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MARCH ON!

17th St Patrick's Day

25th Palm Sunday

29th Maundy Thursday

30th Good Friday

31st Easter Eve

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The Vicar writes

I couldn't begin to estimate how many times I have made the short walk from Vicarage to church and back again. Many thousands, I suppose. Recently, though, I have tried to make a particular point of listening out for birdsong as I go between the two. For years I had been completely unconscious of the birds' singing as I went, it entirely faded into the background, my thoughts lost in whatever I was about to do. But now- when I remember to listen out- the walk of a mere minute or two is alive with magpies, blackbirds, long-tailed tits, great tits, wood pigeons, robins, and more. There is a whole layer of richness even joy, in a regular activity I for so long took for granted.

Even prayer and worship can fall into formalism at times. It is possible for prayers to be said by rote, our minds tune out of the meaning, we miss the spirit and the joy. This can be true for our daily prayers, or our regular Sunday worship. It can also be true for the seasons of Passiontide and Easter. We can find ourselves thinking, "here we go again", and, as it were, sleepwalk through Lent and Eastertide.

If that observation strikes a chord, then I say: sleeper, awake! Let us all remember that the cross and resurrection are both events of cosmic significance, and also moments that can speak to us deep within our souls. Of all the special days of the Christian year, these are not ones we should take for granted, or overlook. Holy Week begins on 25 March, with Easter Day on 1 April. Perhaps you could do something new this Holy Week? You could read the Passion account in one of the gospels (e.g Mark's gospel chapter 14 to the end), slowly, prayerfully, a little each day. Or come to a service in Holy Week which you don't usually attend. The services are not 'more of the same' during this time: each service allows us to experience a different aspect of the Passion and Resurrection.

I am writing this before Lent begins, so it seems odd to be thinking about Easter Day already! This is happening because of the way Easter falls this year, but it also means you will be reading this EPN some weeks before Holy Week, and I hope that gives you enough time to think over my words and, if you agree with them, put them into practice. I think if there is one time in the year we should clear our diaries and put worship in church first, Holy Week is the week. If we walk with Jesus through Holy Week, we carry that experience with us through the rest of the year. All that we do in the year ahead, I have found, is enriched by attention to Holy Week and Easter. We become more attuned to the presence of Christ in the world. This attention brings a new layer of richness and joy, like the birdsong, newly-discovered, on my walk to church.

LENT PROJECT

During Lent, St Mary's is supporting Princess Alice Hospice. It's not too late to support them, either with cash

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SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Sunday School meets in conjunction with this service in term time. There is coffee in the church hall between the 9.30 and 11 o'clock services on Sunday mornings, to which all are welcome, and especially newcomers and visitors.

LATE MORNING SERVICE varies by Sunday in the month

The usual pattern is our all-age **Praise@11** on the first Sunday at 11am; 11.15am **Choral Mattins** on the second Sunday; 11am **Toddle Up**, a short and very informal service for toddlers and their families on the third Sunday; and 11.15am **Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism** on the fourth Sunday. The pattern changes on special occasions: see the calendar on the back page for details of this month.

1700 Second Sunday of the month ALL-IN An inclusive all-age service with something for everyone. Followed at 6pm-6:45pm by Club Sandwich, a youth group for 7-11s.

1730 Once a month CHORAL EVENSONG Just like a cathedral Evensong in our own parish church. Usually the third Sunday but see the calendar on the back page for details.

Occasionally there are variations from this pattern; details are given in this paper, on the Notice Board or in the Weekly Notes available on Sundays.

ON WEEKDAYS

Morning prayer is usually said at 9 am Tuesdays, in church. See the Weekly Notes or phone ahead to make sure. The Eucharist is celebrated on Tuesdays at 10 am, at the Side Chapel.

THE PARISH OFFICE

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St Mary's Church is in London Road, Ewell, and the Parish Office is in the Sacristy on the south side of the church.

The Office hours are normally 9.30-12.00 Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, but please check before visiting as appointments are usually needed.

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CAFE NESCOT

On Tuesdays in
term time, students
from NESCOT are
serving simple lunches
in our church hall
(London Rd, opposite
the church) between
12 and 2pm.

