



**Sunday 11th March 2018**

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**Church Stewards/Welcomers Urgently required** at the Parish Church, particularly on Sundays from 11.30am – 4.00pm (1 ½ hour slots) This role is open to all ages, if you can only help once a month or just the odd time, this would be wonderful as we find ourselves very short at the moment. During the week the desk is manned from 10.00am until 4.00pm. You meet and greet visitors to our beautiful Church and make them feel welcome. If you can help in any way please contact Katie in the parish office 01285 659317

**Can you help?** We desperately need more people to serve coffee after the Eucharist service on Sunday mornings at the Parish Church. This is not an onerous task as it is always set up before the service. All you have to do is serve and clear afterwards - very limited washing up! If you can help please let me know. Thank you!

*Aileen Anderson*

**Holy Trinity Sidesman and Coffee Rotas** – These two rotas are published in April each year and we are urgently searching for more volunteers. Neither role is onerous or particularly time consuming but a valuable contribution to the life of Holy Trinity Church. Each Sidesman team is on duty about 8 Sundays a year and to be on the Coffee Rota is a commitment to just 6 Sundays a year. If you would like more information or would like to join a team please contact a Warden or specifically Peter Cottey (01285 654038, pcottey@talktalk.net for Sidesman or Maggie Shepherd (01285 659427 or mshep@waitrose.com for Coffee Rota.

**The Revd Canon Howard Gilbert.** Fr. Howard has been appointed an Honorary Canon of Gloucester Cathedral, and if anyone would like to attend, the service of Collation and Installation will be a part of Choral Evensong at the cathedral on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm.

**Good Friday Messy Church.** Watermoor Church Hall 10 - 12 noon Friday 30th March. Crafts, worship and refreshments on an Easter theme. Come and have fun and hear the Easter Good News message too. For all families whatever their size, shape or form!

*Fiona Hawes*

**Home Communion** – I have been asked to act as Co Ordinator for those receiving Home Communion and those whom it is felt should be receiving communion at home. In the first instance if you feel a member of our congregations has been absent from church and may need a visit please contact me and I will pass it on to a colleague or visit myself. We have recently found that there is some duplication in clergy visiting and need to streamline our resources.

*Revd. Rosemary Franklin (01285 654282 or revrmf@btinternet.com)*

**“Stations of the Cross”** at Holy Trinity Church will be held every Wednesday in Lent. It is a very reflective time starting at 6.30pm prior to the 7.00pm Eucharist.

**Exploring Confirmation?** There will be a confirmation service on Easter Morning (1<sup>st</sup> April), and in anticipation of this, there will be a group of people meeting to explore whether they would like to be confirmed at this service. Please contact the office, or a member of clergy, if you might be interested in this.

*Revd. Howard Gilbert*

**Holy Trinity Congregational Committee.** The next meeting of the the above Committee will be on Wednesday 21st March. If anyone has any suggestions or matters they wish to raise please contact Peter Cottey (654038), Bryony Springate (659024) or myself (652809)

*Brenda Lissimore (Secretary)*

**Annual Report.** This year, once again, we will be compiling an Annual Report which covers all the activities and responsibilities of our parish. Please would leaders and church officers submit their report to the PCC Secretary (Howard Gray) by 16th March. These can be sent via email to [howardgray55@outlook.com](mailto:howardgray55@outlook.com) or left at the Parish Office.

**Church Camp – 13-15<sup>th</sup> July:** We are planning another amazing Church Camp again this year! I'm sure we will have lots of families, but it is also for those who won't be bringing children. We will be going to Hayles Fruit Farm, Winchcombe <http://www.haylesfruitfarm.co.uk> Lots of fun activities and worship, as well as a chance to relax and chat, we'll be able to pick our own strawberries for tea too! Please contact Jacqui Squires, at [Cirencester.deanery@gmail.com](mailto:Cirencester.deanery@gmail.com) or on 01285 885109

**Daytime CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Money Course:** 9.30 – 11.30am Mondays 12 & 26 March at Cirencester Baptist Church in Chesterton Lane. A crèche will be provided. Please join us for these 2 mornings. The CAP Money Course will teach you how to manage your money through budgeting skills and a cash-based system that works. In just a few weeks you will get to grips with your finances so you can budget, save and prevent debt. It is helpful if you can let us know that you are thinking of coming, particularly if you have small children who will be using the creche, so if you are interested please email: [capmoney@cirencester-baptist.org](mailto:capmoney@cirencester-baptist.org). Also, do invite any friends you think may be interested. The course is free and there is plenty of cake & coffee too! If you can't make it, our next evening courses are Tuesdays 24 April/1 May & Wednesdays 6/ 13 June at 7.30-9.30pm.

