



ST. MARGARET, BINSEY ♦
ST. FRIDESWIDE, OSNEY

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL, BOTLEY ♦
ST. LAWRENCE, NORTH HINKSEY

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NOTICES

28th March 2021

Palm Sunday

Readings for this Sunday:

Isaiah 50 4-9a

Psalm 31 9-16

[Philippians 2 5-11]

Mark 15 1-39

Dear Friends,

'There's an empty tomb, a love for all who come and give their hearts to You, the Faithful One.'

Those are words from my favourite contemporary Christian song, 'Faithful One.' However, we can't celebrate the empty tomb, and the Lord of Life defeating death, without walking the way of the cross with Jesus from Palm Sunday to Good Friday.

The people of Jerusalem welcomed Jesus with shouts of celebration on the first Palm Sunday because they wanted a triumphant, King-Messiah.

'Look, your King is coming! He is the Righteous One, the Victor! Yet he is lowly, riding on a donkey's colt!' Is how Zechariah foretold the Messiah would enter Jerusalem. Zech. 9: 9

A few days later, the same crowds shouted: 'Take Him away and Crucify him!' Jesus' crucifixion was one of the cruellest things ever done: and yet, it was also the moment when God's mercy and love overflowed, through Jesus, for all – for us.

Jesus has gone to the darkest place in the world, the place where all He can say is 'God, my God, why would you abandon me now?' Psalm 22: 1

He's gone there with all the sin and suffering of the world heaped on His 'sacred head, sore wounded.' He's gone there because that was, and is, the only way the world can be rescued.

The only way you and I can be rescued.

The only way by which God's love can take the worst on to itself, and set us free.

The only way to roll away the stone from the tomb.

For as Aslan explains to Lucy in *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* when he's risen from the dead: 'When a willing victim who had committed no treachery was killed in a traitor's stead, Death itself would start working backwards.'

Richard Budgen

General Notices

Holy Week and Easter

As we enter this most holy season of the Church's year, I hope you will be able to join in with some of the services offered by our benefice and in the on-line services detailed below. St Frideswide has remained open for in-person worship throughout the lockdown, and I am very pleased to say that all our churches will be offering in-person worship from Easter Sunday onwards. All the services will be conducted as they were before we went on-line. That will mean strict social distancing, wearing masks and receiving the sacrament in one kind only. Even with these restrictions it will be a joy to be together and I hope you will feel confident to return to church. Having said that, we don't want anyone to feel pressured in any way to return in person, and so St Peter and St Paul will continue to host the mid-week Eucharist via zoom at 9.30am.

After his resurrection, Jesus called his disciples to him on the beach and invited them to Come and Eat. Jesus still invites us to gather around his table and be nourished by his life, his body and blood; to be together and share in the banquet of heaven. We look forward to doing that together on Easter Sunday.

May God's peace and blessing be with us all.

Clare.

Services from Christ Church Cathedral

Good Friday at 6.05pm Choral Meditation with a sermon by the Archdeacon:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXK8mSg0y5E>

Holy Saturday at 2.05pm an online ecumenical service of prayers and meditations from Christ Church Cathedral and Wesley Memorial Church (*can't find a link for it*).

Music for Holy Week and Easter – St Mary Magdalen Oxford has put together a comprehensive list of music for Holy Week and Easter. You can click each link to be taken to a Youtube/audio recording. This is available on the website [Sunday 29th March to Easter Day](http://stmarymagdalenoxford.org.uk) (stmarymagdalenoxford.org.uk)

Pastoral support: If you (or someone you know) would particularly appreciate a (socially-distanced outdoors) **pastoral visit** or a phone call from one of the clergy, please do let Clare know.

Have you moved, no longer wish to be on our mailing list, or changed your contact details?

Please update the office osneybenefice@outlook.com in writing so that the GDPR records can be updated.