Soup, sandwiches,
salad, and cakes,
with tea, coffee, and
soft drinks.

Everyone welcome!

(Lent boxes are available in church which can be brought back on Easter Day), or by giving online at www.pah.org.uk Donating to Princess Alice Hospice means they can continue providing compassionate care and support for patients, their families and carers.

RESEARCH TRIP TO DOMINICA

Kimberley V-T, one of the teenagers who helps at our All-in service, writes: "Hello all. I'd like to inform you about a biology excursion I will be going on in 2019 to Dominica. I will be working alongside some amazing scientists as we research some of the vegetation and living creatures that are found in Dominica. Also, I will be undergoing conservation work as well as scuba diving. This trip is a once in a lifetime opportunity that I have been selected for. I am holding an old and foreign currency collection- Thank you for the support." There's a labelled jar in church in the welcome area if you can contribute any old or foreign currency to support Kimberley's project. If you would like to find out more please contact the parish office who will pass on your message.

NEW PUBLICITY OFFICER

As explained in recent issues of EPN, the PCC advertised for a new part-time role of Publicity and Social Media Officer. We were pleased to see a number of strong candidates apply for the position, but, following interviews, we are glad to announce that we have offered Kalli Pasqualucci the role, and she has accepted. Kalli should have begun work by the time you read this, and no doubt will introduce herself and her new role in a future edition of EPN. Kalli will work on all areas of publicity and communications, but in particular will help raise the church's profile online and through social media. I am sure this appointment will be a great step forward for St Mary's, in bringing our activities and events to the attention of more people and helping us carry out our mission statement to share the love of Christ with the people of Ewell.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

This edition of EPN will be the last edited by Lloyd and Promilla Mullen as they take a much-deserved retirement from the role. The Mullens' contribution to this magazine over very many years will be properly marked in the next edition, but meanwhile I would like to thank them for steering the good ship EPN over the waters through all of my time thus far in the parish, and for some years before. We intend to leave the editorship vacant for one or two editions as we review all of our communications and publicity. I am glad to say that Jenny and David Dance will continue to undertake EPN design and layout, and copy can still be submitted to epn@stmarysewell.com

PRAYER MINISTRY

Once a month at the 9.30am service, there is the opportunity to receive individual prayer after communion (or after receiving a blessing) in the parish room. We are doing this on the third Sunday of the month, and people come forward for a short individual time of prayer for any numbers of reasons: sickness, worry, or on behalf of another person. Please do come along to the service if you would like individual prayer, or do be in touch to find out more.

IN CHURCH IN MARCH

Every Sunday we begin with 8am Holy Communion, and at the *Continued on page 4*



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moment we are holding this in the chancel (choir area), which makes for a quiet and intimate beginning to the day. The Sung Eucharist follows every Sunday at 9.30am, with hymns, choral music, a sermon, and Holy Communion. There's usually Children's Hour (our Sunday school) meeting at the same time, and coffee/tea follows the service.

On Sunday 4 March, our all-age Praise@11 service is at 11am and there's an extra Choral Evensong at 5.30pm.

Mothering Sunday is on 11 March and because of the date it falls we are doing things a little bit differently this year. The 9.30am service will have a Mothering Sunday theme: there is no children's hour that day but the sermon during the service will be for all ages. Choral Mattins, the 1662 service with choral music, will be led by the parish choir at 11:15am. The main all-age service of the day will be All-In at 5pm. If you haven't been to All-In before this would be a great day to bring the whole family as we celebrate Mothering Sunday. It's very informal, with lots of different activity and parts to the service, something for everyone. It's followed by Club Sandwich at 6pm, our youth group for 7-11s.

At Toddle Up on 18 March our very informal service will help toddlers think about baptism. As part of this service, we read out the names of all those baptized in the past year, 2017, and pray for them. It starts at 11am and all are very welcome. Choral Evensong is at 5:30pm, and we mark the eve of St Joseph's day.

