

St Mary's Burghfield

Newsletter 1 Thursday 9th April 2020



Holy Week Schedule

There will be services recorded with short reflections and shall be available either from our website or Facebook page. They will be posted early so that you can follow them at a time to suit you

Monday 6th April – Morning Prayer 9am

Tuesday 7th April – Midday Prayer 12noon

Wednesday 8th April – Compline- usually said last thing at night before bedtime

Thursday Evening 9th April 7.30pm – A recorded Communion Service.

Good Friday 10th April – **Change to previous published schedule.**

We invite you now to join in with the Diocesan Good Friday. For Good Friday they will offer a series of six short addresses from Bishop Steven, each with hymns and prayers as podcasts. These will be available from noon on Maundy Thursday to listen to on the website or download as a podcast. You may want to listen to them and keep the traditional three hours; or space them out across a whole day set aside for prayer; or use from Maundy Thursday to Holy Saturday; or just use the final two as you keep watch at the cross.

Easter Sunday 12th April – An Easter message from Revd Glynn will be available and you are invited to join in with the Diocesan live stream service at 10:00am. After the live stream service **at 11:00am**, we shall be having a coffee and chat together through zoom for anyone who would like to join in. Invitation shall be sent nearer the time.

Join Zoom Meeting

To access this week's service please [email Revd Glynn](mailto:revd.glynn@dioceseofoxford.org) for access code

All links for Diocesan services can be found [here](#)

Easter Sunday 12th April 2020



Wishing you all a truly Blessed Easter during these very different and challenging circumstances. May you be filled with the new life and joy, that comes from knowing the risen Christ is alive and among us, yesterday, today, tomorrow and forever. May you find comfort in his presence during this time of crisis and may our faith be strengthened through him who gave his all for us.

Happy Easter to you and your loved ones. from Revd, Glynn, Revd, Lorraine, our church wardens Mike and Alison, and church family.

The Bible Course



In light of the coronavirus situation, the Bible course has not been able to continue here at St Mary's.

The *Bible Course* has been adapted so that you can [watch the session videos](#) online for free and you can download the manual [here](#).
These Videos will be available to watch for a limited time online (at least until the end of August).

We hope that this development will be helpful and encouraging to you at this challenging time.



Prayers at St Mary's going forward

After Easter we are hoping to publish three prayers and reflections per week (Mon, Wed, Fri) which we hope you will find helpful.

Thank you to those who have given feedback on how helpful you found them.



We'd love to hear from you!

Do you have any pictures of your palm crosses?

Have you made an Easter poster to put in your window?

[If you do please send to us so we can share with our church community](#)

Have you thought of making an Easter garden with your family?

[We look forward to seeing the photos!](#)

Do you have any stories which have helped your faith during our time of crisis which you might like to share?

If you have any prayer requests please let us know and we can forward on to our prayer team.

If you have a request for a favourite hymn, let us know and we can pass this onto Gill.



Weekly Reminders

- Don't forget to join in weekly at 8pm on Thursday nights, as we clap (or generally make a noise) to honour and show our support for everyone working so hard in the NHS as well as other keyworkers
- Reminder to place a candle in your window at 7pm on Sunday nights as a sign of hope and to show our prayer support for our neighbours and communities



Website

We are updating our website daily to ensure communication is kept between us and yourself at home. Please find useful links within our website:

Home Page – [Link](#)

Coronavirus updates – [Link](#)

Online Videos - [Link](#)



Please pray for:

- Finch Way, Barn Owl Way, Kestrel Way, Lamden Way
- Our Chalice Administrators and those who receive Communion at home
- Our stewardship of the environment
- Those who have died recently – Anne Hipwell (Known as Tricia), John Crowhurst, Jane Curley

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