

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.
Week Commencing 11th March 2018.

'Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.' Colossians 3 v 17

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Today's Service for Sunday 11th March, 4th Sunday in Lent 'Mothering Sunday'

10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship) led by Father Glenn with Sunday Stars in the hall led by Irene.

Hymns: 53 Be still for the presence of the Lord
46 At the name of Jesus
153 Give me joy
422 Praise, my soul the king of heaven

Services for W/C 11th March,

Monday 12th 12 noon, mid-day prayers.

Tuesday 13th 10.00am said Eucharist (Common Worship) led by Father Glenn.

Wednesday 14th 11am - The Bridge; 7.30 pm - SS Matthias & George – Lent Discussion

Sunday 18th March 9.00 am said Eucharist (Common Worship) led by Father Glenn with Sunday Stars in the hall led by Irene.

6.30 pm sung Evensong (BCP) led by Father Glenn

We pray for those who are sick:- Mick Bolt, Philippa Kreuser, Rosie, Alex, Karen & Dale Roberts, Colin & Alison Daines, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Duncan Glover, Kate Vicos, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Alexei, Marion Williams, Janice & family, Sarah Harwood, Rosemary Hudson, Rev Ivor and Dora Merry, Mike Brown and their

We pray for the soul of Marion Lee whose funeral service took place last Tuesday.
We pray also for the soul of A. F. J. (John) Garner, recently departed.

families.

Margaret Andrew is still collecting old magazines with lots of pictures, for **male** dementia patients. Please leave them at the back of the church.

Confirmation: We continue to pray for Charlotte Flower, Ross Harrison, Lilly Hill, Lauren Parkes & Toby Reading as they prepare for Confirmation soon.

Home Visits: Anyone wishing for a home visit or to receive home communion should contact Irene Hamilton on 894179

Nightstop foodbank: There is a box at the rear of the church in which you can place food and toiletry gifts.

Discussions during Lent:

The course is based around five weekly group sessions, based on the film 'I Daniel Blake' (clips from the film will be shown) of which two remain, entitled:

4. Fighting Back or Giving In?

5. The Suffering Servant

They are stand-alone sessions, please feel free to dip in and out if you can't make them all.

Discussion dates - each Wednesday March, 14th & 21st

11.00am - 12.30pm at The Bridge Hall

7.30pm - 9.00pm at Astwood Bank Church

Annual General Meeting: This year's AGM takes place at 12 noon on Sunday 15th April. Could those people who will be submitting reports to Pauline Jones for use at the AGM, please do so **by Sunday 25th March at the latest.** Reports can be handed to Pauline, put through her letterbox – 2650 Evesham Road, or sent via email at paulinejean2650@yahoo.co.uk

Good Friday Workshop: The annual Good Friday Workshop will be taking place again this year on March 30th between 10am and 1pm for children (helpers will be needed earlier). There will be many different activities and crafts to try out and all those attending should bring a plate of food to share with others. Volunteers are needed please for organising the different crafts/activities and general help on the day. All are welcome.

Mothering Sunday started in the 16th century when on the 4th Sunday in Lent people returned to their 'mother church' i.e. the parish church where they worshipped or the church where they had been baptised, or to their local cathedral, the 'mother church' of all local churches. People who did this were said to have gone 'a-mothering'. In later times it became a day when domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother church usually with their own mothers and other family members. Eventually the religious tradition evolved into the Mothering Sunday secular one of giving gifts to mothers.

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www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

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