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on 25 March. At the 9:30am Eucharist we start outside the church (if fine) for the blessing of palms. There is no sermon, but the dramatic Passion gospel is read. At 11:15am there is a service of Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism. The parish choir are giving a free concert at 5:30pm, including Stainer's Crucifixion and other anthems and choral pieces. There is no set charge, but donations will be gratefully received on the evening in aid of the parish choir's forthcoming trips to sing at Portsmouth and Chichester cathedrals.

There are simple services of Holy Communion on Monday 26 at 7:30pm, on Tuesday 27 at 10am, and on Wednesday 28 at 12 noon.

Maundy Thursday (29 March) is the day of the Last Supper and Jesus' arrest. Our liturgy begins at 8pm with the reception of the holy oils, blessed by the bishop that morning, which will be used in the parish during the year ahead. We recall Jesus' commandment to love one another and the footwashing of the disciples. Receiving Holy Communion is very special on this day, the day Jesus instituted the Eucharist. After communion, the altar is stripped and we move to the altar of repose for a silent watch till late in the evening. Please feel free to come and go during the evening.

Good Friday is on 30 March. Our children's stations of the cross is at 11am, and will be outside the church if fine.

This is always a very popular children's service that helps all ages to understand what Good Friday is about. From 12noon till 1:30pm, there will be readings, music, hymns, and reflections- please feel free to attend for part or all of this time. The choral liturgy of Good Friday starts at 2pm, with veneration of the cross and communion from the reserved sacrament. It ends at 3pm, the time Jesus died on the cross.

The church is then quiet for a time, until our Easter Vigil begins on Saturday evening at 8:30pm. We meet in the church hall, then gather for the blessing of the new fire outside church. We enter the church, which is in darkness lit only by our candles, reading the prophecies. Then, in a burst of light and music, the first Eucharist of Easter begins. This service includes the annual opportunity for us to renew our baptismal vows, and our Easter candle is blessed. As I probably write every year, this is my favourite service of the whole year, and I recommend anyone who had never been to come along.

On Easter Day itself, Sunday 1 April, we begin to celebrate at our 8am Holy Communion and 9:30am Sung Eucharist. We continue to celebrate at our Praise@11 all-age service which is at 11am. After Praise@11, there is an Easter egg hunt in the church grounds!

Your friend and Parish Priest

Russell Dewhurst

'COME TO THE WATERS'



Our parish retreat from 12-14 October 2018 will provide an opportunity to learn about different ways of praying while staying in beautiful surroundings at St Cuthmans, near Horsham <http://stcuthmans.org/>. We are privileged that our leader for the weekend will be Julie Leger Dunstan. Among other things, Julie is a Reader in the Church of England and a free-lance spiritual director. Booking forms will be available in church later this month. In the meantime, if you have any questions please have a word with Sue Ayling -

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Meets every Wednesday 3.30-4.30 in term time in the Church Hall. Craft, activities and games set out for children to dip in and out of. Drinks and snacks available. For children aged around 5-11 but older and younger are welcome! Parents/carers please stay and have a drink and a chat. £1 per session - no need to book. Any questions contact Fran Siddle on 07944-761629 or francesciddie@yahoo.co.uk.

SUGGESTED PRAYERS

Lord teach me to trust

Your wisdom to guide

Your goodness to provide

Your saving love and power

every day and every night

in sickness and in health

in poverty and wealth

in joy and grief

all the journey through.

Grant us, Lord, to spread true love in the world so that it may penetrate all circles, societies, economies and political systems, all factories, offices and cinemas. Grant that your love may penetrate the hearts of men and that we may never forget that the battle for a better world is a battle of love, in the service of love.

Michel Quoist

Lord, give us gaiety of spirit and a true sense of humour. Make us ready to laugh at ourselves, at our foolish pride, and our pompous ways. We thank thee for the gift of laughter. May our laughter always be with kindness, good humour, courage and understanding.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
And only look on us as found in him;
Look not on our misusings of thy grace,
Our prayers so languid, and our faith so dim;
For lo! between our sins and their reward
We set the passion of thy son, Our Lord.

Edward Darwin

If on a spring night I went by
And God were standing there
What is the prayer that I would cry
To Him? This is the prayer.

O Lord of courage grave,
O Master of this night of Spring!
Make firm in me a heart too brave
To ask Thee anything.

