

Church Diary

All events are held in church unless specified

Lent course with the Chapel **Six steps to Reading your Bible**

The course has been really insightful and you can come to any session. It is ideal for those who have never really read the Bible on their own and those who've been reading it for years.

Tuesdays 10:30am –12pm until the 7 April
Wednesdays 7:30pm - 9pm until the 8 April
at the Methodist Chapel.

March

Wed 18 - Holy Communion 10:30am

Sunday 22 - Mothering Sunday Do invite people to come

Mon 23 - NDCT at St Michael's Church 8pm

Tue 24 - Meeting with our Architect 7:30pm

Wed 25 - PCC meeting 7:30pm

April

Sun 5 - Palm Sunday
Compline prayer 7:30pm at the Vicarage

Wed 8 - Mothers' Union - Hot Cross Buns at the Bannon's house, leave the Green at 2pm

Thu 9 - Maundy Thursday Service 7:30pm

Fri 10 - Good Friday 10am

Sun 12 Easter Sunday 9 & 10:45am

Sundays

Holy Communion 9am
Breakfast gathering 10:10am
The 10:45 Church with a difference at 10:45am

Other regular events

See diary or ask for more details

Monthly Holy Communion
10:30am

Find out more about our Life Group, Knit and Natter, Men's group and upLIFT on our website or ask someone over breakfast.

Giving

It costs about £2000 a week to keep church open, and our giving always falls short.

Please consider giving by standing order and making use of gift aid if you pay tax.

Re-ordering update

Mark Pearce (KPS) our Architect now has plans of the church and is helping us to carry out an options appraisal to assess the options available to help us improve the church building.



Church Family News

15 March
Lent 3

Jesus said what "I give them will become...
a spring of water welling up to eternal life.'

John 4:14

Welcome

Are you new?

Thank you for coming, it is so good to have you with us, especially if you are new or visiting. We hope you feel really welcome and if you have a question don't hesitate to ask.

Between our services from 10:10am-10:45am, you are invited to join us for breakfast and a chat, it would be great to get to know you better.

Children and Babies

We are thrilled to have children of all ages with us and expect them to move around and make a noise. We have a Creche and changing facilities, through the glazed door in the corner. During the 10:45 there are activities for all ages, discussion and music.

Contact us

Priest in charge - Rev Stephen Bazely (Usually off Thursday/Friday)
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Assistant Priest - Fr. Lyndon Bannon (In School Mon-Fri)

Wardens - David Compton 0151 327 4760 & Viv Ley 0151 327 6053

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Corona Virus update

We are currently following the Church of England's guidance which is to suspend sharing the peace physically and to only distribute wafers during communion. We will also be using the box to take our collection rather than passing around the plates. At the time of writing, services, events and meetings will continue as planned. However, if we receive further advice this may change. Please make sure to wash your hands regularly and if you have any symptoms to refrain from joining us for the moment. Thank you!

A prayer for wholeness and healing

Bishop Keith shared this prayer in a letter to clergy as we pray for one another and for those on the front line wherever that may be:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

#LIVE LENT Live Lent: Care for God's Creation

Find out more about this free Lent reflection available as a booklet, App, email or to listen to on your smart device. Visit churchofengland.org to get access.

Encouraging words when things are out of our hands

With everything going on it may feel as though things are beyond control or that God is powerless. Yet God has not changed and we will see his goodness even in the midst of viruses, ill health and Brexit.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Hebrews 13:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Isaiah 40:8

If we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself. 2 Timothy 2:13

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. Isaiah 40:28

Lent 3: Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Next Sunday: Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41

Prayer

A prayer for our diocese

Heavenly Father, you have called us to be your disciples and to build your Kingdom across the Diocese of Chester. We pray for the person you are calling to be the next Bishop of Chester; strengthen them in the power your Holy Spirit to answer your call and serve your church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Can we pray for you or someone you know?

We pray for anyone who would value our prayers. Contact Rev Stephen at cc.willaston@gmail.com or call 0151 327 3639. If they are not part of one of our congregations we will need their permission.

People to pray for... Jeanette Kebbel, Pat & Ted Dew, David West, Fred Chapman, Joyce & Alan Roberts, Pam & Dick Ashton, Gordon & Eileen Richmond, Gill Parrett, Inneen & Bob Taylor, Matthew Cottier, Denis Cottier, Elin Laidouni & family, Maria Jakubczak and Ruth Atherton.

Those grieving the loss of... Susan Pugh, John Leedham, Rita Dodgson, Barbara Shelbourne, Sheila Drury, Eileen Chorlton, Olive MacDonald, Gwen Thomas and Beryl Edwards.

Prayer suggestions:

- For God to bless the businesses, school and farms in our parish
- For those affected by flooding and extreme weather
- For anyone scared or anxious because of the Coronavirus and for those who are ill or who have lost family.
- For the impact of the virus on communities, companies and employees