference, and that is how we are to influence society. (Matt 5 v13)
- 7) Voting is a **privilege** not to be taken for granted. Those of us who reap the benefits of living in a democracy should play a part in upholding the principles of democracy.
- 8) Not voting is a form of voting, as it will influence the outcome. We need to take **responsibility** for our actions, as well as our lack of actions. (Luke10 v 25-37)
- 9) Voting is a **part of our stewardship** to use all the resources we have been given in ways that honour God; to waste a vote is to squander a gift.
- 10) Voting is the way we **delegate our own responsibility** to take care of the plant to others more capable, so we can pursue our own vocation.

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**Bincombe with Broadway  
Upwey and Buckland Ripers** 

**Please take these notes away with you**

**Do not apologise for following Jesus**

**Welcome to Church today**

**25th**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**OK then... but who is this Jesus..?**

Broadway	10.30am	Family Worship and Baptism (Rector)
Bincombe	9.15am	Morning Service (Terry Landsbert)
Upwey	10.30am	Family Worship (Terry & Alex Landsbert)
		Followed by Annual Church Meeting
Buckland	9.15am	Holy Communion (Rector)
		Acts 9: 36 - 43; Revelation 7: 9 - 17; John 10: 22-30 <b>pp 869ff</b>
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**The Prayer for Today**

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Introduction to the Peace**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples  
and said, 'Peace be with you.'  
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.  
The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

**COMMUNION** We welcome all who are members of their own Churches to receive the sacrament at any of our Communion Services.

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Lord Jesus Christ  
alive and at large in the world,  
help me to follow and find you there today,  
in the places where I work,  
meet people, spend money, make plans.  
Take me as a disciple of your Kingdom,  
to see through your eyes,  
and hear the questions you are asking,  
to welcome all people with your trust and truth,  
and to change the things that contradict God's love,  
by the power of the cross  
and the freedom of your Spirit. Amen

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**Today's Gospel John 10.22-30**

The time came for the Feast of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the temple area walking in Solomon's Colonnade. The Jews gathered round him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no-one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no-one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

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**Break our hearts - With the things that break Yours  
And send us out to shine in the darkness  
It's time for us to live the songs we sing  
And turn our good intentions into action  
To bring the kind of worship you desire  
And move beyond our self-absorbed distractions.**



**At Our Family Worship at St Nicholas Broadway**  
this morning, we welcome the family and friends of  
Sam Webb who have come for his Baptism.

<b>Notices</b>	<b>Benefice Website - <a href="http://www.theweytojesus.org.uk">www.theweytojesus.org.uk</a></b>
Monday	7.00pm Chat and Prayers at the Rectory
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting for Bincombe and Broadway at St Nicholas Broadway</b>
Tuesday	10.00am Holy Communion at St Laurence Upwey
Thursday	10.00am Holy Communion at St Nicholas Broadway
Saturday	7.30am Men's Breakfast at St Nicholas Broadway

**May 2nd**

Broadway	10.30am	Family Service (Revd Pat Jones)
Bincombe	9.15am	Holy Communion (Rector)
Upwey	10.30am	Parish Communion (Rector)
Buckland	6.00pm	Evening Service (Rector)

Acts 11: 1- 18; Revelation 21: 1 – 6; John 13: 31 - 35 **pp 872ff**  
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**Bible push for British Christians**

A major campaign to boost churchgoers' use of the Bible and confidence in handling it will be launched this autumn. Bible Society, Scripture Union and Wycliffe announced plans for a co-ordinated approach to stimulate Bible reading as part of the *Biblefresh* campaign which is preparing churches for the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible next year. The E100 Bible Reading Challenge homes in on 100 'Essential' Bible passages, 50 from each Testament, designed to give a good understanding of the whole Bible. The challenge can be tailored to local churches and hopes are for a widespread take-up next year.

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**The Upwey St George's Day Supper at the Old School raised  
£820 for St Laurence Church Fabric Funds.**