

# St. Mary the Virgin

Week beginning 28th March 2021.

Some **very good news** we will be back in church on Easter Sunday with obviously all the protection still in place. Please remember though there is still no heating.

Services for Holy week will be on the website.

**APCM** – I have got the nomination forms that you need to nominate Church Wardens or PCC members. I can email them to you or print for you to collect from me. We need at least 1 new church warden and members of the PCC.

Piglet and Young Akela aka Nikki and Jackie are running a 10k on 3<sup>rd</sup> April and are looking for donations for the stage curtains (total cost £4.000). To donate please go to their gofundme account Piglet and Young Akela do their best!! or contact them direct. PLEASE and THANK YOU.

## **Please Pray for the following:**



Paul Allen, Diane Talling, Michael Callaghan, Chris Lawson, Michael Baxter, Bertie, Eileen Wiltcher,

John Tomsett, Julie Dow, Boy and Marion, Angela Bailey, Gillian T, Stuart, Ruth Dykes

Colin Winstone, Amara, Avril, Rachel, Victoria Nobes, Alan Wiltcher Stephen North, Rhian Jack. Jenny

Ann and Brian Carnie, Ross, Jamie-Lynn Port, , Ros Collins, Julian, Shanti, Anne Cobbold, Jeremy D. Angela.

Julie-Ann and family, Maddie and her family, Lindsay Wyatt, Raymond Henn, Irene Fielding. Wilma Macdonald

Bob. Cordery Esme. .Rachel and Chris, Joe and Lisa, Kezia Iris Lock. Amelia Cope. Pat Webb Maddie.

. Barbara Falkerwitz . James Brokenshire, Bob Keys Jennie Adair. Esther Amaning and family.

**Recently departed:** Rev. Jean Griffiths (April 7<sup>th</sup> The service will be on zoom details from me). Alan Bailey. Tracey Franklin. (1<sup>st</sup> April details on the WhatsApp group)

**Years mind for week beginning Sun:** Elizabeth Meacher **Tues:** Donald McCormack **Fri:** Lily Gillett.

## **Readings for Easter Day.**

Acts 10. 34 – 43. 1 Corinthians 15. 1 – 11. John 20. 1 – 18.

## **This Week's Services**

**Sundays** – 10.00am Church service **Wed** – 10.00am **Thurs** – 7.30pm will be on zoom Code 552 850 6788 password. 180615 psalm and service for Palm Sunday are attached to the email. Please continue to say prayers for the parish and the nation at **12.00noon** please note change of time. Fr. Neil will be working Wed. Thur Fri.this week.

## **Birthdays This Week**

**Sun:** Jean Thompson,

## **Directory**

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We also have a WhatsApp group Andy Hiron is admin.

### **Finance**

Any new regular payments or one-off donations will be welcome, to help us through this ongoing challenging time.

Our bank details are: PCC St Mary the Virgin – Sort Code: 20-06-72 Account No: 80692638

**Thank you for your continued support.**

We believe in the equality of all peoples and value the richness that comes with racial and ethnic diversity. Racism is a sin; as such we oppose racism in all its forms.

There is neither Jew nor Greek... you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:28

### **FIRST READING Isaiah 50.4–9a**

**A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.**

The servant of the LORD said: The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

## **SECOND READING Philippians 2.5–11**

**A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.**

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death –even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **GOSPEL Mark 11.1–11**

**Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.**

When Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

