

St Matthias & St George Parish Church.
A member of “Christ the King” team ministry.
Week commencing 8th March 2020

Jesus continued “Indeed God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” John 3 v 17

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Today’s Services for Sunday 8th March Lent 2

10.30 am sung Eucharist (Common Worship)
with Sunday Stars in the hall

Hymns: 10 All for Jesus

120 Father here the prayer we offer

500 There is a Redeemer

522 To God be the glory

Please stay and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea in the hall after the church service. A children’s corner is at the back of the church.

Services for W/C 8th March

Monday 9th 12.30 pm Mid-day prayers (*Please note the new regular time for Mid-day prayers*)

Tuesday 10th 10.00 am said Eucharist

7.30 pm Lent course in the vicarage (*see below*)

Sunday 15th 9.00 am said Eucharist (CW)

10.30 am Adult & children Art & Craft session

6.30 pm sung Evening Prayer

7.10 pm Messy Church planning meeting

We pray for those who are sick: - Philippa, Rosie, Alex, Jean, Joyce, Margaret, Marion, Alexei, Dora, Margaret, Margaret, Nesta, Hazel, Heather, Carol, Carla, Carole, Tim, Jon and Pastor Robin Baker.

The funeral of Iris Blick, recently departed, will be held at the Crematorium at 2pm tomorrow, 9th March.

Lent course: Please pick up a leaflet about the Tuesday Lent course taking place in the vicarage starting on Tuesday 3rd March at 7.30 pm. The course will be based on the excellent TV drama ‘Broken’ starring Sean Bean as a Catholic priest.

Rev Mike Spencer, has recently resigned as chairman/chaplain of the Astwood Bank Royal British Legion (RBL) due to his imminent move to Gloucestershire. The officers of the local RBL have asked **Father Glenn** if he would become their chaplain and he has accepted. However, we still call him Father and not Padre. ☺

Please give notices for inclusion in next week’s edition to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk.

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CTiR This month our prayers are asked for the members of **Oasis Christian Centre**, Plymouth Road who rejoice and are blessed with having a number of children and babies attending each week. **They ask for our prayers for the sabbatical that Pastor Robin is currently taking and for his recovery from his sudden illness.** They ask us to pray for Pastors Rachel and Josh and other leaders during this period. They also ask us to prayer for the success of their Alpha course to be run after Easter, and for Sian, their newly appointed Parent and Toddler group leader.

Messy Church: There will be a planning meeting at **7 pm, next Sunday 15th March** specifically geared towards the **March Messy session at 4 pm on Saturday 28th March** when the theme will be Lent.

June Messy, Saturday 27th (Encounter with Jesus). Planning meeting Sunday 7th June 6.30

September Messy, Saturday 26th (Starting new things/calling disciples) Planning meeting Tuesday 8th September 7.30 pm.

November Messy, Saturday 28th (Advent). Planning meeting Tuesday 3rd November 7.30

Mary’s Meals: is a charity which tries to feed needy children throughout the world one meal per day while they are at school, using the local community and local produce when possible. At the moment, because of drought in North Kenya, they can only feed the youngest children. They would like to extend their work to include the older children, thereby keeping them at school and supporting their education. If you are interested in offering support you can contact Mary’s Meals on 0800 6981212 or 01838 200605. If you would like to know more about the charity speak to Barry Jones on 01527 520659

Rev Barry Jones writes that ‘**Birmingham Festival Choral Society:** is performing Rossini’s ‘Petite Messe Solennelle’ at the Ruddock Centre, King Edward’s Boys School, Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2UA on Saturday 28 March at 7.30pm. If you would like tickets please contact Barry Jones on 01527 520659.’

Home Visits: Anyone who wishes to have a home visit or receive home communion should contact Irene Hamilton on 894179

