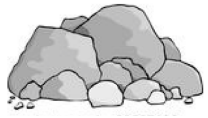


Welcome  **ST. PETER'S BENGEWORTH**  **EVESHAM**



Worshipping Jesus in a Growing Community - www.bengeworthchurch.co.uk



Pewsheet for Sunday 25th February 2018

Welcome: We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our services and events, especially if you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time. Please stay for coffee/tea afterwards so we can meet together.

Today's Services - 2nd Sunday of Lent


8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>
10.00am	Parish Communion <i>Rev'd Canon Michael Grylls</i>
Readings (overleaf)	Richard Southern & Marian Grylls
Intercessions	Lucy Vincent-Daviss
Hymns: Green Book	81; 465; 195; 299; 560 (vv 1,2,5)
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church

This Week's Church Diary

Mon 26	9.00am 10.00am 1.30pm	Visiting Bellringers Lent Group at Hampton Vicarage Bengeworth Academy Visit to church
Tue 27	10.00am 2.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion in church Funeral of Noreen Bearcroft Lent Group at 8 Chestnut Close
Wed 28		
Thu 1	10.00am 2.00pm 7.00pm	Contemplative Prayer at Hampton Church Shortlisting for Administrator vacancy Asum Youth Group ('Youthie') in church
Fri 2	7.00pm	Church Choir Practice (Bostock Room)
Sat 3	12.30pm	Bengeworth Parish Lunch

Next Sunday, 4th March - 3rd of Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>	Readings (Lent 3) ◆ Exodus 20. 1-17
10.00am	Morning Praise <i>Nick Wright & Mandy Palmer</i>	◆ 1 Corinthians 1. 18-25 ◆ John 2. 13-22
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church	

Including Everyone: Please let the 'welcomers' know  if you have any special needs that we can help with. NB Gluten free communion wafers are available here. Please tell one of 'the welcomers' if you require one.

Our Church is open most days - drop in for quiet. Encourage others to do the same. Use the Prayer Station in the north chapel. Take some time. Breathe deeply. Know that God is close - and his grace is sufficient for you... (2 Cor 12.9)

Notices



Preparing for our Church AGM: Please could the officers of the church provide their reports for the APCM - to reach Nick Wright at the Benefice Office by the 1st March. The AGM is booked for Sunday 22nd April, after the 10am service.

Help Needed: Lucy Vincent-Daviss has the materials to do repairs to two long seat runners. Can you help? All you need to offer is a little time and an ability to use a needle. If you might be interested, please speak to Lucy or Marie to find out more.



Sharing the Load: There are lots of regular practical tasks in the church that could be shared more widely. And we have the quinquennial report on the building and there is a lot of work to be done over the next five years. So please consider if you could join a small group together - and speak to Dave or Marie, thank you.

AND Don't forget the next **Parish Lunch** coming up next Saturday, 3rd March. Details on the News Extra.

For our Prayers this week

- * The suffering people of Syria as war continues, seven years on; those who are caught up in the conflict and those who have escaped and wonder if they will ever return home;
- * Those considering tighter gun control in the United States;
- * Those trying to restore the power-sharing agreement for Northern Ireland; for a fresh spirit of cooperation;
- * All Christians keeping their Lenten disciplines; for new growth and insight as many of us share the daily #LiveLent quiet time; for Bishop John's Lent Appeal for Berega Hospital in Morogoro Diocese, Tanzania;
- * As we remember Jesus talking about his road to suffering and death, we pray for those who are facing their death;

For those who are sick, in special need or housebound: Janet Bailey; Beattie Ballard; Pearl Bradley; Daniel Crockford; Richard Emson; Sylvia Emson; Hazel James; Barbara Line; Judith Smart; Ken Smith.

For those who have died, and all who mourn them: Margaret Canning; Dr. Clive Penketh; Noreen Bearcroft; Brian Bennett



Our Benefice is part of the Asum Group of Parishes

Large print service and hymn books are available at the back of Church. Please ask the welcomers - or help yourself!



This church has an audio loop system

CHURCH CONTACTS

Benefice Office, normally staffed 9.15am to 1.15pm Mon-Fri. Call Elaine or Nick on **01386 446381** or email: office@hamptonchurch.org.uk

News Extra - Sunday 25th February 2018

from around and beyond our Churches

News for Lent

Contemplative Prayer for Lent



Would you like less words, more quiet, more reflection? Then come and try our Contemplation Prayer times. There will be three, all at **St. Andrew's Hampton**, and all in March as follows:

- ⇒ Thursday 1st March, 10am to 11.30am
- ⇒ Wednesday 7th March, 7pm to 8.30pm
- ⇒ Thursday 22nd March, 10am to 11.30am

We shall be led by Sr. Elizabeth Atkinson who writes: Let us be present in the presence of God in the house of God.... God our heavenly Father, his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, leading us upon our Lenten journey... The Holy Spirit, the breath of God, stirring us to action.

Join us for this time of focused prayer in body, mind and spirit. It will include Morning Prayer will precede, and a short meditation will conclude, one hour of silence.

All are welcome to any or all of these times. Please arrive and leave in prayerful silence, no talking or consumption of food or drink.



The **Bishop's Lent Message** is available to watch at www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/. If you can't get online, please contact the office for a copy on DVD

Lent Groups

There are some small groups sharing a 5-session course and it's not too late to join in:

- + Mondays, 10am - 11.30am at Hampton Vicarage - Contact Charlie Binney - 01386 424235
- + Tuesdays, 7.30 - 9pm at 8 Chestnut Close - Contact Michael Hunter 01386 41490
- + Tuesdays 7pm for 7.30pm to 9pm at Evesham Vicarage, 5 Croft Road - Contact Evesham Office 01386 442213

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LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

A **Large Print** version of the Sunday Readings sheet is normally available each week - please ask the welcomers for your copy.

This Week

Women's World Day of Prayer

Praying for Suriname -
a Service for everyone.
Friday 2nd March, 2.30pm
St. Egwins Church,
Norton



5 seats available with Diana Scorse if you need a lift, leaving St. Andrew's 1.45pm: 01386 446848.

Bengeworth Parish Lunch

Saturday 3rd March, 12.30pm
at St. Peter's Church, Bengeworth
£6 for a good meal amongst friends.
Everyone welcome. Please book your place
with Sandra Cockram on 01386 832676

Opportunities

Is God nudging you to take a lead in your church community...?

ALMtraining
being a community learning to serve

Diocesan Training for **Authorised Lay Ministry** (ALM) is starting in September. A few people from our benefice are hoping to participate. What about you? Check out the details at www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/mission-and-ministry/your-christian-calling/or-speak-to-one-of-the-clergy.

Dates for your Diaries

Towards Confirmation 2018

Our Benefice Service of Baptism and Confirmation is on Sunday 17th June, 10am with Bishop John presiding. We shall be starting preparation groups immediately after Easter. So if you - or someone you know - would be interested in exploring the life of faith, perhaps towards confirmation, please get in touch with the Benefice Office - 01386 446381; office@hamptonchurch.org.uk



Evesham Festival of Words: Saturday 30th June, St. Peter's Church, Bengeworth: 'More than Words' with EODS (Evesham Opera and Drama Society)!

Ninebarrow in Concert - Saturday 18th May, at Broadway Church. Tickets £12.50 from Shellie on 01386 852352.