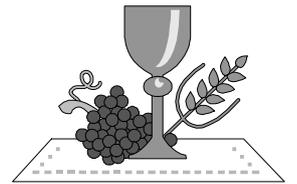




Weekly Newsletter

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES. If you are a newcomer to St Mary's Church, or a visitor to the area, please introduce yourself to one of the sidespeople or the clergy. We hope that you enjoy worshipping with us.

Communicant members of any Christian church are welcome to make their communion with us. If you do not wish to receive communion, but would like to receive God's blessing, simply hold this service booklet when you come to the altar rail.



St Mary's seeks to be an inclusive church and welcoming to people of all ages and backgrounds. We have a carpeted area and pew bags available for the youngest members of our congregation, if they wish to use it. And they may like to take an adult with them!

If you're a UK tax payer the money you place in the collection can be increased by around 25% if you fill out a blue envelope in the nave chairs or by the main entrance and allow us to retrieve the tax you've already paid & put it towards the work of St Mary's.



Further information about St Mary's, our life and ministry can be found on the website www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk, on Twitter and Facebook.

Please note that for legal and copyright reasons the taking of videos, photographs and recordings is not permitted during services.

March 11th Mothering Sunday (Lent 4)

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP Said)

Celebrant & Preacher: Vaughan Roberts

The service begins in the Book of Common Prayer page 294

The collect and readings begin on page 135

Followed each third Sunday by breakfast at a local café

10.30am	Choral Eucharist & Baptism Freddie Elmhirst Common Worship: Order 1 Boys', Girls', and Men's Voices
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Preacher: Alycia Timmis
Reading: Exodus 2: 1-10 - Jayne McHale
Assistants: Chris Hodgetts & Lizzie Adams

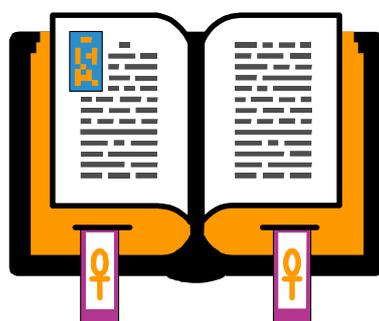
6.30pm	Choral Evensong & Lent Address(BCP) Girls' and Men's Voices
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Hymn: 464
Preces: Shephard
Psalm: 13
Reading: Tbc - Chris Sharp
Nunc dimittis: *Collegium Regale* Howells
Responses: Shephard
Anthem: *Go down, Moses* Trad. arr. Tippett

Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land;
Tell old Pharaoh, to let my people go.
When Israel was in Egypt's land,
Let my people go.
Oppressed so hard they could not stand,
Let my people go.
"Thus spake the Lord", bold Moses said,
Let my people go.
"If not, I'll smite your first-born dead",
Let my people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land;
Tell old Pharaoh, to let my people go.

Hymn 337
Preacher: Trevor Dennis
Hymn: 414
Organ voluntary: *Allegro non troppo (Op. 101, No. 3)* Stanford

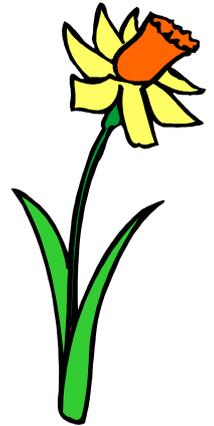
Director of Music: Oliver Hancock
Assistant Director of Music: Mark Swinton



NOTICES

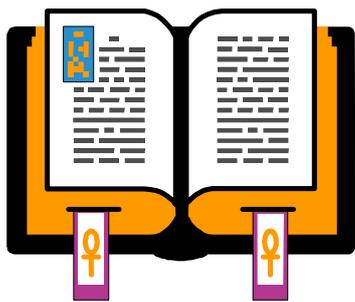
WELCOME

Today is that traditional time in Lent which marks a break in the season of reflection and penance as we celebrate Mothering Sunday. It's great to be able to welcome Freddie Elmhirst, together with his family and friends, for his baptism in our 10.30am Service. And very many thanks to all who've made the posies of flowers that we're giving out in that service as well.



THE BIBLE: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

It's great to welcome Trevor Dennis to St Mary's for this evening's Lent



Address. He was Vice-Dean at Chester Cathedral until his retirement and has also published many insightful and imaginative books about the Bible over a number of years (most recently *The Gospel Beyond the Gospel* and *The Book of Books: The Bible Retold*). Previous addresses by Bishop Stephen Platten (*The Bible in Worship*), Prof Peter Marshall (*The Bible in the*

Reformation) and Sharon Jones (*The Bible Now*) are now available on the St Mary's website under Recent Lent Addresses online in audio and text:

http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk/index.php?/stmarys/Lent_recent

And printed copies are also in church today.

ECCLESIASTICAL INSURANCE ...

