

WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR ST MARY'S APSLEY END

| | Today Sun 1 March | Next week Sun 8 March | Diary for this week (from 2 March) |
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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | No service | MONDAY 10.00am Working Party 19.00pm Lent group at St B's 8.00pm Bell ringers practice |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist | Sung Eucharist | TUESDAY 9.30am Buzzy Bees WEDNESDAY 7.00pm Games Group 7.30pm WI meeting |
| Presiding | Richard Howlett | Guy Buckler | THURSDAY 09.00am Morning Prayer 09.30am Holy Communion 10.15am Lent group 7.00pm AA meeting 8.00pm Lent Group at 28 Manorville Road |
| Warden | Harry G-Brown | Sylvia Low | FRIDAY 10.00am Working Party 11.00am World Day of Prayer service at St B's |
| Sidesperson | Katharine Harper | Woods family | SATURDAY 10.00am Community Café 10.00am Lent group |
| Welcomer | Colin Rivett | Woods family | |
| Reading | Sue Jakeman | Adwoa Agyeiwaa | |
| Intercessions | Katherine Howlett | Fiona Shirley | |
| Offertory | Shirley family | Ann Wiggins & Ify Nkenke | |
| Chalice | Rosemary Bladon | Katharine Harper | |
| 2 nd Counter | Jim Aylott | Rosemary Bladon | |
| Coffee | Janet Wright & Joy West | Janet Wright & Lucie Kubinova | |
| Sunday School | Peter & Clare | Laura & Hazel | |
| Organist | Laura Cahillane | Liam Lester | |
| Richard is at: | St Mary's | St Benedict's | |
| 5.00pm | No service | Evening Prayer | |

Please pray for
Eileen Kemp,
Clare Tofield-Wallington

St Mary's Collect for Growth

Dear Lord, please help us grow St Mary's Church. As we grow in love of you, draw new people week by week into this church family. May we show your love to all, within and beyond our walls. **In Jesus' name. Amen**

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Notices



To include a notice, event or people for prayer in this bulletin email stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com or contact one of the churchwardens or the vicar (deadline 12.00 noon each Tuesday for the following Sunday please).

Gluten-free wafers are available - just ask a Warden or Sidesperson.

Communion Infection Control Measures
Temporarily, during the concerns about Covid-19 virus, we have been advised by the diocese **to stop** allowing intinction (dipping of bread into the wine) **and to stop** providing alcohol-free wine. Taking communion as bread only is considered to be the entire sacrament.

The spring Benefice Newsletter is now available on the website (under the 'resources' tab) and in church. Thanks once again to the Christsps.

There are always admin jobs to be done in our church as well as the myriad of practical jobs. At the moment it is very important that we talk about and **pray for a successor to our current Treasurera VITAL role.** Do you know of anyone with the necessary skills? Any new person could shadow our existing Treasurer initially to learn the ropes from a very experienced and skilled role model.

Could leaders of all groups etc please note that their **reports for our Annual Report** will be needed before 1 April, **the sooner the better!** Please send to Norma the Benefice Administrator (see previous page). Janet will be chivvying!

Viv and Susan thank all who support the **welcome boxes for the Oxygen Project (Nascent House)**. There's been high demand since Christmas including 3 new residents starting on Monday. Please see a lovely thank you at the back of church from the parents of Paul who was with us recently and has now returned to his home near Bedford. Do speak with Susan Rivett for further details.

The result of your voting for the outside charity that we will be supporting this year is the **Mind Charity**.

It was so sad to hear of the **sudden death two weeks ago of Paul Hopper**, a talented organist who had played for us several times recently. We have sent a message of condolence to his family. Thank you so much to Melanie for standing in last week at short notice and Laura today.

Lent Groups. The start of the Saturday morning group has been delayed to 7 March due to a date clash.

Books are still available to go with the course at a price of £5.50 each. You can pay by cash or on the SumUp machine.

On 20 Feb **Daisy had her hair cut off for the Princess Cancer Charity for children** who will use it to make wigs for sick children. She has made over £700 in sponsorship which is fantastic.....well done Daisy! Further sponsorship still possible!

Hopefully you have noticed the **new ceiling in the refectory?** Thanks go to everyone who helped with moving stuff out & back in and to the fabric committee for organising. Further work following soon.....

Further Dates for your diary:

- March No Solo Lunch Plus
- 21 Mar Lent Lunch for all 12:45
- 22 Mar Mothering Sunday
- 28 Mar Fundraising meeting 10am
- 30 Mar Prayers for Health/Healing 7.30pm
- 12 Apr Easter Day
- 25 Apr St Marys Quiz night at Nash Mills CofE School 7pm.
- 26 Apr APCM (Annual Parish Church Meeting) 11:30am
- 2 May Pray Hemel at St Mary's
- 29 May Night of Prayer then breakfast
- 4 Jul Strawberries and Cream Tea 3pm
- 5 Jul Visit by Bishop Michael

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