

WELCOME to members of the congregation of Trinity Church joining us for our Palm Sunday liturgy and to their clergy.

THANK YOU to the St Michael's team who helped with the care decorating for children stall last Saturday's The Big Easter Event and Passion Play: Joyce, Carol, Krissi and Jane Cadogan helped children decorate about 100 cupcakes. Our stall was a popular activity and it was good to wave the flag for our church. *Jane Cadogan*

CHURCH HEATING There have been problems with the heating recently so please wrap up warm in case it is not working on Sunday and the following days.

PARISH OFFICE EASTER CLOSURE The office will be closed on Friday 19 April and will reopen on Tuesday 23 April.

EASTER GIFTS raising funds for St Michael's. See the book and card stall for 50p Easter cards and Church mugs with chocolate in, a great treat for £10.

KEEP EASTER SPECIAL: We achieve this only by following Jesus on the Way to the Cross through the days of Holy Week. The Bishop of Oxford's Chaplain, The Revd Paul Cowan, will preach at the evening Masses on Mon – Weds inclusive on 'The Last Words of Jesus'. Please do come to these celebrations and give him your customary warm welcome. On Maundy Thursday, 18 April, Mass will be celebrated at 12.30 pm as usual and there will be a Sung Mass at 8.00 pm which will include the Washing of Feet. If you would like to participate in this, please let me know before or on Palm Sunday (14 April). This Mass will conclude with the Watch of the Passion, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, until midnight (when Compline will be said). I would encourage you to spend some time in prayer on this solemn and holy night, but please remember it is important for at least two people to be in church at all times. If you can cover a part of this period, please sign the sheet on the notice board at the back of church. On Good Friday, we contemplate the Passion of the Lord, and centre our prayer on His death for us. The next evening, on Holy Saturday, I invite you to join us for a vigil of prayer and readings as we prepare for the First Mass of Easter and proclaim Christ as our Risen Lord. Our Mass on Sunday morning is at the usual time when we celebrate the Resurrection with joy and thanksgiving.

Full details of times of services appear elsewhere in today's pewleaflet. Please check those and join in as much as you can for a blessed Holy Week and Easter. *Father Paul*

CIRCLE DANCING There will be no circle dancing on Maundy Thursday,.

BACH'S ST. JOHN PASSION, one of the greatest musical representations of the passion of Christ will be performed in St Helen's Church on Good Friday at 7.00 pm; admission is free (but donations are invited). Please book the date in your diaries and invite your friends and neighbours.

WORLD LABYRINTH DAY is Saturday 4 May. The church will be open from 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm for people to walk and pray the Labyrinth. In particular we hope to have a good number of participants at 1 pm to join in the worldwide 'Walk as One at 1'. At St Michael's this will be followed by prayers and a simple bread and cheese lunch. All are welcome.



St MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

14th April 2019

Palm Sunday

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Web site: <https://www.stmichaels-abingdon.org.uk>

Please join us for coffee or tea after our 9.30am service today.

If you are a visitor to St Michael's and would like us to keep in touch with you please speak to a churchwarden or sidesperson.

Please take home copies of this Leaflet for your friends and family who are not in church this weekend.

Items for inclusion in the next Leaflet to be sent to David Duce by midday on MONDAY 15 April. Telephone 522591, pewleaflet@stmichaels-abingdon.org.uk

[*for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals please contact the Parish Office]

Sunday 14th April Palm Sunday

08.00	Palm Blessing & Holy Communion (1662) at St. Helens'.
09.30	Palm Procession & Sung Mass at St. Michael's. Joint service with the congregation of Trinity Church.
10.30	Palm Procession & Sung Eucharist at St. Helen's.
11.15	Holy Communion with Blessing of Palms at St. Nicolas'.
17.30	Taizé at St. Helen's.
Palm Gospel	Luke 19.28-40
1st Reading	Isaiah 50.4-9a
Psalm	Psalm 31.9-16
2nd Reading	Philippians 2.5-11
Passion	Luke (22.14 – 23 end)

Holy Week Services

(Morning and Evening Prayer at St Helen's.)

Mon - Wed:	19.30 Said Mass with Address. The Revd Paul Cowan, Chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford Monday: 'Father forgive them'; Tuesday: 'I thirst' Wednesday: 'Into your hands I commend my spirit'.
Maundy Thurs:	12.30 Said Mass followed by a light lunch. No Circle Dancing today. 20.00 Sung Mass followed by Watch of the Passion and Compline at midnight.
Good Friday:	10.00 Children's Service with craft activities followed by refreshments 14.00 Good Friday Liturgy.
Saturday:	20.00 Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter.

Sunday 21st April Easter Day

08.00	Holy Communion (1662) at St. Helen's with hymns.
09.30	Sung Mass of the Resurrection at St. Michael's.
10.30	Festival Eucharist of the Resurrection at St. Helen's.
11.15	Holy Communion at St. Nicolas'.
17.30	No evening service at St. Helen's.
1st Reading	Acts 10.34-43
Psalm	Psalm 118. 14-24
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 15.19-26
Gospel	John 20.1-18

Clergy Rota for St Michael's

21 April	The Revd Paul Smith
28 April	The Revd Paul Smith/ Mrs Beryl Clements
5 May	The Revd Mary Williamson

Mass will be preceded by a welcome and a short period of silence

Hymns (NEH)	(The words are printed in the service booklet)	
Procession:	Ride on, ride on in majesty	511
	All glory, laud and honour	509
Offertory:	My song is love unknown	86
Communion:	Drop, drop, slow tears	305
Communion:	O dearest Lord, thy sacred head	89
Post Communion:	We sing the praise of him who died	94

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord... Amen

Psalm 31.9-16 (See service booklet)

Response: I trust in you, O Lord, for you are my God.

Please pray for:

- the congregation of Trinity Church, The Revd Ian Griffiths and deacon Selina Nisbett;
 - Fr Paul Cowan who will be preaching for us in the first part of Holy Week;
 - those who suffer or are persecuted for their faith;
 - all those who are falsely accused,
 - all victims of violence and injustice;
 - people in our parish living in The Motte, The Old Foundry, The Pentagon and The Quadrant.
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