John Galsworthy

O Lord Jesus Christ ,
You have said that you are the way,
the truth and the life.
Suffer us not to stray from you, who are the way,
nor to distrust you, who are the truth,
nor to rest in anything other than you,
who are the life.

Erasmus

THE BATTLE GOES ON

The world's population increases. There are more Christians in Russia, China, Africa and Latin America. There is also more crime everywhere.

Between Good and Evil the battle goes on.

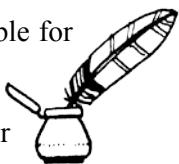
At our Ewell Village Fair an outsider might think life was a doddle. Only the insiders know the effort involved.

All this because of Jesus.

He remains the most impressive entrant into history and is remembered this month in the story of Good Friday and Easter, this year remembered in confluence with next month's April Fool's Day.

Each one of us, fool or not, is in the battle. There is no looking on from the touchline because there is no touchline.

Jesus makes victory in this battle possible for each individual through their special relationship with Him, and assists all others to straighten any special relationship their leaders may trumpet.



FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

28 January Penelope Rose Cox
 Abigail Ruth Larkin
 Gabriel Feliciano Sarmiento

FUNERALS

**And now, Lord, what is my hope?
Truly my hope is even in thee
(Psalm 39, used in the BCP Burial rite)**

30 January John Mackie Hitchen, aged 94

OLD TIME REQUEST

Does anybody have copies of Ewell Parish News for July 1976 and July 1982?

They would complete a collection from

Day One - 2 January 1972

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CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Our annual service to mark the celebration of marriage takes place on a Sunday near St Valentine's Day. This year the service was led by the Revd. Sue Ayling and the Vicar gave the sermon. He began by sharing a story of his own wedding. He recalled that he was looking forward to leaving his wedding in a car with metal cans tied on the back and a "Just Married" sign. In the event the venue did not allow for this, not to be thwarted, Russell and Elaine had a wheelie case with the cans attached and a large "Just Married" sign, (he produced the original for us all to see). He and Elaine pulled the case between their applauding guests as they left their celebration.

Hymns and readings were those that are frequently chosen for weddings. The anthem, The Holy City, sung by Tim Tomkins and the Widor's Toccata played by Rob Macchi, were sponsored by Brenda Philbrick and had been played at her and her husband Sidney's wedding many years ago.



Those who had been married at St Mary's were invited to attend the service. Afterwards they enjoyed a glass of "fizz" with members of the regular congregation while recalling tales of their own weddings.

JD

PUBLICITY

A warm welcome to Kalli Pasqualucci, our new Publicity and Social Media Officer who will start work at St Mary's on 19 February.

FEBRUARY CAPTION COMPETITION



The winner is Tony Tucker, with:

"Why can't Russell have a normal chess board like everyone else?"

Tony receives £20 for his favourite charity.

BOARD GAMES AFTERNOON

Board games afternoon was introduced to St Mary's by Russell when he became our vicar. A keen games player, Russell enjoys an opportunity to introduce some of his congregation to a wide range of new board games (as well as playing with his Christmas presents!).



A slightly smaller group than usual enjoyed racing "cars" around a track propelled by finger flicks, (boy racer George won!), fitting coloured shapes into a grid, competitive Patchwork, as well as the usual "cut throat" scrabble players!

Homemade cake and tea was an added attraction. A pleasant way to spend a cold January afternoon - why not give it a try next year?

JD



**Four men,
three women
and
the One on the cross**



GOOD FRIDAY

30 March from 12 noon to 1.30pm

Readings, hymns, music and reflections.
Come and go as you please.

FLOWERS AT ST. MARY'S

Spring will soon be upon us, the dark winter days just a memory and with that we can look forward to the spring flowers bursting forth, and buds on shrubs and trees, reminding us of the gift of the circle of life. Fresh flowers in church are a popular way of celebrating this season of regeneration. Once again you are invited to sponsor a lily in memory of a loved one which will be combined with the floral displays that are being planned by the team for St Mary's this Easter. Isn't our lovely church building even more beautiful when enhanced by lots of flowers?

