



Church Matters...

Sunday 19 March - Mothering Sunday

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.

Parish Diary

Friday 17 March

12-2pm - Lent Lunch - Itchen Abbas Grange, Itchen Abbas, SO21 1BJ

Sunday 19 March

8.30am - Holy Communion (1662) - St Mary's, Avington
with Revd Peter

10am - Mothering Sunday Family Service - St Mary's, Easton
James Greig leading, talk by Revd Peter & worship by Chris Ellis
organist David Duffin

Monday 20 March

9.30am - Little Rainbows - St John's, Itchen Abbas
7.30pm - Itchen Abbas ADCM - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Tuesday 21 March

12pm - Cameo - St John's, Itchen Abbas
7pm - PCC - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Warm Wednesday and Thursday

9.30am - 2pm - St John's Church, everyone welcome

Wednesday 22 March

11.30am - Lent Course - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Thursday 23 March

2pm - IAPS Assembly- St John's, Itchen Abbas

Friday 24 March

12-2pm - Lent Lunch - Middle Beat House, Church Lane, Martyr Worthy, SO21 1DY

Sunday 26 March

8.30am - Holy Communion (1662) - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy
10am - Valley Worship - St Mary's, Easton

Notice Board

APCM - our meeting this year will be held at 7pm on Thursday 30 March 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.

ADCM Meeting Date:

Itchen Abbas - 7.30pm Monday 20 March - St John's Church, Itchen Abbas

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

Lent Lunches - The next lunch will be on Friday 24 March at Middle Beat House, Church Lane, Martyr Worthy, SO21 1DY - kindly hosted by Geoffrey Burnand.

Everyone is welcome.

Winchester Community Pantry - **Donation this Month - TINNED VEGETABLES**

Parish Walk: Sunday 26 March (4.00pm) - as advertised in last month's *Itchen Valley News*, it'd be great if a good number of us could spend time in each other's company and walk around the parish enjoying the first Sunday afternoon of British Summer Time. The idea is for residents of each village to gather at their local church at 4.00pm and then to set off either clockwise (if starting from Easton and Martyr Worthy) or anti-clockwise (if starting from Avington and Itchen Abbas) and thus bump into the other groups on the way round. Sounds simple?! Cold drinks and biscuits will be available in each church. Do bring your dogs and invite your friends!

Celebrating Lent - During Lent I will be hosting a series of Bible studies in St John's, Itchen Abbas each Wednesday from 11.30am-12.30pm. We will be looking at a Psalm each week, learning about the Lord's Prayer, and enjoying other themes in Matthew's Gospel.

Wednesday evenings in Lent: preparing for Holy Week - For those who are unable to join us on Wednesday mornings, I am hosting two further Zoom seminars at 7.30pm on this Wednesday (22 March) and then on Wednesday in Holy Week (5 April). This week we will be looking at three of my In the Steps of Jesus videos showing the sites of the Last Supper, Gethsemane and Jesus' trial before Caiaphas and Pilate. A zoom link will be sent out on Tuesday morning.

Revd Peter

For Your Prayers

for the situations in Ukraine, Turkey and Syria
for those who are ill or suffering at the moment
for those recently bereaved

For the PCC and DCCs as they prepare for APCM
For Cameo as they meet this week