



Church Matters...

Sunday 27 March - The fourth Sunday in Lent

Welcome

We are so pleased to welcome you to our services today. If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time, then please do make yourself known to the person leading the service.

This Week's Diary

Saturday 26 March

10am - Easton ADCM - St Mary's, Easton

Sunday 27 March

10am - Mothering Sunday Service - St Mary's, Easton
with Revd Peter
worship songs Chris Ellis and organist John Dover

6pm - Evening Communion - St John's, Itchen Abbas
with Revd Peter
organist John Purver

Monday 28 March

9.30am - Little Rainbows - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Wednesday 30 March

7.30pm - Lent Course - by Zoom

Thursday 31 March

12noon - Funeral of Revd Jan Brookshaw - St Mary's, Easton

Sunday 3 April - Passion Sunday

8am - BCP Communion - St Mary's, Avington
10am - All Age Worship - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Collect

Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their
offences,
that through your bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the
chains of those sins
which by our frailty we have
committed;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed
Lord and Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Psalm 98

O sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.

**The Lord has made known his
victory;**

**he has revealed his vindication in
the sight of the nations.**

He has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness

to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all
the earth;**

**break forth into joyous song and
sing praises.**

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of
melody.

**With trumpets and the sound of
the horn**

**make a joyful noise before the
King, the Lord.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now,
and shall be for ever. Amen**

Isaiah 53:7-12

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Luke 22:13-23

So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

Notice Board

ADCM Meeting Dates:

Easton - Saturday 26 March, 10am at St Mary's Church, Easton

Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting, please do come along.

APCM - our meeting this year will be held at 7pm on Thursday 7 April at St John's Church, Itchen Abbas. The meeting will be preceded by light refreshments and a chance to socialise - we do hope you can attend.

Wednesdays in Lent - Our course on 'travelling with Jesus to Jerusalem' will continue on Zoom at 7.30pm on the following two Wednesdays. We will watch two further videos: the Mount of Olives (30 March) and the 'Places of the Passion' (6 April). Please join us for both of these evenings if you are able to.

Revd Peter

A Collection for Theo - Theo is retiring as Church Warden after 7 years in post during which he has been involved in two interregna and improved the facilities of St Mary's at every turn. To mark the occasion of his ceasing to be a Church Warden of St Mary's, Easton we are planning to present him with a token of our appreciation of his efforts. If anybody wishes to contribute to this leaving present they can do so by bank transfer to the following account - Bank : Lloyds Account: Glynde Easton
Sort code: 30 99 71 Acc no: 00717724

Chris Ellis

The Week that Changed the World - I will soon be releasing a new Audio Resource for Holy Week - retelling the Passion Story in 12 short instalments. You will be given a link to a youtube playlist enabling you to listen to these recordings on your own personal device and in your own time.

There will also be a Zoom seminar on Wednesday 13 April at 7.30pm, entitled 'the Long Night', in which I will be showing my video tracing Jesus' movements from the Last Supper to Gethsemane. More details about both of these resources very soon!

Revd Peter

For Your Prayers

The situation in Ukraine

For mothers and family life

Those who are ill or suffering at the moment.

Those who are mourning a loved one
(the family and friends of Revd Jan Brookshaw)