Lilies are only £2.50 each. Last date for ordering is Sunday 18 March. Please contact Lucy Morrell on 020 8873 2184 or email lucy.morrell@ntlworld.com with details of how many lilies you would like and the name of the people to be remembered. Cash is preferred, or cheques can be made payable to St. Mary's Flower Arrangers and given to Lucy, or dropped in to the Parish Office in an envelope.

The main arrangement in front of the choir screen can also be sponsored at almost any time after Easter to celebrate a special occasion, anniversary or loved one, provided there isn't a wedding that weekend, and recognition can be put in the weekly notes if you wish. Two weeks advanced notice is helpful.

LM

DO WOODPECKERS GET A SORE HEAD?

Have you ever wondered how it is that Woodpeckers never seem to get a sore head?

There are three species of woodpecker in this country and, with luck, all can be found in Ewell. They need mature trees of which there are plenty here. I am sure everyone will be familiar with the image of one, at least: the Green Woodpecker, which was chosen as the logo for Bulmer's Cider. This bird has been for many years a regular inhabitant of the cider apple orchards of Herefordshire.

Green Woodpecker defies its name in that it does not habitually tap wood, or 'drum' as this activity is technically known. That is done by our two other Woodpecker species, the Great Spotted and the Lesser Spotted. For a number of years, expert ornithologists were divided on this very issue. Some maintained that 'drumming' is made vocally otherwise, surely, their brains would be permanently damaged. Others defended the notion that 'drumming' is a non-vocal activity. Anyway, it has now been proved by observation and analysis that 'drumming' is definitely made non-vocally. In practice a woodpecker carefully seeks out a particularly resonant branch and then taps it at speeds of 20 blows per second or more. One curious fact is that some Great Spotteds have recently discovered that 'drumming' on tin or other metal object is far more effective in proclaiming their territory than wood.

Then how is the bird's brain protected? One way is its bone structure. The bird's hyoid bone (humans have this as well) extends in a loop all around the skull, so that affords it some protection. Secondly their beaks are slightly asymmetrical and that lessens the force of the impact, especially the initial contact. Thirdly, there is a spongy layer of bone at the base of the beak which in turn helps soften the impact.

Granted that the nature of their skeletons allow the birds to 'drum' without ill effects. But why do they do it? Again, as alluded to above, it has been discovered that it is their equivalent of song: the birds' way of proclaiming and defending a territory, and also of acquiring and keeping a mate. 'Drumming' is not primarily done to seek food; although all woodpeckers are insect-eaters, they find their prey by probing the bark, not tapping it. All woodpeckers have exceptionally long tongues which they use to curve around tree-bark and extract any insect or spider hiding there. The Green Woodpecker has gone a stage further, and spends most of its time foraging on the ground where it looks for ants to which it is partial.

In recent years the Great Spotted Woodpecker has changed its habits and become more of a garden bird. It has adapted its tree-climbing ability to cling onto bird-feeders and extract peanuts and seeds. An unfortunate by-product of this behaviour, which may have existed already but which has become more prevalent, is that it has learned to drill into nest-boxes and extract chicks or eggs with which it will feed its own chicks.

ABBEYFIELD SOUTHERN OAKS THE OLD HOUSE EPSOM ROAD, EWELL

Abbeyfield provides high quality supported sheltered housing for local older residents. At the Old House we are looking for additional volunteers. This would involve sometimes attending the Tuesday morning coffee mornings when available and helping with outings and social events for the Residents. In the past we have taken the Residents to the Isabella Plantation, a trip on the river Thames, visit to Polesden Lacey. We have held a strawberry tea for the residents, the sponsors and volunteers, a Twelfth Night party, just to mention a few of the activities. Also various speakers have come to the Tuesday coffee morning and also a local group of hand-bell ringers.

Russell comes to the Old House once a month to hold a simple communion service for the residents.

If you think you might be interested or would like further information, please contact Jane Hicks on 0208 393 3829 or email - hicks.jane@sky.com.

The Old House is Grade 2 listed with a large attractive garden and has accommodation for ten people who each have their own room furnished with their treasured possessions. The house has a lift, an entry phone system and laundry facilities. The housekeeper (who lives on site) provides a home cooked lunch and high tea every day together with support to help ensure each resident's continued well being.