Weekly Notices:

All items for the weekly notice sheet should be sent to the office first, please.
osneybenefice@outlook.com

North Hinskey with Botley

Please note:

- Palm Sunday: please bring your palms with you to the zoom Eucharist hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul this Sunday.
- The Good Friday service at P&P that was advertised as being an in-person service, will now only be on zoom
- Easter Sunday: the 9.30am Eucharist on Easter Sunday at P&P will be in-person only.

Sponsored Fast for Yemen – Message from Janet Budd

Since I last did a sponsored swim to raise funds for Medicines Sans Frontiers' work in Yemen the situation there has worsened into a humanitarian disaster.

As the pools are closed, I intend to do a sponsored fast from Maundy Thursday evening until Easter Saturday morning. Sponsorship from friends at church would be very welcome. MSF will supply envelopes for donations & I am happy to deliver them on request.

Many thanks, Janet Budd 01865 863682 or budds@talk21.com

To find out more about Medicines Sans Frontiers' go to their website <https://msf.org.uk/>

Church Hall – The hall will re-open on April 12th following the Govt. guidelines. In the first instance, this will be for groups run for children, such as toddlers and sports groups, and from May 17th adult groups will be able to return. Anyone coming into the hall, even to drop off a child, is expected to scan the hall QR code for track and trace purposes.

Date for the Diary – Annual Parish Meeting Sunday May 16th

St Frideswide with Binsey

The Electoral Roll Revision Don't forget to fill in your Electoral Roll form circulated previously, and also available in church. Email the office if you need an electronic copy.

Good Friday - After the 12 noon service the church will be open until 3pm for silent reflection.

Date for the Diary -Annual Parish Meeting Sunday April 25th

Daily Prayer and Readings for Week Commencing Monday 29th March

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| Mon: | Psalm 41; Lamentations 1.1-12a; Luke 22.1-23 |
| Tues: | Psalm 27; Lamentations 3.1-18; Luke 22 [24-38] 39-53 |
| Wed: | Psalm 102; Wisdom 1.1-2.1; 2.12-22; Luke 22.54-end |
| Thurs: | Psalm 42; Leviticus 16.2-24; Luke 23.1-25 |
| Fri: | Psalm 69; Genesis 22.1-18; A part of John 18 & 19 may be read |
| Sat: | Psalm 142; Hosea 6.1-6; John 2.18-22 |

Please pray for:

- The country of Syria, ten years into its civil war
- All who have died from the corona virus and those who mourn them.
- Christ Church college and cathedral and the Dean, Martyn Percy and his Family

Updated Easter and Holy Week Services



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| 28th March | St Frideswide | 8.30am | Eucharist BCP |
| Palm Sunday | St. Frideswide | 10.30am | Eucharist |
| | Ss Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Zoom Eucharist |

Holy Week Services

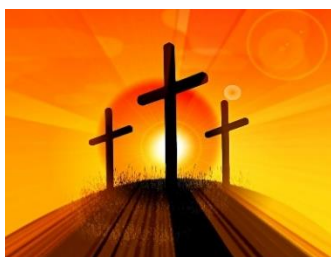
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| Monday 1 st April | Ss. Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Zoom Morning Prayer |
| | St Frideswide | 7.00pm | Eucharist |
| Tuesday 2nd | St Frideswide | 7.00pm | Eucharist |
| Wednesday 3rd | Ss. Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Zoom Eucharist |
| | St Frideswide | 7.00pm | Eucharist |
| Maundy Thursday | Ss. Peter & Paul | 7.30pm | Zoom Eucharist |
| | St Frideswide | 7.00pm | Eucharist |
| Good Friday | Ss. Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Zoom Morning Prayer |
| | St Frideswide | 12 noon | A Reflective Service followed by an open church for Silent Reflection until 3pm |
| | Ss Peter & Paul | 2.00pm | Good Friday liturgy via zoom only |
| 4th April Easter Sunday | St Margaret's | 7.00am | Eucharist BCP |
| | St Frideswide | 8.30am | Eucharist BCP |
| | St. Frideswide | 10.30am | Eucharist |
| | Ss Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Eucharist in person |
| | St. Lawrence | 11.30am | Eucharist |
| | St Margaret | 4.30pm | Evening Prayer |
| APRIL 11th April Second Sunday of Easter | St Frideswide | 10.30am | Eucharist |
| | Ss Peter & Paul | 9.30am | Eucharist in person & zoom |
| | St. Lawrence | 11.30am | Eucharist |
| | St Margaret | 4.30pm | Evening Prayer |