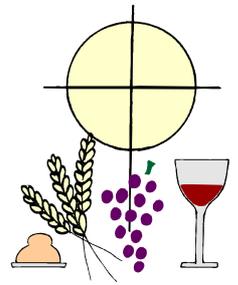
... celebrates its 130 year anniversary of insuring Anglican churches. They are making a 'thank you' offer to donate £130 to the church each time anyone from the church family - you, clergy, church workers or volunteers take out a home insurance policy with Ecclesiastical during the next year. When a home insurance policy is taken out, by quoting Trust 130 and nominating St Mary's, Ecclesiastical



will make a £130 donation. If you would like to a quotation, simply visit www.ecclesiastical.com/Trust130 or call 08007830130 quoting Trust130

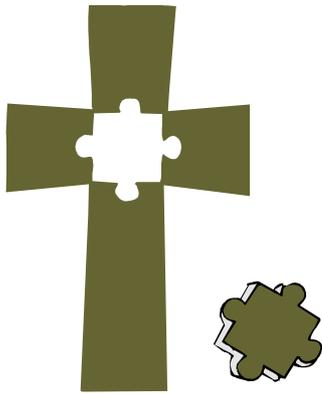
CONFIRMATION CLASSES ...

... started last Thursday in the church vestry. It's not too late to join in, so please speak to Vaughan Roberts, Alycia Timmis or Alice Webber if you'd like to find out more.



EASTER LILIES

Easter is rapidly approaching & we shall be decorating the Beauchamp Chapel with Lilies. If you would like to contribute in memory of a loved one and have their name on the scroll it would be appreciated. Donations either to Noël Reeve or the Parish Office. Thank you



FIRST SUNDAYS

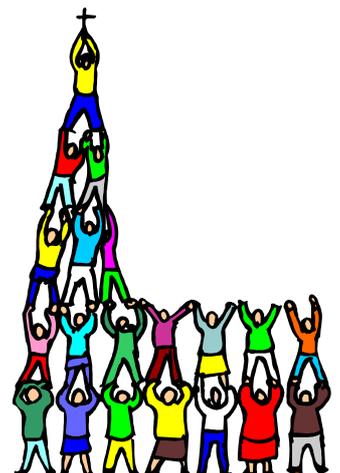
Last Sunday was the first Sunday in March and we had our usual change of services with a 9.30am Family Service and an 11am Choral Matins. Please note those will be the last ones until June because the first Sunday in April is Easter Day and in May we have the Bishop of Warwick visiting St Mary's for a confirmation service. Both of those will be 10.30am Choral Eucharists. Normal first Sunday services will resume on 3rd June.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Loving God,
Thank you for mums and children
and for all the joy of family life;
Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother;
Be close to those who are struggling because they have no children;
Be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love.
Let your love be present in every home,
And help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear
the needs of all who come;
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OVERVIEWS

This week the Church Council's Standing Committee met and received updates on St Mary's finances and approve a budget to put to PCC; review Parish Share contributions ahead of the Diocesan meeting in June; plus reports on church fabric, admin developments, working parties and the numerous Outward Giving suggestions.



WARWICK DISTRICT FOODBANK NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Warwick District Foodbank operates from seven Distribution Centres across the Warwick, Leamington and Kenilworth communities. During the last 12 months it has distributed emergency food parcels to over 4,250 people, all of whom have experienced some form of recognised crisis and were referred to Foodbank by a statutory or charitable agency. Twenty one per cent of Foodbank's clients came from Warwick and of the 372 Foodbank vouchers that were redeemed at the Saltisford Foodbank Centre it resulted in the feeding of 590 adults and 305 children respectively. To aid the work of Foodbank they have recently received some generous gifts from a few different organisations to buy a much needed van. To support the running of the van without draining the charity's resources a new scheme has commenced called Club 50 where Warwick District Foodbank are hoping a minimum of 50 people will club together to each pay £5 a month via direct debit (see poster on the notice board). Can you help? This charity is doing a wonderful work in our town and for only £5 each month you could make a very valuable contribution to this work and without breaking the bank. For a direct debit form please see the notice board.....



CONCERT & EVENT STAFF REQUIRED ... we urgently need paid staff to help manage concerts. St Mary's hosts concerts and events throughout the year mainly on Saturday evenings, but also occasionally on weekdays. We require staff who would be willing to manage 4 concerts per year, who are able to supervise and are also physically able. The hours are generally 6.00pm to open up for arrival of the concert giver until approximately 11.00pm. The staff should be available during the concert, then to supervise the return of the church to its normal condition after the event, which may include supervision of the take down of staging, replacing nave chairs in position, moving of other furniture, ensuring all debris is removed from the performance area, replacement of the altar and furniture, ensuring that the building is as it should be before locking and alarming once the building is vacated. If you are interested in joining the team please email admin@stmaryswarwick.org.uk or call 01926 403940 option 1 with your contact details and we will get back to you. Full instructions will be given.

