

BILL POTTER It is with sadness that we announce the death of Bill, who died on Saturday 7 March. Bill's Funeral will take place here on Saturday 21 March at 2.00pm. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. *Fr Paul*

CORONA VIRUS Following instructions from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York the church has suspended the use of the Common Chalice at the Eucharist. Only the presiding priest shall receive from the chalice. We shall receive in one kind only, which is sufficient for our Holy Communion. We shall also refrain from sharing the Peace. If you are concerned about a time which might come when you will have to self-isolate and wonder how you will manage, help will be available. The parish is compiling a list of those who may need help or just to keep in contact. If you would like to be on such a list, please let the Office know (01235-520144). If you have other concerns, please do speak with me, and in this time of uncertainty we pray for ourselves and for others. *Fr Paul*

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION The Electoral Roll is being revised in the period Saturday 7 March to Sunday 29 March. This is our official membership list, and you need to be on it in order to be able to vote at the Annual Church Meeting. If you are not already on the Electoral Roll and would like your name to be added, please complete the simple application form, available at the back of the church, or from Keith Bowman. Your name can be added to the Roll if you are baptised and aged 16 or over, and you satisfy some other simple conditions. Please speak to Keith if you have any questions about this and also let him know if your name or address have changed in the past year.

EASTER FLOWERS If you would like to contribute towards these please sign the list in church and see Hilary Clare, preferably well before Palm Sunday.

LENT COLLECTION If you would like to save loose change for TAB and TARIRO, please collect in your own container (e.g. a jam jar) and bring to church on Easter Day.

CIA LENT LECTURES – Mondays 16, 23 and 30 March – 8 pm at St Helen's Church, South Aisle, led by The Revd Dr Charles Miller. The theme will be: Pilgrimage to Vence: Henri Matisse's 'Chapel of the Rosary' and the transformation of Christian art in the 20th century. Further details on the welcome table.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will take place at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday 18 March**. We are invited to St Mary's Convent on **Tuesday 31 March** to walk their Stations, beginning at 2.30pm. If you would like to come please let me know by 17 March at the latest. Subject to confirmation, there will be an evening Mass at St Helen's on Wednesday 25 March for the Feast of the Annunciation of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Thank you *Fr Paul*

FESTIVAL OF PRAYER, Saturday 11 July, Ripon College, Cuddesdon. Featuring a keynote address from Gemma Simmonds CJ, thought-provoking workshops led by authors, speakers, teachers and clergy, one-to-one sessions on spiritual direction, as well as dedicated time and space for personal reflection. It is advisable to book early to avoid disappointment. <https://www.brfonline.org.uk/fop2020>.



St MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

15th March 2020

3rd Sunday of Lent

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Please join us for coffee or tea after our 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 Tuesday. Telephone 522591,
pewleaflet@stmichaels-abingdon.org.uk***

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

Sunday 15th March 3rd Sunday of Lent

08.00	Holy Communion (1662) at St. Nicolas'. The Revd Canon Charles Masheder
09.30	Sung Mass at St. Michael's. The Revd Paul Smith/ Mrs Beryl Clements
10.30	Sung Eucharist with Great Litany at St. Helen's. The Revd Jen Brown/ The Revd Professor John Barton
11.15	'Third Sunday' at St Nicolas'.
17.30	Choral Evensong at St. Helen's.
1st Reading	Exodus 17.1-7
Psalm	95
2nd Reading	Romans 5.1-11
Gospel	John 4.5-42

Week Day Services

(Morning (9.10) and Evening Prayer (17.10) at St Helen's.)

Tues:	No Evening Mass during Lent.
Wed:	Stations of the Cross. at 19.30.
Thurs:	Said Mass at 12.30, followed by a light lunch; preceded by Circle Dancing at 11.00.

The Sanctuary Lamps are sponsored from 16th to 22nd March by Sue Scott in memory of Joyce Scott.

Sunday 22nd March 4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

08.00	Holy Communion (1662) at St. Nicolas'.
09.30	Sung Mass at St. Michael's.
10.30	Sung Eucharist at St. Helen's.
11.15	Holy Communion at St Nicolas'.
17.30	Healing and Wholeness at St. Helen's.
1st Reading	Exodus 2.1-10
Psalm	34.11-20
2nd Reading	2 Corinthians 1.3-7
Gospel	Luke 2.33-35 or John 19.25b-27

Clergy Rota for St Michael's

22 March	The Revd Paul Smith
29 March	The Revd Paul Smith/ Mrs Gwen Bevington
5 April	The Revd Paul Smith

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

Hymns (NEH)

Opening	Glorious things of thee are spoken	362
Offertory	Jesu, lover of my soul	383
Communion I	Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts	292
Communion II	Once only once, and once for all	304
Recessional	Guide me O thou great redeemer	368

Collect

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 ... Amen.

Psalm 95

Response: O come let us worship and bow down and kneel before our Maker.

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving and be glad in him with psalms. **R.** For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. In his hands are the depths of the earth and the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have moulded the dry land. **R.**

Come, let us worship and bow down and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God; we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. **R.**

Please pray for:

- the church in this Lenten season, for growth in self-denial and prayer;
- those who travel far to collect water and for our wise use of this commodity;
- those affected by the Corona virus, for the vulnerable, and those who are anxious or concerned;
- people in our parish living in Potenger Way, Preston Road, Pudsey Close and Quakers Court.