

Notices week commencing 2 April 2023

Regular events:

Our regular events will not take place for 2 weeks during the school holidays.

Tuesday Church House: 10:00-11:30 SMUFs (St. Mary's Under Fives) Term time only.

Wednesday Church House: 15:30 - 17:30 Wednesday Club for children aged 4-11. Term time only

Other Notices:

Sunday 2 April: 18:00 - Evensong in Bowood chapel

Monday 3 April: 09:00 - The AGM for FOSP (Friends of St Peters)

Tuesday 4 April: 12:00 - Funeral of the late Ralph Seed in Holy Trinity church

Between Tuesday 4 April and Thursday 6 April: Installation of the restored clock face to St Mary's tower will take place, weather permitting. Look out for the workers abseiling down the tower!

Please note that Morning prayers on Tuesdays at 08:30 and Evening prayers on Thursdays at 17:30 in St. Mary's church have now come to an end.

Services around the Benefice for Holy Week:

Monday 3 April

19:30 St. Mary's Compline

19:30 Christ Church, Derry Hill Compline

Tuesday 4 April

19:30 St. Mary's Compline

19:30 Christ Church, Derry Hill Compline

Wednesday 5 April

19:30 St. Mary's Compline

19:30 Christ Church, Derry Hill Compline

Maundy Thursday

19:30 St. Mary's Holy Communion

19:30 Christ Church, Derry Hill Holy Communion

Good Friday

12:00 St. Martin's, Bremhill - At the Foot of the Cross

14:00 Christ Church, Derry Hill - At the Foot of the Cross

14:00 St. Mary's - An Hour at the Cross

19:00 St. Marys - Choral Meditation

Good Friday 7 April - Cherhill church will be carrying a cross up onto the downs leaving the church at 14:00 all are welcome to join this march of witness

Saturday 8 April Easter Eve - 20:00 -St. Edmunds Church - Easter Vigil

Please pray for:

All those effected by the Tornado in Mississippi.

For the victims, families and friends following the tragic shooting in Nashville.

The people of Afghanistan, East Africa, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Myanmar, Somalia, South Sudan, Syria, Turkey, Ukraine, and especially those who have become refugees because of conflict.

The victims of violence and for those who have lost their homes because of natural disaster or famine.

For those helping people and families in poverty.

All in need of God's healing, especially those known to this Parish; Cheryl Heaton, Christopher, Connor, Revd Craig Manley, Curtis, Debbie Smith, Eddie Elliott, Goff Morris, Jackie Anness, Jennifer Fenton, John Keller, baby Kallie Davey, Nicola Rigby, Rex Hitchens, Teresa Elliott, Thomas.

All those who mourn the loss of a loved one and especially the family and friends of; Joyce Robbins, Arthur Johns, Philip Cureton, Ralph Seed, Maureen Goulding and Paul Woodman who have recently died: all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Care for each other - if you become aware that someone from the church is in need of a phone call, visit or is in hospital then please advise the Parish office (01249 816522) so that a member of the ministry team can help.

Short listing for the post of Team Rector will take place this week

Deanery Synod reps will be appointed at the APCM.

The synod meets three times a year and in addition to the business part of the evening there is a visiting speaker or a special focus. I have particularly appreciated the last two synods. In October we experienced Cafe Style and Contemplative Worship, and in February we learnt about the recently completed St Mary's Purton Renewal Project.

Could you be interested in joining the Deanery Synod, if so I am happy to give you more information.
Mary Pilcher-Clayton

We would like to thank all who give financially to support the parish. You can give by; using the collection plate at the back of the church, or by standing order, or a weekly envelope, or through the parish website, or using the card reader in St. Mary's, Please gift aid if you can, it gives that little extra but costs you nothing. To find out more about how to give, please contact our treasurer, grahamspencer1947@outlook.com.

Please support Christian Aid's work in Turkey, Syria, Ukraine & elsewhere, by making a donation, see <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies> for more information.

Church House will be closed on the Bank holidays - Good Friday 7 April and Easter Monday 10 April