



St Mary the Virgin, Rickmansworth

The Church of England and The Methodist Church in Partnership
Serving the whole community

Welcome to St Mary's!

Sunday 18th March 2018: Passion Sunday



If you are new, feel free to pick up a Welcome Pack. Also, fill in a Welcome Card, handing it to one of the Sidespeople (who gave you a book as you arrived). Please join us for refreshments after the morning Services.

8.00am Said Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Rev'd David Smith

Collect: The Fifth Sunday in Lent BCP Pg 94

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34 [OT 746]; Hebrews 5:5-10 [NT 217];
John 12: 20-33 [NT 103]

10.00am Sung Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Rev'd Richard Lowson

Readings: As above

Collect: Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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

Introduction

All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.
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Gluten free
communion
bread
is available.

Gospel Acclamation: Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

Post-Communion Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

6.00pm Said Evening Prayer

Minister: Michael Baker

For Your Prayers

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| We pray for: | Victims of bullying |
| We pray for the work of: | Watford Sheltered Workshop, a charity we support |
| Our School, St Mary's: | For pupils and their families |
| In the Deanery: | St Lawrence, Bovingdon |
| In the Circuit: | Markyate Methodist Church |
| Roads in Rickmansworth: | Penn House, Wolsey Road |
| At St Mary's: | For our Fabric and Churchyard Committee |
| Amongst those unwell: | Margaret Collins, Margaret Down, Janet Foster, Edith Frow, Ian Haigh, Trevor Wallace, Mary Wallis, Jaleh Yeaman, Deborah, Emma, Frankie, Heather, Keith, Mary, Tim |
| Amongst the departed | Margaret Dorothy Beard, Joan Gravestock |



Intercessions List: We are privileged to be invited to pray as a community for people in all kinds of need. If you would like someone's name to be added, including your own, please speak to Scott or to Karen in the Church Office. Names remain for as long as needed.

This week's diary

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| Mon 19 | 2.00pm | <i>Threads for Change Sewing Group in church</i> |
| | 3.15pm | <i>J Club, St Mary's School</i> |
| Tues 20 | 9.30am | Said Holy Communion |
| | | Home Communion during the afternoon |
| Wed 21 | 7.30pm | Bell Ringing Practice - <i>New ringers welcome</i> |
| Thurs 22 | 9.30am | <i>Little Angels Toddler Group - Cloisters Hall</i> |
| | 7.45pm | <i>Choir Practice - New Singers Welcome</i> |

Readings for Tuesday Holy Communion: Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne

Ezekiel 34:11-16; 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 18:12-14

Readings for next Sunday: Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 15:1-39

Next Sunday's Services and Activities: Palm Sunday

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| 8.00am | Said Holy Communion <i>with blessing and distribution of Palms</i> | 12noon | Holy Baptism |
| | | 12noon | Lent Lunch <i>in aid of WaterAid</i> |
| 10.00am | Sung Holy Communion <i>with blessing and distribution of Palms</i> | 6.00pm | Evening Prayer |



St Mary's 'Little Angels' Baby and Toddler Group

Our Baby & Toddler Group meets at Cloisters Hall on Thursdays: 9.30-11.30am. Craft, play, and Music Time, £1.50 per 'family group' per session.



We welcome children of all ages!

If you have little ones with you please sit near the front of church so that they can see what is going on; if they get wriggly or restless, feel free to use the toys under the Tower. **Children's Church** meets during term-time in the Church Centre: *Sunbeams*: 3-5 yrs, *Shooting Stars*: 6 - 11 yrs.

Notices

Margaret Dorothy Beard: We have been saddened to learn of the recent death of Dorothy, a much loved member of St Mary's for many years. Her funeral service will take place here on Wednesday 28th March at 11am.

Joan Gravestock: We have also sadly been informed of Joan's death this week; funeral arrangements are yet to be confirmed.

Theatre Production: There will be a performance of 'Darkness Falls- John's Gospel' at Watersmeet on Wednesday 21st March at 7:30pm. Further details can be found on the poster in the Church Centre.