VISIT St Mary's Gift Shop
Easter Cards & Gifts Now in Stock

Cards for every Occasion & Gifts in Stock

CD's, Trays and Candles, St Mary's Tea Towels & Notelets
St Mary's Gift shop can supply stamps at normal price but
buying them from the shop gives the church a small profit.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S - SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 22nd April - AGM immediately after the morning Eucharist
Wednesday 23rd May at 7.30pm - Lecture by Prof Louise Campbell about
Coventry Cathedral and Sir Basil Spence. Details on the Friends'
noticeboard. (Please note this event will be at St Michael's Centre,
Budbrooke). All welcome.

Friday 29th June - a guided visit to Coventry Cathedral and The Herbert.

MU WARWICK TOGETHER PROGRAMME

Mon 9th Apr - Diocesan Service for Lady Day, 2pm at St
Martin's Church, Green Lane, Finham, CV3 6EA. Speaker:
Very Revd John Witcombe, Dean of Coventry Cathedral.
Lifts can be arranged. More details from
valbrant@sky.com, tel 01926 494021, Lorraine Jaeger on
07974 592263; or denisegodfrey49@gmail.com



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WARWICK EVENTS

It is with regret Women's World Day of Prayer has been postponed until
Fri 16th March and then only at 11am Service. We do hope you can come on
the 16th and pray alongside many British Churches who have also Postponed.

Sat 24th Healing on the Streets in the Market
Square 10am to 12noon. There have been
fantastic healings.

Thu 29th Mar Maundy Thursday at Castle Hill
Baptist Church refreshments 6.30pm service at
7pm. You will be made very welcome.

Fri 30th Mar Good Friday Walks of Witness and

Service in the Market Sq. Walks start after 11.45am at 5 churches (St Mary
Immaculate, St Pauls, New Life, Castle Hill and Northgate) meeting for a
service at 12.15pm.



BAXI EARLY MUSIC CONCERTS SEASON PROMOTED BY LEAMINGTON MUSIC

St Mary's Church Warwick on Tuesday 13th March at 7.30pm

RACHEL ELLIOTT soprano
THE BACH PLAYERS
Nicolette Moonen and Oliver Webber violins
Anne Schumann viola
Kinga Gaborjani cello and viola da gamba
George Ross cello

Music for Easter

The Stabat Mater by Luigi Boccherini of 1781 with movements from Haydn's The Seven Last Words of Our Saviour on the Cross and the Sonata Herzlich tut mich verlangen by Johann Fischer (1646-1716) in a programme that takes us to Easter given by The Bach Players on their eleventh appearance since first performing in Warwick in 2000.

Tickets available at St Mary's Church Gift Shop or online
www.royalspacentreandtownhall.co.uk or call 01926 334418

FIRST WORLD WAR BATTLEFIELDS TRIP

19th - 23rd Aug 2018 led by local author Alan Reed leaflets and more information available on the Christmas truce table.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI through McCabe Travel - details of the itinerary can be found on the company website. The pilgrimage is being led by Bishop Michael Langrish and is on the 10th to 18th June 2018. For more details, the organiser is Sue Minton and her contact details are: 01788 816497 mminton477@aol.com

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Flo Carpenter, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Mandeep Madar, Jack Dixon, Gwen Shilton

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED: George Timlin, Trevor Owen

THIS WEEK: Beginning 11th March

Wednesday 14 th	10.00am 5.30pm	Holy Communion Choral Evensong
Friday 16 th	5.30pm	Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 18th March - Passion Sunday (Lent 5)

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist & WCC Civic Service	6.30pm Choral Evensong & Lent Address
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Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist	6.30pm Choral Evensong
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Sunday 1st April Easter Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Family Choral Eucharist	6.30pm Festal Evensong
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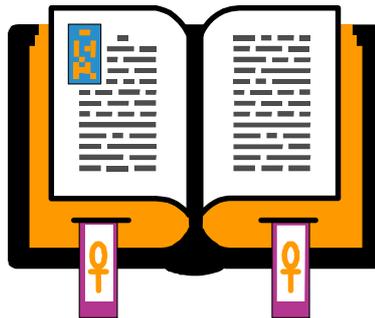
Sunday 8th April Easter 2

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist & Commonwealth Thanksgiving	6.30pm Parish Evensong
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Parish Office: (01926) 403940

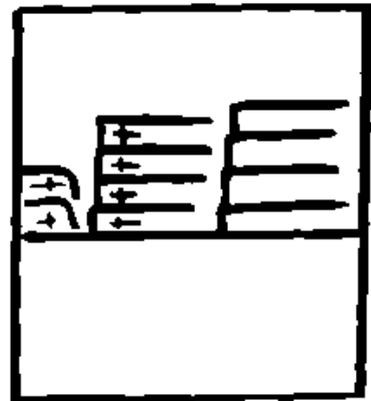
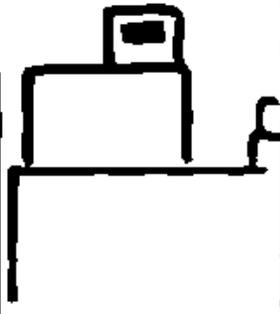
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