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The Marden Vale Team Ministry

Derry Hill: Christ Church - Foxham: St. John the Baptist - Bremhill: St. Martin Calne & Blackland: St. Mary the Virgin, Holy Trinity, St. Peter

Notices for 26th March 2023 - Lent 5

Services around the Team

Sunday 26th March - Lent 5

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's

10am Morning Prayer at St Mary's
10am All Age Communion at St Martin's
10.45am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
2pm Baptism at Christ Church

6pm Evensong at St John the Baptist

Wednesday 29th March

10am Holy Communion at St Mary's

Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday

8am Holy Communion at St Mary's
10am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's
10am Family Service at Holy Trinity
10am Morning Worship at St Martin's
10.30am All Age Communion at Christ Church

6pm Evensong at Bowood Chapel

Calne Food Bank

Open 12pm-4pm Mon & Fri, 10am-1pm Wed 4A Mill Street, Calne, SN11 8DP www.calnefoodbank.co.uk calnefoodbank@gmail.com

Givina

Find out how to support your local church on our Giving page. QR Codes available in church.

Support Ukraine: Information from the Church of England and Salisbury Diocese about how you can help here

Bible Study Group - Derry Hill

Tuesday evenings 7-8.30pm Hosted by Rachel Collins at 8 Barry Place, DH Next meeting 28th March. Break for Easter, resuming 18th April with a study of Jesus' miracles.

Diary for March/April

Tue 28th 7pm Bible Study Group, Derry Hill Wed 29th 12pm Funeral - St Mary's; Committal DH (The late Philip Cureton)

6pm Meditation at Christ Church, DH 7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church, DH Thu 30th 10.30am Coffee&Chat - Christ Church DH Fri 31st 9.15am School Easter Svc at Christ Church 10am Coffee & Cake at Bremhill Village Hall **Prayer:** Click here to leave prayer requests or to join the Church of England Daily Prayer

The sick: Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Sonia Strange, Judy Scott, Amelia Bolter, Colette Som, Ken Goodship.

The departed: Joyce Robbins, Arthur Johns, Philip Cureton, Ralph Seed, Maureen Goulding; all who mourn the loss of loved ones; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of South America **Ukrainian Families:** Please pray for the families and individuals who are living among us. May they find peace, comfort, friendship and a warm welcome here. After a year of fighting we pray for peace to come to Ukraine.

Climate: We pray for all who are affected by extreme weather conditions

Earthquake: We pray for all affected by the earthquake in Turkey & Syria

School: We pray for all the children, young people and staff of our local schools.

Vacancy: Please pray for wisdom, guidance and generosity of spirit as we seek to appoint a new Team Rector.

Baptism: We pray for Rosie, to be baptised at Christ Church this Sunday.

Churches open for private prayer

Bremhill - daily from 9am to 4pm

Derry Hill - Tue-Sat 9am to 4pm, Sundays 12-4pm

Foxham - Sundays 11am-4pm

Electoral Roll Revision

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) for each parish will take place in April. In anticipation of this, the Electoral Rolls are due to be revised. Joining the Roll does not commit you any further but it does enable you to participate fully in the APCM.

If you are already on your church electoral roll you do not need to take any action as your name will remain on it. If you would like your name to be **added**, or if your details have changed, please complete the attached application form and send it to the appropriate parish (details below). Forms are also available in the church porch.

St Martin's, Bremhill

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Revision of the Electoral Roll begins on 26th February and ends on 26th March 2023.

St John the Baptist, Foxham

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Keeping in touch

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Website www.mardenvale.org.uk

Derry Hill's Facebook page Foxham's Facebook Page

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Readings for Lent 5

Collect

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.

Psalm 130

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.