Lent Lunch: As in previous years, we will be having our Lent Lunch next week, on Palm Sunday, at 12 noon. It will be a simple lunch of homemade soup, bread, cheese and fruit. There is no charge but all donations will go to WaterAid. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to attend. All very welcome.

Daytime Easter Service: This traditional Easter service will be held at Christ Church, Chorleywood on Tuesday 27th March at 11:30am. The service is particularly suitable for those with dementia, memory problems or additional needs, and their families, but all are most welcome to attend. Further details can be obtained from their church office: 01923 282149

Easter Monday Pilgrimage: There will be the annual opportunity to walk from St Mary's to St Albans, on Easter Monday, setting off at 8:30am and arriving in St Albans for a picnic at about 1.30pm, followed by the service in the Cathedral at 3pm. If you would like to join the walkers, please sign the sheet at the back of church. Also, if anyone can offer lifts home at about 4.15pm, from Westminster Lodge, please enter your details on the sign up sheet too. Further details from Geoff Hall, 720543

Easter Lilies: If anyone would like to donate money for an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, would you please leave your donations with Karen in the Church Office in good time for Easter in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies". There will also be an "Easter Memory Tree" at the back of the church during the Easter period, with cards to write the names of your loved ones on, to hang on the tree.

Lent Study Course: We have six House Groups meeting at different times and venues throughout the season. If you would like to join a group please have a look at the list at the back of the church and see which group best suits you and then contact the groups' host directly or call Karen in the Church Office and she will put you in touch. Please feel free to join one of the groups at any time during the course, it is quite informal.

Membership Roll Review: Both the C of E (Anglican) Electoral Roll and the Methodist Membership Roll have to be updated annually. Only those whose name is included in the relevant roll may join the United Church Council, be a Church Warden/Methodist Steward, or vote in the elections for these at the forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting on 16th April. If your name is not already on the relevant roll but you want it to be, then an Application Form - to be found at the back of Church - should be completed and returned to me (via the Parish Office or directly) by Monday 26th March. Any questions - please contact John Glidden - Electoral Roll Officer.

Spring Newsletters: The Newsletter has now been printed, folded and batched and is ready for delivery - thank you to all those who have helped so far. If you have not signed up to deliver, but think that you may be able to help, please check for unallocated roads on the lists at the back of church. Many thanks.

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| | This Week | Next Week |
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| 8 am Readers | <i>June Poppleton, Beverley Clement</i> | <i>Rob Kay, Vicky Rodden</i> |
| 10am Readers | <i>Jean Dodds, John Rhodes</i> | <i>David Carruthers, Jo Baker</i> |
| Intercessor | <i>Jane Earl</i> | <i>John Rhodes</i> |

Diary dates

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| Sun 25 Mar | 12 noon | Lent Lunch <i>in aid of WaterAid</i> |
| Mon 2 Apr | 8:30am | Pilgrimage to St Albans |
| Mon 16 Apr | 7.45pm | APCM/Methodist Annual Meeting, <i>in Church</i> |



A few people have asked for some space to make sermon notes – so here it is...

I'd like to be involved...

Many people contribute to life at St Mary's in order to ensure things 'happen'. Here are roles to which we are interested in gathering new people to assist. Contact details can be found in LINK and on the Church website.

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| Welcomer (10am): <i>David Carruthers</i> | Sidesperson (all Services): <i>David Hibbert</i> |
| Intercessor: <i>Scott</i> | Server: <i>Sue and Chris Hillier</i> |
| Flower Arranger: <i>Hilary Pearce</i> | Church Cleaner: <i>June Poppleton</i> |
| Coffee Team (10am): <i>Anne Kay</i> | Children's Church Asst: <i>Rachel Turvey</i> |
| X Team Leader: <i>David Carruthers</i> | J Club Leaders: <i>Dorothy Champion</i> |
| Tower Bell Ringers: <i>David Hibbert</i> | Hand Bell Ringers: <i>Geoff Hall</i> |

Our LINK Team are keen to hear from people who are computer savvy and/or who are interested in editing and proof-reading : please contact our *LINK Editorial Team*.

We also need people to keep our Noticeboards and *facebook* page up-to-date . *For these, speak to Scott.*

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