

The Marden Vale Team Ministry

Christ Church, Derry Hill – St. John the Baptist, Foxham – St. Martin, Bremhill

Sunday 1st March – Lent 1

Today's Services

Bremhill: 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) and 6pm Evensong (BCP)

Foxham: 9.30am Holy Communion (CW)

Derry Hill: 11am Parish Eucharist (CW)

Welcome to our Worship, especially if you are visiting or joining us for the first time. We hope you will feel at home – if you need any assistance please speak to a sidesperson who will be glad to help. At Derry Hill and Bremhill there is an induction loop for the hard of hearing – please turn to 'T' on your hearing aid. If you require a gluten-free wafer please let a sidesperson know before the service.

Today's readings: *Psalm 32 Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11*

Collect

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom
and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Events & Services this week: (CC = Christ Church, Derry Hill)

Tue	3 rd	7.00pm PCC Meeting at CC
Wed	4 th	9.00am LPA Meeting at The Vicarage 2.30pm MU Prayer & Fellowship Group at CC 6.00pm Meditation at CC 7.30pm Handbells at CC
Thu	5 th	4.00pm Choir Practice at CC
Fri	6 th	10-11.30am Coffee & Cake at Bremhill Village Hall 10.30am World Day of Prayer at Calne Methodist Church 12 noon Interment of Ashes at CC
Sat	7 th	9.00am Lent Breakfast at CC – details below

Next Week's Services Sunday 8th March – Lent 2

9.30am Family Service at Foxham
11.00am Parish Eucharist (CW) at Bremhill
11.00am All Age Eucharist (CW) at Derry Hill

Readings: Psalm 121
Genesis 12:1-4
Romans 4:1-5,13-17
John 3:1-17

St. Martin, Bremhill and St. John the Baptist, Foxham Electoral Roll

Revision of the Electoral Roll for the above-mentioned churches begins on **8th March and continues until 3rd April**. If you are not already on the church's electoral roll and would like your name to be included, please complete a form which is available at the back of church and return it to Judy Scott at Bremhill and Elizabeth Hannah at Foxham.

Mothers' Union Prayer & Fellowship Group

will meet on Wed 4th March at 2.30pm in Christ Church where we shall be given a short talk on Flowers, Plants & Folk Lore by Mary Hobbs. This will be followed by refreshments and all are most welcome to join us.

Lent Courses in the Marden Vale Team

Saturdays at 9.00am at Christ Church, Derry Hill using "Saying Yes To Life". Led by Linda Carter. From 29th February.

Mondays at 7.45pm at 23, Wessington Park using "Journey to the Cross". Led by Jenny Colby. From 2nd March.

Wednesdays – 10.45am after the 10.00am Eucharist at Church House. "Journey to the Cross" Led by Teresa Michaux and Enid Powell. From 5th March.

Holiday Club

There will be an Easter Holiday Club at Christ Church, Derry Hill on Wednesday 8th April. If you are available and would like to help, please let Linda Carter know asap. Thanks. (01249 817926)

Further details to follow.

Dates of Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs)

Christ Church, Derry Hill: 15th March at 12.30pm

St. Martin, Bremhill: 26th April at 10.30am

St. John the Baptist, Foxham: 28th April at 7.30pm

If you are interested in becoming a member of the PCC or serving as a churchwarden and would like to know more, please speak to Linda Carter.

Please take this Pew Sheet home!

In the coming week please pray for:

- those affected by extreme weather conditions, especially those affected by Storm Jorge
- all who are affected by coronavirus
- the situation in Idlib, Syria
- Lucy Ayles (YWAM) as she leads and teaches at Discipleship Training School
- the work of Christian Aid, particularly healthcare in Sierra Leone
- our brothers and sisters in Sudan & South Sudan; in Yemen
- all who are sick, awaiting diagnosis, those in hospital. Especially we pray for: **Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Len Jones, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, David Bates, Jennifer Pope, Helen Lewis, Jackson Goodship, Jane Jordan, Angela Barker, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Bill Norman, Brenda Beint, Peter Lansdell and Sonia Strange.**
- All who have recently died, the bereaved, and all whose anniversary of death falls at this time. We remember especially, Tony Strange, Frederick Pickering, Rev'd Guy Oswald and David Clark who have died recently.
- ***In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:*** Please pray for the *Iglesia Anglicana de Chile* The Most Revd Héctor (Tito) Zavala Muñoz - Bishop of Santiago & Primate.

The churches in Derry Hill and Bremhill are open daily to anyone seeking a quiet, peaceful space.

*Christ Church, Derry Hill 8.30pm until dusk
St. Martin's, Bremhill 7.30am until 4pm*



Contacts:

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Please send any notices for the Pew Sheet &/or website by Thursday am to Linda.

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Saying Yes to Life lifts our focus from natural, everyday concerns to issues that are having an impact on millions of lives around the world. As people made in the image of God, we are entrusted to look after what he has created: to share in God's joy and ingenuity in making a difference for good. Ruth Valerio imaginatively draws on the Days of Creation (Genesis 1) as she relates themes of light, water, land, the seasons, other creatures, humankind, Sabbath rest and resurrection hope to matters of environmental, ethical and social concern. Foundational to Saying Yes to Life is what it means to be human and, in particular, to be a follower of Jesus. Voices from around the world are heard throughout, and each chapter ends with discussion questions and a prayer to aid action and contemplation.

***'Ruth Valerio's book is perfect for individuals and groups to think, reflect, pray and be challenged together.'* JUSTIN WELBY**

This year's Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book is 'Saying Yes to Life' by Dr Ruth Valerio – environmentalist, theologian, social activist and author. Dr Valerio is the Director of Global Advocacy and Influencing at Tearfund.

We are using this book as a focus for discussion at our Lent Breakfasts which will take place each Saturday morning during the season of Lent (beginning 29th February) at 9am at Christ Church, Derry Hill.

If you would like a copy of the book let me know so I can take advantage of a group discount (£6.50 each).

Join us for a simple breakfast and good conversation. All welcome!

Linda Carter

A prayer on light from the United States of America

To the one who surges into the fissures that cannot be accessed.

To the one who floods into the crevices that cannot be reached.

To the one whose presence exposes, clarifies, restores, and cultivates.

We bask. We thrive. We harbor no secrets. We hold onto no heaviness we fear makes us unloved.

You are the first ingredient for life.

The universe, not to mention our hearts, would wither away without you. Light of the world.

Amen.