Women's World Day of Prayer Service

Friday 2 March 10 a.m.

This year St Mary's will host the WWDP service, written by the Christian women of Suriname, South America and entitled, "All God's Creation is Very Good!" This title was given to the women three years ago to produce the service. In view of the focus in the media about rubbish, particularly plastics, the service could not be more apt. Although it is the Women's World Day of Prayer, all are welcome.

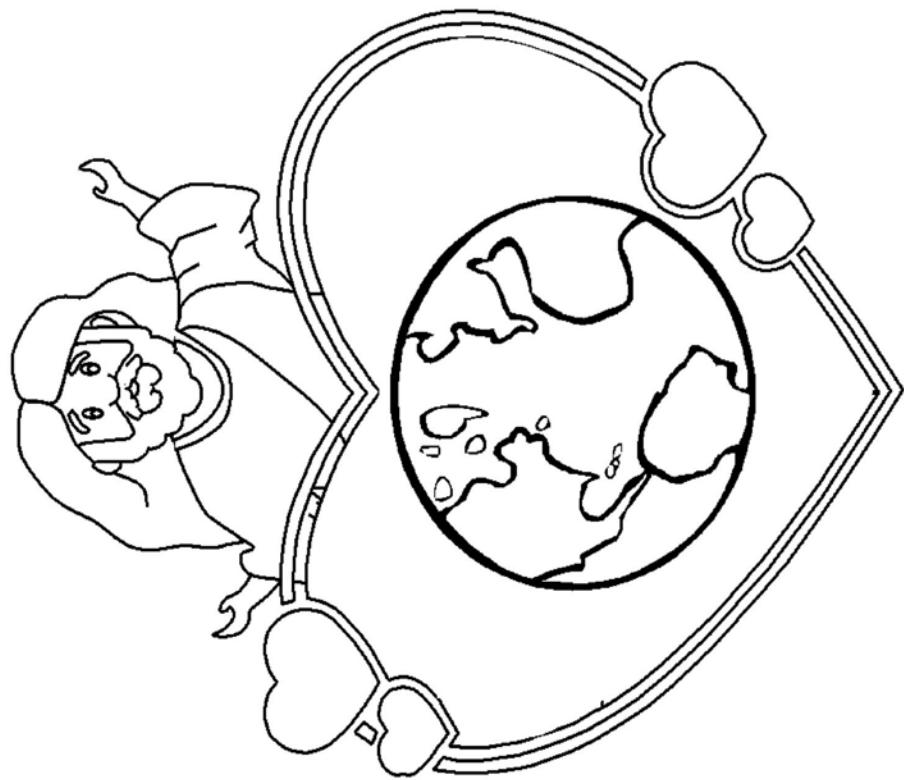
Please come if you can so that St Mary's can give a warm welcome to our visitors.

Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall after the service.

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Young Church Mag

11 March 2018; Fourth Sunday of Lent; John 3:14-21



God sent his only Son Jesus to be our

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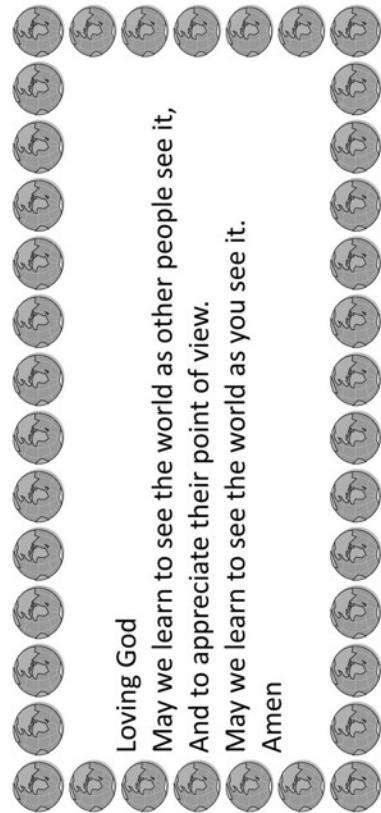
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Loving God

May we learn to see the world as other people see it,

And to appreciate their point of view.

