



## **Notices for 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

### **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Mothering Sunday**

#### **FORTHCOMING SERVICES**

##### **This Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> March:**

- 10:30am Holy Communion at St Helen's,  
including Junior Choir,  
livestreamed to the Flagstaff  
Family of Churches Facebook  
page.
- 3:30pm Messy Church in St Helen's  
Heritage Centre and Church

##### **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March:**

- 7:30pm Team Talk in Holy Trinity  
Church Hall.

##### **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March:**

- 10.30am No service this Wednesday

##### **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April:**

- 9:30 am Prayer in Hastings Chapel

##### **Next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April:**

- 8:30am Holy Communion at Staunton  
Harold
- 10:30am All Age service at St Helen's
- 6:00pm Holy Communion at Isley  
Walton
- 6:00pm Choral Evensong at St Helen's,  
live-streamed to the Flagstaff  
Family of Churches Facebook  
page

##### **Readings for 20.3.22:**

- Colossians 3:12-17  
Luke 2 :33-35

##### **Collect for Mothering Sunday:**

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.

##### **SAVE THE DATES:**

The Entertainment and Activity Team have been busy planning events for this coming year. Here are some upcoming dates for your diary and requests for help. If you are able to help with either event, please contact a member of the team: Jill Chapman, Liz Smith, Alison Cross, Caroline Essex or Helen Smith.

##### **Sat 14<sup>th</sup> May 7.30-9.15pm**

Theatre production "Remembrance" in St Helen's church as part of Ashby Arts Festival. Help needed with serving interval refreshments and clearing up afterwards.

##### **Mon 30<sup>th</sup> May 9am-12pm**

Self-guided children's nature trails in church and churchyard, plant sale, refreshments and ice-creams! We need help manning the event and donations of plants will be gratefully received so please start potting on. Please contact Alison Cross on 07766 232414 or email [across3355@gmail.com](mailto:across3355@gmail.com) if you are able to donate plants.

## YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!



Our APCM [Annual Parochial Church Meeting] will be held this year on Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>. We will be looking to elect new members on to our PCC. **Could this be you?** It would be lovely to have some new faces. We meet on 10 occasions in the year and are responsible for the church's governance, including working and praying together to recognise and implement God's direction for us.

We will also be seeking to appoint a new secretary and treasurer to the PCC. Please talk to Judith, Shân, Steph or any member of PCC if you would like to know more.

### ELECTORAL ROLL 2022

Eileen Coombs maintains our Electoral Roll and updates it annually in advance of the APCM. If you have been worshipping with us for the past 6 months or more, in person or on-line, you are warmly invited to sign up on the Electoral Roll. This entitles you to vote at our APCM and to stand for PCC, as well as indicating your involvement in the life of St Helen's.

For more details or if you have any queries, please contact Eileen on 07711286486 or email her on [eileencoombs@aol.com](mailto:eileencoombs@aol.com).

## Christian Aid Week 2022:

**May 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**

Once again at St Helen's we are supporting Christian Aid and hope that people will be as generous as they have been in previous years. As before there will be two ways of donating. Firstly, we will be setting up an e-envelope for people to donate online and emailing the link to everyone on St Helen's mailing list. This has been very successful in previous years and as a church, we have raised considerable amounts.

We will also be organising the usual house to house collections as well and we are hoping that our collectors from previous years will be willing to help out again this year. However, it would be good if we had some new collectors especially from the new houses around Ashby. The task has become much easier in recent years because although it still involves delivering envelopes to each house in your 'patch', we now ask people who wish to donate to return the sealed envelope containing their donation to a specified point –usually your letterbox or the parish office! In this way we do not have to disturb those who do not wish to donate and those who do, can do so at their own convenience.

If you are able to help with this year's collection please contact Shân Dyer on 07368615406 or at [shandashby@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:shandashby@hotmail.co.uk).

### GIVING:

You can make donations to the work of St Helen's via our website

<https://www.sthelensashby.net/Groups/327469/Giving.aspx>

**QUIET MORNING AT ST HELEN'S  
HERITAGE CENTRE FOR THE  
FLAGSTAFF FAMILY.**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022.**

The theme we shall be looking at is **“Fire of the North and the Celtic Saints”** focussing mainly, but not exclusively, on St. Cuthbert of Holy Island and St. Columba of Iona.

The times will be firmed up later but we are working provisionally on beginning with breakfast together at 8.30am and finishing the Quiet Morning at around 12.30 and home in time for lunch.

So far we have only 3 booked in and numbers will be limited to 12. More details will be available nearer the time but if you are interested in putting your name down then the booking list is open and we do need at least 6 participants to make the morning viable.

Please contact me via email [margaret@ajacques.plus.com](mailto:margaret@ajacques.plus.com). There is no charge except that voluntary contributions will be welcome towards breakfast and tea and coffee.

Revd. Margaret and Allan.

**FOR PRAYER:**

Please continue to pray for the family and friends of David Wileman and Joy Brown who died recently.

Please pray for those known to you who are ill, including Jenny Hedges, Peggy Adams and Teresa Shorthouse.

In love, we remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, praying for their families & friends:

Richard George Lander  
Thomas Michael Yates  
Elfyn Williams  
John Derrick Fair Grundy  
Mary Thompson Gibson  
John Reid Gibson  
Elizabeth Katherine Williscroft  
Mary Marlow  
Ernest Robert Eggington  
Colin John Fraser Scott  
Dennis King  
Thomas Arthur Sidney Forster  
Frederick Henry Chick  
John Lindon Hamlet (Priest)  
Mary Georgina Harris  
Hilda Gilbert

**PRAYER FOR UKRAINE:**

God of peace and justice,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus,  
the Prince of Peace. Amen

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