

COMING UP...

Sunday 22nd March at 10.50am in Church **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

Nomination forms for Churchwarden, deputy and PCC members etc. are on the board in church porch.

ELECTORAL ROLL – please check the newly revised Roll that is displayed on the notice board at the back of church and outside the vestry.

Sue Colborne is standing down as Honorary Secretary to the PCC at this year's APCM. If you feel that you would be able to take on this role or would like to know more, please speak to either Sue or Penny.

Sunday 29th March – Palm Sunday

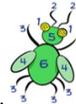
Volunteers required for the dramatized reading of the Palm Sunday Gospel. List at the back of church, please sign up if you are willing to read.

Good Friday and Easter Saturday readings are also ready for you to sign up for.

Saturday April 18th Beetle Drive

6pm to 9pm in the large hall.

Tickets Adults £5 and Children £2 on sale in the office or from Anne-Marie and Nigel.



Hearing loop available in church.

Turn your hearing aid to the T switch

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THIS WEEK

Sunday 15 March – Mothering Sunday

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

10am Holy Communion and Zoom.

Prayer Ministry after this service

12 Noon Baptism of Cassandra Grinter

Monday 16 March

Please pray for time to pause in nature

Bright Road and Bushell Road

7pm Lent Course in the small hall

7.30 pm Bell Ringers practice

Tuesday 17 March

Please pray for our clergy and our lay leaders

Cherita Court and Chorley Close

2-4pm Lent Course in the Choir Vestry

Wednesday 18 March

Please pray for all who attend our fellowship group

Christopher Crescent and Cobbs Lane

10am Holy Communion in the Choir vestry

2pm Fellowship Group in the small hall

Thursday 19 March

Please pray for our church volunteers

Collwood Close and Connell Road

12 Noon Lunch Club in the small hall

Friday 20 March

Please pray for additional contributions to the food

bank, Curlieu Road and Daisy Close

Saturday 21 March

9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988pwd=VFpUVlpxU0VwUzFjSWp3WHZNTGpWdz09>

Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213

Please pray for all St George's services and the

APCM, Dale Close and Dale Valley Road

Sunday 22 March Lent 5

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

10am All together Morning Worship and Zoom

APCM at 10.50am in Church



THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE ST GEORGE Mothering Sunday 15th March

Dear Friends,

Today it's not Mother's Day we're celebrating but Mothering Sunday, which is a wonderful time of thanksgiving for Mums past and present and those who are not mothers.

We can't possibly keep Mothering Sunday without thinking about the most important Mother - Mary, the mother of God. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beneath his cross he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!"

Therefore, the focus of Mothering Sunday should be the thanksgiving of parenting for both male and female, with those who have that mothering instinct, and on the part that each of us can play in the parenting our own children, our grandchildren, stepchildren, Godchildren and the children of this congregation and this community.

The reading from Colossians tells us that 'as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience and put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity'.

Blessings, Pam

12 Noon Baptism

We welcome the family and friends of

Cassandra Emily Grinter

who is to be baptised today

Next Sunday – 22nd March

Lent 5

Readings: Romans 8. 6-11

John 11. 1-45

APCM in Church starting at 10.50am

Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen**

Readings

Colossians 3.12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

John 19.25-27

And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Post Communion

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for

Worldwide: Anglican Church of Kenya.



Diocese: Charminster, Stinsford and the Chalk Stream villages, Dorchester Deanery

Local: Bailey Crescent and Brampton Road

Immediate Prayer: Jacob Mason, Alison, Frances, Judith, Nancy, Val and Willow.

Continuous Prayer: Carol Burridge, Tony Burse, Bethany Cook, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Richard and Anita Glynn, Hilary Henson, Jim L, Beverley Mitchell, Chris Moody, Sue Rowledge, Carrie Spencer, Ginny Williams, Chris, Dorothy, Julie, Kezia

Also, we remember those who have died recently **RIP Marilyn Purches, Jean Frake, Joan Morton, Joan Copp** and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: **Beryl Leyshon**



A big thank you for all your donations for flowers to decorate the church for Jean Frake's funeral.

St George's Tower Cross

The new tower cross can now be floodlit for memorable occasions. Request cards are available in the office. The cost remains at £10.

The Tower Cross lit

<i>12 March In memory of Richard Jeffery's Anniversary</i>	<i>15 March In memory of Stuart Hough's Birthday</i>
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Easter Lily Cards



Cards are now available at the back of the church, together with a box for donations towards Easter Lilies for Church.



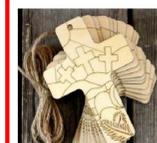


FRIDAY 3rd April 2026 10-11.30am



**GOOD FRIDAY
IN THE
CHURCH HALL
DARBYS LANE
OAKDALE**

**Come and join us for:
Arts, crafts, cooking,
games, stories, songs
and lots of fun.**




Friday 3rd April 2025 10-11.30am

All ages welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Tea, coffee and Hot Cross Buns provided.

Booking Essential : message Sue
stqfamilies@gmail.com
or contact the Church Office
01202 660612 to book a place.