Worship at Home and in Church

Worship this week – Sunday 28th March Palm Sunday

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| Sunday: | St. Frideswide: | 8.30am BCP HC in person |
| | St. Peter & St. Paul: | 9.30am Eucharist <i>on zoom</i> |
| | St. Frideswide: | 10.30am Eucharist in person |
| Monday: | St. Peter & St Paul: | 9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i> |
| Wednesday: | St. Peter & St Paul: | 9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i> |
| Friday: | St. Peter & St Paul: | 9.30am Morning Prayer <i>on zoom</i> |

See below for the zoom links



Online Worship

Please see below for Easter worship zoom links

Sundays:

9.30am The Eucharist via Zoom hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul. Contact Clare. The Zoom code for this service will be:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81200206669?pwd=TEdnazNMQ2xaYWtCUklYeS9lVjZzd09>

Meeting ID: 812 0020 6669 Passcode: 966803

5.00pm Evening Prayer via Zoom, hosted by St Frideswide, Contact Kate

Mondays:

9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom contact John Clements

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83235799288?pwd=d1QwR1dtOGpUeFVRUjBQbWtOTWVBdz09>

Meeting ID: 832 3579 9288 Passcode: 809630

Wednesdays:

9.30am The Eucharist via Zoom hosted by St. Peter and St. Paul. Contact Clare. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88321819294?pwd=bzhOZWZPck9vYjI5L2xkRzIGRnNhdc09>

Meeting ID: 883 2181 9294 Passcode: 282069

Fridays:

9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom contact Clare

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86582445640?pwd=cZ2NnBkVWZTOENibWVvT2VROWI3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 865 8244 5640 Passcode: 464443

For the Zoom Eucharist, the text is attached and is also available in hard copy from porch at St. Peter and St. Paul. If you would like a hard copy, but do not want to come out to collect it, please let Clare know and we can deliver one to you.

Thursday 1st April 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist from St Peter & St Paul

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89713736203?pwd=YjkreVBaa2NaY0tYUGZOLzhQd1krdz09>

Meeting ID: 897 1373 6203 Passcode: 413406

Friday 2nd April 2pm Good Friday Service of Meditation from St Peter & St Paul

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86023115497?pwd=bDZnTlkySVY1d1BRbGIGbVVRRkxGQT09>

Meeting ID: 860 2311 5497 Passcode: 831269

Liturgy for Zoom Maundy Thursday and Good Friday is circulated with these notices.

If you can get on-line and would like help to get Zoom set up, please ask one of us.

For members of St Frideswide's congregation our WhatsApp daily prayer will continue, please ask Kate to be added to the group.

Church at Home service every Sunday at 10am <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19-2/livestream/>

The 'Daily Hope Line'. Is a free phone line: **0800 804 8044**. This has been set up particularly for those who are unable to join any on-line church services.

YouTube channel for the Osney Benefice can be found at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXJ99_EwpRaLL_dtCH4HoPg?view_as=subscriber.

If you are participating in on-line worship, here is a prayer that you can use when the elements of bread and wine are shared:

We give you thanks, Father,
for this holy meal in which Christ is received,
the memory of his passion renewed,
our lives filled with grace,
and a pledge of future glory given to us.
To him with you and the Holy Spirit be glory forever.
Amen.

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