May we learn to see the world as you see it.

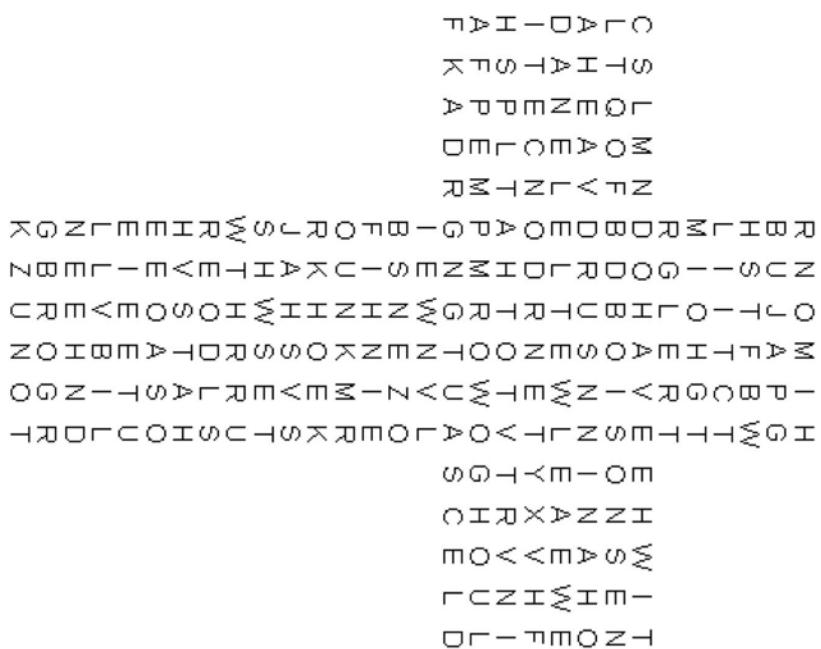
Amen

For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

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John 3:16 wordsearch

Can you find all the words of this verse in the cross shape?



For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life

Write true or false

The longest river is the Nile

The largest ocean is the Indian

Earth is approximately 4,600 million years old

The largest desert is the Sahara

Earth is bigger than Jupiter

Ice covers more than one tenth of our planet at any one time

Jesus brings light into the world. Draw some things which give us light

Answers



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Calendar for March

- F 2 1000 Women's World Day of Prayer Service at St. Mary's
- S 4 **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Praise@11
1730 Choral Evensong
- T 6 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 7 2000-2100 Lent Group in the Parish Room
- S 11 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Mothering Sunday
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1115 Choral Mattins
1700 All-in all age service
- M 12 1900 Meeting of Pro Musica
- T 13 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 14 2000-2100 Lent Group in the Parish Room
- T 15 1000 Holy Communion to The Old House
- S 18 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Passion Sunday**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Toddle Up!
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 19 0930-1400 Holy Communion to the housebound
- T 20 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 21 2000-2100 Lent Group in the Parish Room
- S 25 **PALM SUNDAY**
0800 Holy Communion with Blessing of Palms
0930 Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Palms
1115 Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
1730 Parish Choir Concert - Stainer's Crucifixion
- M 26 1400 Holy Communion to The Elders
1930 Holy Communion (Celtic)
- T 27 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 28 1200 Holy Communion
2000-2100 Lent Group in the Parish Room
- T 29 **MAUNDY THURSDAY**
2000 Liturgy of the Last Supper followed by silent watch of prayer until 2300
- F 30 **GOOD FRIDAY**
1100 Children's Stations of the Cross
1200-1330 Readings, hymns, music and reflections. Come and go as you please.
1400-1500 Sung Liturgy of Good Friday
- S 31 **HOLY SATURDAY**
2030 Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter
- S 1 April **EASTER DAY**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Praise@11, followed by an Easter egg hunt in the church grounds

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SPRING DINNER

Dinner & entertainment
Saturday, 21 April, St. Mary's Church Hall
6:30 for 7:00 p.m.
Tickets £10 on sale from mid March, after services
and from the Parish Office