



Notices for 3rd April 2022

5th Sunday of Lent

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

This Sunday, 3rd 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.

Tuesday 5th April

- 7:30 pm Team Talk at St Matthew's, Worthington

Wednesday 6th April

- 10.30am Holy Communion at St Helen's

Saturday 9th April

- 9:30 am Morning Prayer in the Hastings Chapel

Next Sunday 10th April – Palm Sunday

- 10:00am Meet at St Helen's Rectory for procession to Church.
- 10:30am Morning Worship at St Helen's.
- 10:30 am Holy Communion at St Mary's, Coleorton

Collect for 5th Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your
Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on
the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory:
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.

Readings for Evensong 3.4.22:

- 2 Chronicles 35 vs 1-6, 10-16
- Luke 22 vs 1-13

PALM SUNDAY

Come and join:

Jack the donkey, who will be leading our procession to celebrate Palm Sunday, as we remember that Jesus was welcomed to Jerusalem by crowds waving palms with joyful shouts.

10.00am Meet at St Helen's Rectory (4 Upper Packington Road) then we will walk along Mount walk to the churchyard. The procession will finish around 10.30, when there will be a service inside church.

Join all, or join at any point. Bring scarves, branches or palms [if you have any!] to wave.

All welcome! Pushchairs, wheelchairs, ALL – just come, and bring your friends and family!!!

OTHER SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday 11th April, 8pm, Compline at Isley Walton

Tuesday 12th April, 8pm, Compline at St Mary's, Coleorton

Wednesday 13th April, 8pm, Compline at Staunton Harold

Maundy Thursday, 14th April, 7:30pm, Holy Communion at St Helen's.

Good Friday, 15th April, 2-3pm "The Last Hour" at Breedon; 7:30pm "At the Cross" a service of reflection at St Helen's.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!



Our APCM [Annual Parochial Church Meeting] will be held this year on Tuesday May 17th. 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.

LIFTING COVID RESTRICTIONS IN CHURCH

Our choir stalls are now back in their usual position. Services will continue, for the most part, to be led from the front of the nave. However, there is no longer room there for a Communion Table, which has been moved to just in front of the chancel steps and, therefore, some distance from where the live-stream is set up. Please let the Wardens know how this impacts on those following the live-stream.

We have also agreed to re-introduce processing in and out of church, which will begin on Easter Sunday.

Again, all this will be kept under review by PCC.

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

Thursday 23rd 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. There is no charge except that voluntary contributions will be welcome towards breakfast and tea and coffee.

Revd. Margaret and Allan.

Christian Aid Week 2022:**May 15th – 21st**

If you are able to help with this year's collection please contact Shân Dyer on 07368615406 or at

shandashby@hotmail.co.uk .

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 14th 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 30th 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 if you are able to donate plants.

GIVING:

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

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

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:

Gladys May Watson
Doris Jeanette Tarleton
Daisy Sarah Berrisford Yates
William Evans
Constance Gladys Flint
Roy Smith

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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