

St Mary's News

Sunday 7 March 2021

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Today

3rd Sunday of Lent

10am Holy Communion via
Zoom

Readings:

Exodus 20: 1-17

John 2: 13-22



Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

Amen

Next week

Mothering Sunday

10am Holy Communion via
Zoom

Readings:

Exodus 2: 1-10

Luke 2: 33-35



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who all who live and work in The High Street, the Castle and The Square.

We pray for those who have recently died:

Ken Terry

Shirley Trevill

Jill Brown

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Mark Dickinson (7th)

Pat Booker (9th)

George Warn (9th)

Craig Barber (10th)

Trevor Widdicombe (11th)

Amy Jane Lax (11th)

This Week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
6pm Compline (F)

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)
6.30pm Lent Course via zoom

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am-12.30pm Church open
for private prayer and Food Bank
6pm Compline (F)

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Friday

Saturday

F = services via Facebook Live

Zoom Coffee

After today's service, why not join us for a virtual coffee and chat via Zoom. It will take place just after the 10am Zoom service – no need to leave and come back.



Easter Sunday 4 April

It has been agreed with the PCC, and ratified by Bishop James, that we are to return to in-person worship at St Mary's on Easter Sunday at 10 am!

We will still have to comply with social distancing and all that we were doing before. Therefore places are limited to 40; tickets will be available via Eventbrite. However, before these can be booked, we are offering them first to those who have been less able to access our services on Zoom. If you can think of anyone who hasn't been on Zoom but might like to come please point them in the direction of Janice or me and we shall book them in.

The Eventbrite link for all remaining tickets will go out in the next week or so, but the service will also be Zoomed.

Following Easter we shall try and do without Eventbrite, but as we still need to maintain distancing we will need to be sensible and sensitive with each other, and not be too offended if we can't squeeze everyone in every week.

I am hoping that on Easter Sunday we shall not only have the service you have been used to on Zoom, but shall also have some bells rung, some flowers and even some extra music. It is going to be a journey back to 'normal' but I hope it will begin on the day of resurrection.

Rev'd Paul

Lent Course via Zoom

Every Tuesday at 6.30pm until 23 March. Kelly is leading us through Archbishop Stephen Cottrell's book *The Nail*. This great little book looks at the story of Jesus' passion through the eyes of five different characters. If you would like to take part in this journey though Lent the book can be ordered online

Easter Flowers in Church

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please hand the money and their name to Rev'd Paul or Janice by Tuesday 30 March.
Thank you



Wanted:

PCC Minute Taker

Or why not go the whole hog and become PCC Secretary? To reduce Martin's workload we do need, at the very least, to find someone who can take the minutes of PCC meetings every other month - just 6 times a year!! More information from Paul or Martin.

Lent Appeal 2021

The Lent Appeal this year will be in aid of the Delhi Brotherhood, a small group of priests who support the needy and vulnerable in and near Delhi through education and training, night shelter, Childline, old people's home, etc., etc. We have supported the Delhi Brotherhood for over 30 years; several of them have visited us here, and some of us have stayed with them in Delhi and seen first-hand the good work that they do. You can find out more on:

www.delhibrotherhood.org.

Last year they were facing the challenges of lower income, exacerbated by funds from a US charity being blocked by the Indian government, and the need to help feed people whose livelihoods were affected by Covid-19. We were able to make a substantial donation in August and hope, with your help, to be able to support them again.

Hospital Car Service

If you need transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881.



Evening Zoom Talk

**THIS COMING WEDNESDAY
10 March**

Starts at 7.30pm.

Despite the restrictions imposed due to the current pandemic still in place, there is light at the end of the tunnel. Why not join us for an upbeat talk by Vanessa Bird titled "LIFE AFTER COVID – REASONS TO BE CHEERFUL".



APCM & Electoral Roll

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place in church on Sunday 25 April after the 10am Sunday service. It will also be live-streamed via Zoom for those who cannot attend in person.

If you or anyone you know may wish to join the Electoral Roll please contact Martin Massy (851519) or download the form from St Mary's website [here](#).

Churchwardens are elected annually, and two members of the PCC will be coming to the end of their terms. Nomination forms are available from Martin and, from Easter Sunday, will also be available in church.

Who's who at St Mary's?

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Church Wardens

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Honorary Treasurer

Martin Massy (01732 851519)
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Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (07570 941809)
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PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information:

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell (Deanery Synod rep.); Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Julia Miles; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt; and other members.

PCC Secretary:

Martin Massy
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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.