



## SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
9.45am	Parish Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
11.15am	Informal Service of The Word
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

*We welcome all to our services. Families may make use of children's corner at the back of the church.*

*Sunday School meets in Church House during the Parish Eucharist in term time.*

*Morning Prayer is said daily Monday to Friday at 8.30am and Evening Prayer daily Monday to Friday at 4pm, in the Crypt. (From 1<sup>st</sup> March Evening Prayer will be at 5.00pm).*

### THIS WEEK

<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am	Holy Communion - Minster
<b>Wednesday</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion – Victoria Hospital
	1.30pm	Meditation Group – Crypt
	7.45pm	Prayer Group – Lounge
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30 – 11am	Two By Two – Hall
	11.00am	Holy Communion – Streets Meadow
	12.00pm	Funeral of Betty Fanner - Minster
<b>Friday</b>	4.45pm	Informal Music Practice – Hall
	11.00am	Holy Communion – St Margaret's
	12.00pm	Lunch and Chat - Lounge
<b>Saturday</b>	9.15am	New Horizon Prayers – Crypt
	7.30pm	Dorset County Orchestra - Minster

### NEXT SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2019 SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
9.45am	Parish Eucharist
11.30am	Baptism of Isabelle Carr
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

# MINSTER MATTERS

**THE SICK:** *We pray for the sick and suffering: Gerry Baxter, Pauline Darby, Frances Price, Geoff Stokes, Miriam Ansell (Tricia Orchard's Granddaughter), Michael Harding, Jonathan Hiscock.*

*We remember the recently departed: Brenda Gibson, Joan Light, Betty Fanner.*

Revd Bill French is at Holt today.

There will be **no Sunday School** today 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**IMPORTANT** In line with Church of England requirements our Parish **Electoral Roll** is being completely renewed. If you wish to be included on the new Electoral Roll you will need to **complete an Application form**. Inclusion on the Electoral Roll allows you to attend the APCM and vote at the meeting and is an essential record of the membership of The Minster. Please pick up a form in church or from the Parish Office and return the completed form to the Office **as soon as possible**. Forms must be returned **no later than 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019**.

**From 1<sup>st</sup> March** The Minster will be open until 5.30pm each day. **Evening prayer** will be said Monday to Friday at **5.00pm**.

The **Parish Vision Day** is next **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at St Nicholas Church Hall, Corfe Mullen from 10.00am to 4.00pm. There will be a **Bring and Share Lunch**, please bring food to share.

**Greenbelt Group meeting Sunday 3 March** 4.30 - 6.15pm. Church House Lounge. **Campaigning on the environment - overcoming setbacks.** With Britain absorbed with Brexit and the US pulling out of the UN climate agreement, how can we best campaign for action on climate change and other environmental issues? Is it all doom and gloom, or are there reasons to be cheerful? Come and be inspired by a recording of Craig Bennett, CEO of Friends of the Earth. **All welcome.**

The **Annual Pancake Race** round the Minster will take place on **Shrove Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am**. Do we have some challengers for the title of Minster Pancake Champion for 2019? All ages are welcome to take part. There will also be wheelchair races. Competitors need to report to the North Porch entrance to register by 10.30am. Entry forms are in the Minster and Parish Office. Volunteers for stewarding will be much appreciated – names please to **Anthony Oliver on 01202 888703**.

**Advance Notice:** during the weekend **8th-10th March**, there will be **no access to Church House** after Lunch and Chat, as the building is booked out to the Conducting Course.

There will be a **Bring and Share Lunch** immediately after the informal service on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Next lunch is on **10<sup>th</sup> March in The Minster**. Please bring a plate of food to share. Everyone welcome.

**Minster Shop - help needed please.** Can you spare two hours once a fortnight to welcome or serve behind the counter, or go on the reserve list? **Please contact Donna** on 01202 884753 or email [shopmanager@wimborneminster.org.uk](mailto:shopmanager@wimborneminster.org.uk).

**Experience Easter 2019:** this year Experience Easter, our outreach to local schools, will take place from **Monday 25th – Friday 29th March**. New volunteers are very welcome. You can offer anything from one session to all fifteen. Speak to **De Ashton or Leonie Thurlow**, or any volunteer from previous years, for details. The work is not burdensome. **Training** will take place on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** 1.30pm in Church House Lounge and **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** 7.00pm in The Minster.

**Eggs needed:** if you are unable to take part in Experience Easter, please consider giving £1 each for an individual Easter Story Egg to be given to a visiting child. We hope to provide about 400 eggs over the week. Money can be given to the Parish Secretary, vergers or De and Leonie, and Gift Aid envelopes can be used. Thank you for your support of this important educational project.

**Churches in the Northern Villages:** A photographic exhibition of the beautiful churches has been erected in the display area at the back of the Minster. Gordon Edgar has taken pictures of them all and with the help of Richard and Leonie Thurlow a wonderful exhibition has been completed. Take a look, pick up a leaflet and learn all about their history and perhaps visit as a pilgrim going from church to church. **Christine Oliver**.

**Noticeboard.** There is now a board at the back of church entitled “**The Life of The Minster**”, and another for future events. Please feel free to put up a small notice about your group if it is not already included. **Carol Jarvis and Anne King**.

**APCM Reports.** Committee Chairs and Organisation Leaders are invited to prepare short reports for publicising prior to the APCM in April. Further details will be available shortly.

## **WIMBORNE AND AROUND THE AREA**

**Food Bank:** We have launched our **Reverse Lent Initiative**, a different way to help the Food Bank. Buy a bag with the new logo on and fill it each day with an item of need. The bags will be £5.50 (a proportion of this amount is a donation) and ideas for each day will be inside. If you would like to buy a bag, I will be at coffee after the 9.45am service on Sunday 24th February, prior to the beginning of Lent. Thank you for your continuing support. **Sue Slydel**.

This week we need long life fruit juice, squash, tinned potatoes, shampoo and conditioner. **Thank you everyone.**

**Wimborne in Bloom Wine and Wisdom Quiz.** Attention all Quizzers. This year's Wimborne in Bloom Quiz will be taking place at the Allendale Centre on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** at 7.30pm. Entry is £7 per person, to include wine and light refreshments. If interested, please contact **Mike Dodds on 01202 883855** as soon as possible.

**The Rhythm of Life.** 7pm - Saturday 9 March. An evening at **St John's Church, Wimborne** of readings, contemporary music and art. Do come along.

**Lent Lunches** will be held at **Wimborne Methodist Church** every **Tuesday 12.30pm – 1.15pm** from **March 12<sup>th</sup> to April 9<sup>th</sup>**. The talk for the day will be at about 12.45pm. The Minster will be hosting the lunch on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Admission free, donations to **Christian Aid** are welcomed.

**Matters of the Heart:** a conference for women will be held at St John's Church, Leigh Road, Wimborne on **Saturday 16th March**, 10.00am–4.00pm. The speaker, on the theme of Psalms, will be Christine Perkin and there will be a series of seminars, including one led by members of MEG. Admission (with lunch) £10; booking essential; office@stjohnswimborne.org.uk, 01202 842255.

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