



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
PASSION SUNDAY
18th March 2018**

- 8.00am Holy Communion**
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist**
- 11.15am Informal Service**
- 3.45pm St. Matthew Passion workshop**
- 6.30pm Devotional performance**

We welcome everyone at our services. Families, please make use of children's corner at the back of the church. Sunday School meets in Church House during the Eucharist in term time. Morning Prayer is said Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8.30am (entry by St. George's door).

Evening Prayer is said in the Crypt on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 5.00pm.

THIS WEEK

Monday	9.30am	Holy Communion – St. Joseph
	5.00pm	Events Committee meets - Lounge
Tuesday	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Briefing Meeting for Volunteers - Hall
	7.00pm	Lenten Address - Minster
Wednesday	1.30pm	Meditation Group – Crypt
	7.45pm	Prayer Group - Lounge
Thursday	9.30 – 11am	Two by Two – Hall
	11.00am	Holy Communion – Streets Meadow
Friday	11.00am	Holy Communion – St. Margaret's
	12-1.30pm	Lunch and Chat – Lounge
	4.30pm	Palm Sunday Passion rehearsal
Saturday	9.15am	New Horizons Prayers
	2.00pm	Wimborne Choral rehearsal
	7.30pm	Wimborne Choral Concert

**NEXT SUNDAY 25th MARCH 2018
PALM SUNDAY**

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.20am	Gather at Allendale Centre for Procession
9.45am	Parish Eucharist with Reading of The Passion
11.30am	Baptism of George Stuart
6.30pm	Music from Handel's Brockes Passion

MINSTER MATTERS

THE SICK: We pray for those known to us who are sick and suffering: Miriam Ansell, Edward, Eleanor Dunningham, Michael Harding, Margaret Tambling, Tony Thomas, Brian Boniface, Jackie Leevers, Bethany Woodward.

Suzie is at Witchampton this morning.

Delivery of Minster Easter Cards – help urgently needed!

The cards, with details of all Easter services are to be delivered to every home in Wimborne, and are in church **today**. We need urgent help to deliver them before next Sunday, Palm Sunday. Please take a pack and visit a part of Wimborne you've not seen before, or deliver to your neighbours.... or both! Thank you.

God's Acre card sale: cards with photographs of the wildlife garden will be on sale during coffee **today**. Please help the team raise funds to buy bird, bee and butterfly-friendly plants for God's Acre. **Margaret Turner.**

Today there will be a devotional performance of Bach's St. Matthew Passion in place of Evensong. If you wish to sing, there are still places available and you can sign up this afternoon at 3.15pm. For those wishing to attend at 6.30pm as members of the congregation, there is no charge.

Greenbelt Group Meeting – this afternoon - 4.15 - 6.15pm in Church

House Lounge: led by Rob Pearce, we'll listen to parts of a Greenbelt panel discussion, '**All are welcome – terms & conditions apply**'. What do we mean when we say that all are welcome? Do terms and conditions apply? Where did Jesus stand on inclusion? This session may appeal to all those who are church welcomers and all who devise worship which is as inclusive as possible. All are welcome!

Our thanks to all those who supported the two-day Rector interview process both practically and prayerfully – those who welcomed, chauffeured, catered, cleared up and those who maintained a vigil of prayer. It is anticipated that an announcement will be made on Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday Gospel: as usual, we shall be reading a dramatized form of the **Passion Gospel on Palm Sunday, 25th March**, and we need a good number of voices. To take part, please add your name to the list on the Vergers' desk, and say whether you can come to the read-through at **4.30pm on Friday 23rd March**.

For **one Sunday only**, to belatedly mark **Fair Trade Fortnight**, we are reviving the **Fair Trade** stall at coffee after the 9.45am service. Please be sure to have a look at what is on offer. **Bruce Jensen**

Passiontide – musical reflections: Palm Sunday, 25th March at 6.30pm: the Passion Narrative with music from Handel Brocke's Passion, performed by Wimborne Minster Choir and Orchestra. **Monday 26th March at 8.00pm:** Reubke *Sonata on the 94th Psalm*. A meditation for Holy Week, played by Sean Tucker. **Wednesday 28th March at 8.00pm:** Tallis *Lamentations of Jeremiah*. The men of

the Minster Choir will sing these songs of exile, accompanied by reflections on the current refugee crisis.

Please note that there will not be a service of Holy Communion at St. Margaret's Chapel on Good Friday.

... and there will be no Lunch and Chat in Church House on Good Friday!

Easter flowers will be arranged on Saturday 31st March from 10.00am.

Flowers and foliage would be appreciated that morning before 10.00am. Anyone who would like to help – please just come along – no experience necessary. If you have a query, please ring **Christine Oliver** on **01202 888703**.

*Also on March 31st – Easter Egg Hunts in the Villages!
10am Witchampton Church – 2pm Hinton Martell Church!*

Please bring a flower with you on Easter Sunday morning to put in the flower cross, which will be in the porch as you come into church, to help transform it into a very beautiful symbol of Easter.

Experience Easter:- a massive thank-you to those who assisted in taking groups of children from local schools around the six stations of the Easter story, those who helped fund Easter story eggs, those who gave prayer support to this much-appreciated outreach with our partner churches, St. John's and St. Michael's, and those who tolerated the inconveniences which the scheme inevitably entails!

We have had many appreciative comments. **De Ashton** and **Leonie Thurlow**.

Cream teas for Yambio: we shall be providing Cream Teas at Sturminster Marshall again this year on **21st and 22nd April** and I would be so grateful for some help – baking scones and cakes, serving, taking money, washing up, etc. if you are able to help even in the smallest way, please contact **Sheila** sheilasopet47@gmail.com or **01202 940285**. Thank you.

Minster Green Fair: if anyone has any 9cm seedling pots to spare, could they leave them at the vergers' desk for the attention of **Pam Adams**? Pam also urges everyone to plant extra items in preparation for the Minster Green Fair Plant Stall.

Did you take a picture of the Minster in the snow? If so, may we see it? We're looking for this year's Christmas card! Have a word with Donna.

WIMBORNE AND AROUND THE AREA

Food Bank: we are **low on** sugar, fruit juice, toilet rolls, coffee, rice pudding, tinned and powdered custard. We do not currently need any breakfast cereal. We **urgently need strong** plastic bags with **reinforced handles**. Thanks as always.

Poole Passion Play – 'Through the eyes of a child' - this week – Tuesday March 20th to Saturday March 24th- 7pm starts at Parkstone URC, Ashley Road and moves to St. Peter's, Parkstone. Some of Emmaus housegroup are going on Friday 23rd. Please telephone **Carol Jarvis** on **01202 889202** if transport is needed.

St. Nicholas Church Corfe Mullen is looking for a centre co-ordinator and a PA to the Rector. Please contact recruit@parishofcorfemullen.church or The Revd Jane Burgess on 01202 699319.

Pramacare also has vacancies in a variety of posts locally. More information from reception@pramacare.co.uk

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