



Sunday 18th March 2018

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deadline for the pew leaflet is Midday Wednesdays.

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

Saving the Planet! Until we are able to provide kitchen facilities in the Parish Church, we are obliged to use polystyrene cups for refreshments after the 10.00 am service. To limit the use of this dangerous plastic, many coffee shops are now suggesting that people bring their own mugs for coffee. Would you consider doing this for Church coffee too? We will still provide the drinks and chocolate biscuits!!

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 13th May at 3pm.

Easter Cards on sale in the Church Shop. don't forget to pop into the shop and buy yours. The shop is open Mondays to Saturdays, 10.00am until 4.00pm

Foodbank News –The total collected within the Parish for February was 31.75 kg of food. Thank you for all your ongoing support.

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

“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.

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)

A big thank you to all those who prepared the posies for distribution in our three churches on Mothering Sunday. We are very grateful to the Co-op Funeralcare in Cirencester who donated the daffodils.

Kathie Cottey, (M.U. branch contact)

Church Camp – 13-15th 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 or on 01285 885109

Mothers' Union is holding a cake stall on Sunday March 25th (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 19th March at 10.00am (and not on 12th March as first arranged)

Easter Lilies for the Parish Church. If you would like to commemorate a loved one at Easter, you might consider making a donation towards the cost of lilies for the church. The Flower Team would be most grateful for your help. Please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Easter Lilies', with your name and the name of the person to be commemorated, and leave it in the glass chest in the church.

Thank you. *Kathleen Lindesay*

Cirencester with Tetbury & Fairford Foodbank is looking for new volunteer trustees to join our Board. We are a local independent charity but operate under the auspices of the Trussell Trust, a charity founded on Christian principles which works with people of all faiths and none. If this opportunity appeals to you, please contact Dr. Mandy Fry phone 07968 104 619 or e mail mandyfry@doctors.org.uk to discuss what is involved as soon as possible.

This Sunday's Services (March 18th)

The Fifth Sunday in Lent, Passion Sunday
BCP Collect, Epistle and Gospel on page 94

Parish Church

8:00am	Holy Communion	Revd Rosemary Franklin
10:00am	Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert with Revd Gary Grady
6:00pm	Evensong	Revd 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 Services (March 25th)

Palm Sunday
The Sunday next before Easter
BCP Collect, Epistle and Gospel on page 95

Parish Church

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Katie Richardson
10.00am	Eucharist	Bishop David Jennings
6.00pm	Evensong	Revd Howard Gilbert

Holy Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Howard Gilbert
10.00am	Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert with Revd Colin Mattock

St Lawrence

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Canon Karen Schmidt
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Next Sunday's Readings:

Palm Sunday, The Sunday next before Easter

Isaiah 50. 4 – 9a

Philippians 2. 5 - 11

Mark 15. 1 - 39

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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 19th March. Joseph of Nazareth

10:30am Prayers for the Persecuted Church (Holy Trinity)

11:00am Guided Tour (Parish Church)

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

Tuesday 20th March.

11:00am Guided Tour (Parish Church)

7:30pm PCC Meeting (Parish Centre)

Wednesday 21st March. Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556.

9:00am Drop In (St. Lawrence)

11:00am Guided Tour (Parish Church)

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

7:00pm Eucharist (Holy Trinity)

Thursday 22nd March.

8:00am Fire & intruder alarm servicing (Parish Church)

11:00am Guided Tour (Parish Church)

11:00am Funeral of the late Muriel Francis (Holy Trinity)

2:00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)

6:00pm Sing it (Town Hall)

7:30pm Parish Choir Practice (Parish Church)

Friday 23rd March.

9:00am Organ Tuning (Parish Church)

11:30am Funeral of the late Anne Simpkins (Holy Trinity)

Saturday 24th March. Walter Hilton of Thurgarton, Augustinian Canon, Mystic. 1396.

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

Sunday 25th March. Palm Sunday