

## Churchwardens

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## Notices - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### 22<sup>nd</sup> March- Fourth Sunday of Lent 29<sup>th</sup> March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

Psalm 23 and John chapter 9

Psalm 130 and John 11.1-45

*God of love,  
passionate and strong  
tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us  
all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Gracious Father, you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries  
of his passion  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding  
of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## Daily Readings

### Week Commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

**Mon:** Psalm 77; Exodus 2.11-22; Hebrews 9.1-14

**Tues:** Psalm 79 ; Exodus 2.23-3.20; Hebrews 9.15-end

**Wed:** Psalm 111; 1 Samuel 2.1-10; Romans 5.12-end

**Thurs:** Psalm 86; Exodus 4.27-6.1; Hebrews 10.19-25

**Fri:** Psalm 102; Exodus 6.2-13; Hebrews 10.26-end

**Sat:** Psalm 32; Exodus 7.8-end; Hebrews 11.1-16

### Week Commencing Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March

**Mon:** Psalm 73; Exodus 8.1-19; Hebrews 11.17-31

**Tues:** Psalm 35; Exodus 8.20-end; Hebrews 11.32-12.2

**Wed:** Psalm 55; Exodus 9.1-12; Hebrews 12.3-13

**Thurs:** Psalm 40; Exodus 9.13-end; Hebrews 12.14-end

**Fri:** Psalm 22; Exodus 10; Hebrews 13.1-16

**Sat:** Psalm 23; Exodus 11; Hebrews 13.17-end

## Message from the Rector

Public worship has been suspended in churches across the nation in response to the coronavirus pandemic. This is an unprecedented situation. My colleagues and I are working out what this will mean for our life in Christ together here in the two parishes of the Osney Benefice.

It gives us the opportunity to put into practice the Diocesan Vision of becoming a more Christ-like Church – more contemplative, compassionate and courageous. **Contemplation** may have been forced upon us, but drawing on the well-springs of scripture and prayer and being truly grounded in our faith will be a blessing to us and to others. **Compassion** for those in need; being a good friend and neighbour; making that phone call; being gentle and patient with each other. Having the **Courage** to ask for help if we need it; to face our own anxieties and hold those of others; to keep going and to keep cheerful.

The enclosed sheet contains **resources for our devotional and practical needs**. On Sundays, please use the Collect for the day and read the Gospel for the day, knowing that you will be doing that along with other members of Christ's church. We hope to launch a Youtube channel where we can upload a Sunday service for you to view.

Also in the pipeline is to create a pastoral 'buddy' system where we team up two or three people who live near each other to look out for each other, keep in touch with each other and to be a practical help should that be needed.

Please do contact the clergy if we can help you in any way. Although we cannot make pastoral visits, we can pray with you over the phone, or remember you in our daily cycle of prayer. Our contact details are on the back of this bulletin.

May the Peace of the Lord be with us all.

Clare

*God of goodness and love, in whom we can trust in every hour of need;  
have mercy on all who are faced with fear and distress through this pandemic.  
We ask that help may be given to them speedily,  
and that this emergency may be turned into an opportunity  
to strengthen the bonds of love and service  
which bind people and nations together  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## Resources for Worship and Prayer

**An Order for Morning Prayer** is available in all the churches to take away and will be delivered to you along with this notice sheet. It can also be found in the Staying in Touch part of our website.

**The BBC's Daily Service and Sunday Worship** – radio programmes will be using some of the themes from *#LiveLent* as part of their broadcasts.

**Live streaming services** – users can watch live streams of services from a range of churches, including Buckingham Parish Church. This can be accessed through the website A Church Near You, or through the Diocesan website: [www.oxford.anglican.org](http://www.oxford.anglican.org).

## Resources for Practical Help

Please see the additional sheet

## In Other News

**All Lent Groups, Reflection Groups and mid-week services are cancelled until further notice.**

**Please pray for:** our Bishops, Archdeacons and senior staff  
The family of Andrew Ivett RIP.

### Christian Aid Week planning

There is a notice up at St. Peter and St. Paul inviting you to tick if you can deliver envelopes to the roads you did last year. If you haven't delivered before and are able to help this year, please contact our CA Co-ordinator, Susannah Sheffield - [susannahjsheffield@gmail.com](mailto:susannahjsheffield@gmail.com).

**St Frideswide and Binsey APCM** is postponed. Advice from the Bishop is that it can be held any time up to the end of October this year.

**Please continue to donate to food banks** if you can.

**CANCELLED** Quiz night Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March

The next Notice Sheet will be published on 5 <sup>th</sup> April. Items to Gwen by Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> March
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