

# EASTER

## HOLY WEEK

### DAILY PRAYERS

MONDAY TO GOOD FRIDAY

14th to 18th APRIL

PRAYERS AND A CUPPA

7:30am AND 4:30pm

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

17th APRIL

FAMILY HOLY COMMUNION ~ 7:30pm

### GOOD FRIDAY 18th APRIL

'SERVICE AROUND THE CROSS OF JESUS' 11am

MARGARET ROAD METHODIST ~ 4pm

(No afternoon prayers at St Andrew's)

ST JUDE'S CHURCH, CHUCKERY ~ 7:30pm

'MEDITATION FOR GOOD FRIDAY'

# EASTER SUNDAY

20th APRIL

HOLY COMMUNION 10am and 6pm

FAMILY PRAISE 11:30am

We need volunteers to post Easter invitations around the estate. If you can help, see Bishop Paul.



**WELL DONE. EMILY!**  
Emily was presented with a special award for Outstanding Achievement at school last week. Well done!



**ANDY** Last Wednesday, Andy, from Thomas Ely's helped out at our Luncheon Club and enjoyed his roast beef dinner. He was a good washer upper to!



tion equipment for all the choruses and hymns, which are generally aimed at the younger person (but not all). We have a variety of musical instruments including Nigel on his Drum Box, Bishop Paul and Matthew on guitars, Brian on the organ and every member present can grab something to shake, rattle and roll, if they want. Last week we had Ezra with us from the USA. He joined in very well with the fun in our competition to see who could wrap up Lazarus the quickest. He was up against Alex and Nigel. The two volunteers (?) were Simran and Charlie. Ezra won! But the real fun was when they were released from their grave clothes (toilet paper) just as Jesus said to the crowds in Bethany—"Take off the grave clothes and let him go". (By the way, Margaret told Bishop Paul that these were the last two rolls of toilet paper, so can you please use both sides until we get some more.) Family Praise has a proven successful format. Bishop Paul explains the story of the day and Nigel puts it into perspective explaining what it means for our every day Christian lives. We sing the grace and always look forward to a cuppa and a biscuit at the end of the service. If you'd like to try something different, try Family Praise. We love it!



## CHURCH FOCUS— FAMILY PRAISE



You don't need a family to come to our weekly Family Praise service at 11:30am on Sundays. The Church is your family and you would be made very welcome. The format of the service is rather different to the other services. We use the projec-



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### SUNDAY SERVICES

10am ~ Morning Service

11:30am ~ Family Praise

6pm ~ Evening Prayer

Holy Communion 1st am & 3rd pm Services

### Mid-week activities:

- **MONDAYS** 10am to 1pm Coffee & Chat
- **TUESDAYS** 9:30am BWS Ladies Group
- 10am to 1pm Bishop in Denom. Office
- 7:00pm Bible Study
- **WEDNESDAYS** 7:30am Prayer Group
- 12:30pm Luncheon Club
- 2:00pm Friendship Club
- 7:00pm Youth Club
- **THURSDAYS** 11:00am Holy Communion
- 10am to 1pm Bishop in Denom. Office
- **SATURDAYS** 10:00am Saturday Workshop

### NEXT CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

This will be held on Thursday 29th May at 7pm.

### LESSONS LOG

13th April—Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 or 31:9-16

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11;

Matthew 21:1-11 or 26:14-27,66 or 27:11-54

am P-Colin, L-Bishop, pm Bishop

Maundy Thurs. L-Bishop, P-Mark; Good Friday L-Bishop

20th April—Matthew 28:1-10 or Mark 16:1-8 or

Luke 24:1-12; Romans 6:3-11

am and pm L-Readers, P-Bishop

### NEW CONFIRMATION CLASSES

These will begin after Easter, so if you are interested, please speak to Bishop Paul as soon as possible.

## WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATE

- Lord, we pray for **Pamela, Chrissie**, and great grandson **Finley**.
- Lord, we put the following friends and congregation into your hands: **Mary, Julie, Jean, Hilary, Pam** and **Elizabeth**.
- We bring **Betty & Colin** before you, Lord. Keep her safe.
- Lord, thank you **Arline** is getting better. Lord, may she continue to gain strength in you.
- Please pray for **Iris** and **Alan**. Pray the family will cope with Alan's deteriorating health.
- Pray for **Pat** with the loss of her friend **Dot** and **Margaret** who we haven't seen for some time now.
- Thank you, Lord, **Dan's Nan, Dot**, is much better. May it continue.
- Pray for **Audrey** who finds her mobility an increasing problem.
- Lord, we pray for **Carole** who has had a brain operation. She seems to be getting a little better, but still gets a little confused.
- Continue to put **Mike** in your prayers. Pray his diverticulitis is better controlled.
- Lord, we pray for **Sylvia**. God willing she moved onto Winehala Court last Friday. Pray she and the cat, (Marmalade) settle in soon.
- Pray for **Doris** who continues to suffer with her sciatica. But thank you, Lord, it is much better than it was and mostly under control.
- Remember too **Doris** (who sits with Sheila) who has had a spell in hospital. Pray that she will be feeling much better soon.
- Pray for morning service **Ron**, who has had a slight stroke and is still unable to come to church. Pray he soon gets better.
- Thank you, Lord, for **Nigel** and Readers **Colin, Paul** and **Mark** who look after all the services, while Bishop Paul visits other churches. Pray for them as they continue to work on their Deacons papers.
- Pray for **Jean's** husband, **Al** who, although looking really well, is quite poorly. Lord, help Jean to cope.
- Give thanks that **Doreen** is getting better. Pray also for **Jimmy's** family in the Ukraine with the present difficulties this country is facing. Pray his family is kept safe.
- Pray for **Steph, Lucy's** carer, as she is now nearly half way through her treatment of Chemotherapy. Her sessions are every three weeks. How lovely to see her and **Lucy and mom and dad Peter and Belle** at our Luncheon Club again last Wednesday.
- Lord, we pray for **Margaret Phipps** who is very poorly.
- Remember **Mary & Les** in your prayers as they have both been unwell recently and unable to attend church.
- Pray for wife Janet and the family of **Victor George Hopkins**—known as **'Graham'**. He was 68 years old and his funeral took place at Bushbury Crem last Monday.
- Pray for morning service, **Mary** as we hope had a cataract operation a week last Thursday following a few cancelled appointments.

### THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE - W.M.T.C.

*Congratulations to Colin, John, Chris, Mike and the fantastic cast of Willenhall Musical Theatre Company, who put on a wonderful show at Sedgley's Dormston Mill Theatre last week. Colin looked really exhausted after Friday night's performance. He said to get from one side of the stage to the other, you had to go down some stairs, under the stage and up again. He said he always found himself on the wrong side ready for his next entrance. This is Colin's last show as an acting member after 50 years service. The young cast certainly did a sterling performance with so much energy and great choreography. Did you know the two Chinese chaps actually had to learn Mandarin for their parts? What an enjoyable evening W.M.T.C.*



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touched by contact with the Saviour of the world. Are you ready to lay everything that binds you at the foot of the cross this Easter? All the services are displayed over the page.

### SHOREHAM

Matthew and Emily enjoyed their visit to Shoreham's harbour last week but Michael's cake had the lovely message saying—'Congratulations Michael on you Ordination It's only taken 50 years' Nice!



### PALM SUNDAY

What a lovely picture summing up the joy surrounding Jesus on his triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The Pharisees told Jesus to rebuke the crowd, but Jesus said, 'I tell you, if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.' It is amazing that in just a few short days these same shouts of 'Hosanna' turned into cries of 'Crucify Him!' Do join us this most holy of Holy Weeks and share in this amazing journey to the cross. During the daily prayers, Bishop Paul will focus on various individuals involved in the Easter story and how their lives were



## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH BENTLEY

## WEEKLY NEWS & PRAYER SHEET

## THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER PALM SUNDAY



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### COFFEE & CHAT

The Coffee & Chat Shop will be open for business as usual tomorrow and every Monday.

Remember to come and enjoy a chat, a specialised coffee, soup, toast and marmalade or just the regular popular Bishop's Brew. It's free and a great way to get to know each other better and make new friends.

Come on your own or bring a friend or two. You will, as always, be made very welcome. Your hosts: Colin, Janet and Sue.

