

# ALL SAINTS MESSENGER



**SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020**

**10.30am Holy Communion**

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020**

**10.30am All Age Service**

A very warm welcome to All Saints. If you are a visitor, we do extend a particularly warm welcome to you. If you would like any help or more information about the church or the services, then please speak to one of the welcome team. Back Supports and large print copies of hymns are available, as well as an induction hearing loop – please ask for details of how to make use of this. Toilets & baby changing facilities are located at the back of the church under the bell tower. Children are very welcome at all our services and there are activities available for them. If you have young children, please ask for a 'pew bag' which contains some specific toys/activities for them or please make use of the children's area. Please check the notices for children's activities.

## REGULAR SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

### MONDAYS

**MORNING PRAYER 8.00am**

### WEDNESDAYS

**THE JOLLY TEAPOT 11am -1.00pm**

You'll see this sign hanging on the gate of All Saints every Wednesday morning, when the Church is open from 11.00am until 1.00pm. Come in for a chat and coffee and cake, (or tea). It's also a good opportunity for visitors to look round the Church and avail themselves of the printed guides, or for people to bring food items for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Some people may just want to sit quietly. All will be welcome. Donations for coffee go to All Saints Church Funds.

**HOLY COMMUNION 10.30am**

Midweek Holy Communion – Every Wednesday, in Church, preceding The Jolly Teapot. Join for coffee afterwards.

**FIRST STEPS 2pm -3pm (in term time)**

For pre-schooler's & their parents/grandparents/carers – Stories, Songs, Craft, Activities, Refreshments. All Welcome

**MOTHERS' UNION 2pm – 3pm**

Held monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Evelyn Hutchinson's, 3 Stanwell Lea. Everyone welcome.

### THURSDAYS

**LADIES QUEST DISCUSSION GROUP 8pm-9.30pm**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month during Term Time, further details from Jane Bullock on 711 531

**BELL RINGING 6.00pm – 7.00pm**

Church Bellingring practice every Thursday, please contact Richard Solesbury-Timms on 07456716031 for details.

### FRIDAYS

**EVENING PRAYER 5.30pm**

**PRAYER** - If you have an urgent prayer request you can activate the prayer chain at any time. Please call or text either Di (01295 713838 or 07711 237 389) or Mary (07842 162 795) *All requests treated with confidentiality.*



### **FUN WALK FOR CHRISTIAN AID SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY**

Christian Aid helps families the world to overcome poverty and

injustice, wherever the need is greatest. In support of this charity a gentle fun walk is being planned around Middleton Cheney village and local footpaths (including a couple of fields) on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, meet at All Saints Church at 2pm and return at around 3.45pm to enjoy yummy cakes and refreshments (non-walkers will be very welcome to join in this bit!). A suggested donation of £2.00 per walker / £6.00 per family is requested please. You may like to ask your friends and family to sponsor your walk – forms available soon. Look out for more details nearer to the day, on posters, Facebook and All Saints Website [www.allsaints-mc.church](http://www.allsaints-mc.church)



### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

#### **EASTER LAID BARE**

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020 at 6pm**

*An Easter Reflection through Songs and time for personal reflection – details over page*

#### **BISHOP'S BIBLE DAY**

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020**

9.30AM – 4.00PM

NORTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

*A day with the theme 'The Bible and Prayer' Booking forms & more info on diocese website*

<https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/news-and-events/events>

#### **CONFIRMATION**

17<sup>th</sup> May – *please see Nick or Carolyn if you are interested*

#### **CHRISTIAN AID FUN WALK**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

## Easter laid bare

An Easter reflection through 6 songs and personal time for reflection

1. No more of this – the story of Jesus struggle as he prepares to face the immediate future. A story of betrayal, desertion and violent desperation. A story of obedience, healing and love.
2. Judas, why? – asking the question, why do we reject Jesus in the face of the evidence of his love
3. The Marks – facing up to the reality and extent of God's love through his death and resurrection.
4. Resurrection song – reflecting on the amazing truth of Jesus death and resurrection for his immediate followers and his followers today.
5. Reconciliation – a look at the sacrifice Jesus made us for us and the restoration of humankind to God our Father and creator.
6. Disciple(ship) Faith – what it means to be a follower of Jesus today



*We have received these instructions in a letter from Bishop Donald. We hope that you will take the time to read them and understand the need for these measures, particularly at this time.*

### **GUIDANCE FOR WORSHIPPERS AT HOLY COMMUNION**

The Church of England encourages worshippers to receive Holy Communion faithfully and regularly, as taught by our Lord Jesus Christ. We use a shared plate and a shared cup. The Church takes hygiene very seriously and the chances of catching an infection by receiving Holy Communion are very low indeed. This guidance is issued to reassure, and to reduce the risk even further. Intinction, dipping the bread into the wine, is unhygienic, poses a risk to those who are gluten intolerant, and is not to be practised. Similarly, the practice of receiving the communion bread directly onto the tongue or into the mouth is unhygienic. The minister will place the bread into the worshipper's hand and the worshipper will take the cup and drink from it. Those who are worried about receiving infection from the communion cup, or who have a mouth or throat infection themselves, should simply refrain from taking the wine. Although we practice communion "in both kinds" (bread and wine), we receive all the benefits of Holy Communion even if we are only able to receive in one kind.

It is good practice for worshippers to use their right hand to shake hands during the Peace, then the left hand to receive the communion bread and pass it to the mouth. There is a small risk of catching an infection by hand to hand contact at the Peace. Any worshipper concerned by that is encouraged to carry a hygiene gel and use it after the Peace or before the Communion. For your reassurance, the ministers of communion bread will have used a hygiene gel before serving you.

***With warm greetings, and all good wishes, as we worship and share Christ together. Bishop Donald***

*Hand gel is provided in church and available to use when walking up to receive Communion. If you have any questions regarding this guidance please speak to Nick, Carolyn or one of the Churchwardens.*

Notices should be submitted to Heidi Fowler by e-mail to [h.fowler@wg-plc.com](mailto:h.fowler@wg-plc.com), or to 18 Astrop Road. Items for inclusion should be received by 5pm Wednesday to ensure inclusion for the coming Sunday.

**Contacts - Church Wardens: Bridget Robb 710192 & Mike Wilks 711516.**

**For Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms please contact; Rector - Rev. Nick Leggett: 07925 419068**

**Email: [leggett1uwe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:leggett1uwe@yahoo.co.uk) Associate Priest – Rev. Carolyn Oley: 01280701311 Email: [Carolyn.oley@btinternet.com](mailto:Carolyn.oley@btinternet.com)**

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