



Sunday 4th March, 2019

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The deadline for notices in the pew leaflet is midday Wednesdays.

Canon Graham will be holding open office for anyone who wishes to meet with him, every Monday evening at The Parish Office between 5:00pm and 7:00pm.

Electoral Roll review and GDPR consent: Thank you to those who have returned their forms. Compared with the previous list, we have received just one quarter of applications to join the new Electoral Roll. If, therefore, you wish to be able to vote for your churchwardens, elect representatives to the PCC or even stand yourself, then you must complete a form which can be found in the GDPR booklet at the back of our churches. The forms can also be downloaded from our website (see home page). At the same time you can send us in a consent form on which you can indicate how you would prefer information about church activities to be sent to you. Forms can be returned to me (PCC Secretary) via the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Howard Gray

Our next Men's Group meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 March 2019, the venue (as normal) being The Crown at 17 West Market Place, Cirencester GL7 2NH: arrival from 7.45pm, for 8.15pm start. The speaker will be Ray Hawes, Head of Forestry at the National Trust, whose talk, "*Is there such a thing as a Perfect Tree?*" will be all about Ray's experiences and observations of working with trees and woodlands for 40+ years. We very much look forward to seeing you there!

Mothers' Union. Our next meeting is on Wednesday March 6th at 2.30pm in Watermoor Church Hall. Our guest speaker is Revd. David Minns, his talk is entitled 'MU in Nigeria'. Do join us to hear about MU work in Nigeria. Our meetings are open to all members or not. Many thanks.

Kathie

Prayer Morning: Prayers for our church and local community and all relevant issues concerning our world at this time. Do come along to 22 Abbey House at 10:30am on Thursday March 7th Please stay for coffee & biscuits tel. 655900

Val Manson.

Lent Lunches: Leader: Revd Penny Light. Dates: Wednesdays March 13th, 20th, 27th, April 3rd & 10th. Time: 12 noon Eucharist, followed by 12.30pm lunch. Venue. Parish Church. Programme: The following will speak after lunch: March 13th: Canon Graham Morris. March 20th: Pat Harris. March 27th: Penny Phillips. April 3rd. John Lawrence (Verger) April 10th: Hugo Kennard.

Lent Group: Canon Graham and Paul Springate will be leading a Lent group on Monday evenings in Lent starting on Monday 11th March. It will be held in the Crown in West Market St and will start at 8pm. Based on St Paul's letter to the Ephesians, it will also give suggested readings for each day. St Paul has a lot to say about what God has done for us, and how we can respond to him. It's not all easy, but the better for discussion! All are welcome, and it would be helpful to know who is joining us, so if you could drop a line to revpaul@cirenparish.co.uk that would be helpful.

Lent Pilgrim: Booklets offering a variety of courses to be held during Lent are now available in our churches. Do please take one. We hope there is something for everyone; from prayer groups, to Lent Lunches with guest speakers, to discussion of Lenten themes in the pub, to book groups. Why not try out a new way of engaging with Lent this year, that you may arrive at the empty tomb with joy on Easter morning?
Clergy Team

Ladies Book Group: I have been gently and lovingly chastised by a parishioner for not offering my Ladies Book Group to men also! Although I have tried this (unsuccessfully!) in the past, if there are any men who would care to join either the morning or evening Ladies Book Group this year, you would be most welcome. I dare you to come!
Rev Katie

Parish Magazine: The March issue of Parish Life is available now in all the parish churches- Just £1!

BRUGES - Due to the lack of response to this year's retreat to Bruges we have decided not to run it. Hopefully next year the uptake will be of more interest and will make it feasible.
Rosemary Franklin

RAU Choir Choral Evensong

The choir of the RAU will be singing a service of choral evensong at the Parish Church at 6pm on the 10th March. They are directed and trained by our Assistant Organist Hugo and will be singing music by Kathryn Rose, Hugo Kennard, Sam Bristow (our previous organ scholar) and Harrison Oxley. Please do come and support this flourishing choir and enjoy the peace and serenity of some beautiful music in our beautiful church.

This Sunday's Services (3rd March 2019)

The Sunday next before Lent

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Parish Church

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Canon Graham Morris

10:00am All Age Eucharist Revd Canon Graham Morris

6:00pm Evensong
With Revd Rosmary Franklin

Holy Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Julian Wilson

10:00am All Age Eucharist Revd Julian Wilson

St. Lawrence

10:30am Eucharist Revd Penny Light

Next Sunday's Services (10th March 2019)

The First Sunday in Lent

Parish Church

8:00am Holy Communion Rev Katie Richardson

10:00am Eucharist with Baptism Rev Canon Graham Morris

6:00pm Evensong
Sung by the choir of the RAU
Rev Canon Graham Morris
With Mr. Martin Green

Holy Trinity

8:00am Holy Communion Rev Penny Light

10:00am Eucharist Rev Canon Karen Schmidt

St. Lawrence

10:30pm Eucharist Rev Katie Richardson

Readings for next Sunday 10th March, 2019

The First Sunday in Lent

Deuteronomy 26. 1 - 11

Romans 10. 8b - 13

Luke 4. 1 - 13

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Weekly Services at St John Baptist (Parish Church)

Morning Prayer – 9:00 am. Eucharist – 12 noon

(in different chapels throughout the week, please see diary below)

Evening Prayer – 4:00 pm

Dates for the next week

Monday 4th March:

9:30am Organ Practice (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Trinity Chapel, Parish Church)
7:00pm Male Voice Choir (Parish Church)

Tuesday 5th March:

11:00am Funeral of the late J Jarvis (Holy Trinity)
11:45am Pancake Bell Ringing (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Catherine Chapel, Parish Church)
6:00pm Pancake Party (Parish Centre)
6:30pm Bell ringing practice (Parish Church)
7:30pm House Group (111 North Home Road)

Wednesday 6th March: Ash Wednesday

9:00am Drop in (St. Lawrence)
12:00pm Eucharist (Lady Chapel, Parish Church)
2:30pm Funeral of the late G Robinson (Parish Church)
7:00pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist (Holy Trinity)
7:30pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist (Parish Church)

Thursday 7th March:

12:00pm Eucharist (Catherine Chapel, Parish Church)
12:00pm Deanery Chapter
2:00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)
6:00pm Sing it (Town Hall)
7:30pm Parish Church Choir Practice (Parish Church)

Friday 8th March:

12:00pm Eucharist (High Altar, Parish Church)

Saturday 9th March:

9:30am Organ Practice (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Trinity Chapel, Parish Church)
5:30pm Bell Ringing (Gloucester & Bristol Assn) (Holy Trinity)