



Services

Sunday 16th April

9.00am Holy Communion at Chacombe
10.30am Holy Communion at Middleton Cheney
10.30am Coffee and Praise at Greatworth
10.30am Holy Communion at Sulgrave

Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th April

10.00am Holy Communion at Middleton Cheney

Sunday 23rd April

9.00am Morning Praise at Chacombe
10.00am Mattins at Sulgrave
10.30am Holy Communion at Middleton Cheney
10.45am Sung Mass at Marston St Lawrence

N.B. There is no service at Thenford this Sunday – 16th. Nick will celebrate Communion at Middleton at 10.30 instead of the usual Morning Praise.

Peterborough Cathedral Summer Exhibition



This July, Peterborough Cathedral will host one of its most exciting exhibitions to date, UNOFFICIAL GALAXIES - one of the largest Star Wars fan collections in the world! The exhibit showcases iconic characters and vehicles as well as memorable scenes from the Star Wars fan world.

UNOFFICIAL GALAXIES is rarely seen in the UK, so bring the whole family and have a truly out of this world experience here at Peterborough Cathedral this summer...costumes encouraged!

Details of how to book tickets will follow shortly.

Wednesdays at All Saints

10 – 10.30am Said Communion service

10.30am – 12.30pm **Jolly Teapot!**

A chance to chat over coffee/tea, cakes and biscuits

First Steps – 2 – 3pm

A weekly service of songs, stories and activities for babies and toddlers with their parents or carers starts again after the Easter break.

The Children's Society

Many thanks to all those who returned their Children's Society House Boxes this year.

The money has now been counted and banked; we **have together raised the super amount of £310.78!**

The Children's Society is a national charity working to transform the hopes and happiness of young people facing abuse, exploitation and neglect. For the last 140 years they have supported children through their most serious life challenges and campaigned for the big social changes that will improve the lives of these children. They pledge to continue this work until we have a society where hope is alive in every child. Mary will shortly be handing back the empty boxes to the supporters ready for any loose change to go in them during the coming year. If anyone else would like to support this work with a box at home please would they let Mary Phipps know on 07522807146.

Operation Christmas Child - shoeboxes

Continuing our monthly theme for gifts to buy, make or collect in preparation for this Autumn's shoe box appeal, the idea for April is **smallish cuddly toys**. Even in the older age groups many children love a small cuddly toy of their own!

The collection box at the back of All Saints is filling up very nicely with goodies already placed in it since January. Our grateful thanks go to all who have contributed gifts and shoeboxes.

For those who worship at home

Sunday April 16th

Colossians.3. 1-4.

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”

Hymn. 219.

1. How lovely on the mountains
are the feet of him
who brings good news, good news,
announcing peace,
proclaiming news of happiness:
our God reigns, our God reigns.

2. You watchmen lift your voices
joyfully as one,
shout for your King, your King!
See eye to eye,
the Lord restoring Sion:
our God reigns, our God reigns.

3. Waste places of Jerusalem,
break forth with joy!
We are redeemed, redeemed.
The Lord has saved
and comforted his people:
our God reigns, our God reigns.

4. Ends of the earth,
see the salvation of our God!
Jesus is Lord, is Lord!
Before the nations
he has bared his holy arm:
our God reigns, our God reigns.

Thoughts:

The three readings for this Sunday move the Easter Story along.

In Acts 10. Vs.34 to 43. Peter relates, as a witness, the entire miracle of Jesus' death and resurrection, and of God's impartiality in sacrificing His Son for "people of every nation who fear Him and do what is right" (verse 35.)

John 20. Vs 1 to 18. Mary Magdalene goes to tell the Good News; "I have seen the Lord".

Then in Col.3. vs 1 to 4 (above) Having been "raised with Christ" we must move on.

Going forward as a "new being"; Paul lays down a set of Rules for Holy Living. We are encouraged to turn over a new leaf now that Christ has died as recompense for mankind's misbehaviour we need to concentrate on keeping a clean sheet, remembering always the sacrifice which enables us to start again.

We are encouraged not to slip back into our old ways. Paul doesn't specifically mention over-indulgence in Easter Eggs and chocolate, after the abstinence of Lent ; but perhaps I should think about developing a little more willpower ?

Prayer. The Collect for the First Sunday after Easter.

Almighty Father, who has given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.