**Mothers' Union** members are holding a coffee morning in the Parish Church on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock. Everyone is welcome.

**Mothers' Union** is holding a cake stall on Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday) after the 10am service in Watermoor Church Hall. Donations of cakes gratefully received. All monies raised will go MU projects, both at home and abroad.

**Prayers for the Persecuted Church** will be held at Holy Trinity Church on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am (and not on 12<sup>th</sup> March as first arranged)

**Ciren Belles** meet on the third Thursday of every month to promote friendship among women in our community. Our next meeting is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March in Somewhere Else, Castle Street, GL7 1QD. Meet for a social; Pick a pot and paint in the Cotswolds event. Do join us for a great evening out from 7.30pm start. Women of all ages and backgrounds are most welcome. Please register your coming with Vikki O'Keeffe vikki.okeeffe@btinternet.com. Women of all ages and backgrounds are most welcome. Voluntary donation £5 for this event only.

### **This Sunday's Services (March 11th)**

The Fourth Sunday in Lent, Mothering Sunday  
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#### **Parish Church**

8:00am	Holy Communion	Revd Colin Mattock
10:00am	All Age Eucharist	Revd Rosemary Franklin with the Mothers' Union
6:00pm	Evensong	Mr. Martin Green

#### **Holy Trinity**

8:00am	Holy Communion	Revd Paul Springate
10:00am	Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert with Paul Springate

#### **St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Penny Light
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### **Next Sunday's Services (March 18<sup>th</sup>)**

The Fifth Sunday in Lent  
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#### **Parish Church**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Rosemary Franklin
10.00am	Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert with Revd Gary Grady
6.00pm	Evensong	Mr. Howard Gilbert with Mr. Richard Marlowe

#### **Holy Trinity**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Penny Light
10.00am	Eucharist	Revd Canon Dr. Phillip Thomas

#### **St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Penny Light
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**Next Sunday's Readings: The Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Jeremiah 31. 31 - 34**  
**Hebrews 5. 5 - 10**  
**John 12. 20 - 33**  
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**Daily Services at St John Baptist (Parish Church)**

Morning Prayer – 9:00am

Eucharist – 12 noon

Evening Prayer – 4:00pm

**Dates for the next week.**

**Monday 12th March. Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome and Confessor**

11:30am Funeral of the late Lesley Dixon (Holy Trinity)

7:00pm Cirencester Male Voice Choir (Parish Church)

**Tuesday 13th March.**

9:30am Powell School, Experience Easter (Parish Church)

7:30pm Bellringing practice (Holy Trinity)

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March.**

9:00am Drop In (St. Lawrence)

9:30am Organ Practice- Simon Gibson (Parish Church)

6:30pm Stations of the Cross (Holy Trinity)

7:00pm Eucharist (Holy Trinity)

7:00pm Cantores Rehearsal (Parish Church)

**Thursday 15th March.**

2:00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)

6:00pm Sing it (Town Hall)

7:30pm Parish Choir Practice (Parish Church)

**Friday 16th March.**

10:00am Mothers' Union coffee morning (Parish Church)

10:00am Organ Practice – Keith Lewis (Parish Church)

11:30am Funeral of the late Eric Jamieson (Holy Trinity)

1:00pm Thanksgiving service for the late Andrew White (Parish Church)

**Saturday 17th March. Patrick, Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland, c. 460**

1:00pm Organ Practice – Clist-Woodward (Parish Church)

4:30pm Cantores Concert set up and rehearsal (Parish Church)

7:30pm Cantores Chamber Choir Concert (Parish Church)