

The Benefice of Bengeworth and Hampton, with Sedgeberrow and Hinton on the Green

Newsletter for Sunday 25th March 2018 – Palm Sunday – Holy Week begins

Services and events for today & the coming week		
Sunday 25 th March 2018 – Palm Sunday (Lent 6)		
8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
8am	Holy Communion	Bengeworth
10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
10am	Parish Eucharist	Bengeworth
10am	Fresh Expressions	Fairfield
11am	Palm Sunday Family Worship	Sedgeberrow
11.15am	Palm Sunday & Easter Service	Hinton
6pm	Asum Service	Bengeworth
Mon 26 th	10am Bible Study	The Vicarage
	7.30pm Compline	Hampton
Tue 27 th	9.30pm Tots' Group	Hampton
	10am Holy Communion	Bengeworth
	7.30pm Compline	Hampton
Wed. 28 th	10am Holy Communion	Hampton
	10.30am Service of Light	Hampton
	7.30pm Compline	Hampton
Thur 29 th	9.15am St. Andrew's School Easter Service	Hampton
	9.30am Sedgeberrow School Easter Service	Hampton
	7.30pm Group Eucharist	All Saints
	7pm Youth Group	Bengeworth
Good Friday	10am Stations of the Cross	Hampton
	11am Walk of Witness	Bridge Street
	2pm Good Friday Service	Sedgeberrow
	2pm Good Friday Service	Hampton
Easter Saturday	3pm Easter Family Service	Hampton
Sunday 1 st April 2018 – Easter Day		
8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
8am	Holy Communion	Bengeworth
9am	Parish Eucharist	Sedgeberrow
10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
10am	Parish Eucharist	Bengeworth
10am	Fresh Expressions	Fairfield

Please note...

Gluten free Communion breads are available in all of our churches. If you require one, please mention this to the 'welcomers' or one of the Churchwardens

Easter Lilies @ Hampton

Donations are welcomed please for the Easter Lilies. This can be given to Jane Wisniewski or left on the Font. Thank you.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

For those who are housebound, sick and elderly:
Janet Bailey, Mabel Bailey, Sarah Clements, Shirley Davis, Roseanna Denning, Grace Dolphin,

Andrew Dyke, Margaret Goodman, Terry Grinnell, Olivia Hancock, Girlie Humphries, Sue Jones, Joyce Lampitt, Lewis Langstone, Clifford Lewis, Lucy Paine Janice Sinclair, Freda Swords, Brian Westwood, Cyril Westwood, Jessie Webb, Janet Wilkes, Ivan Withers, Joan Wood & Michael Wood.

For those who have died

Jean Massey; Brian Bennett; Joy Hall; Barbara Foxall; Barbara Newitt; James Byron;

We keep in mind...

- Those responsible for data protection as new rules become law in May; for the biggest companies who have most power and responsibility with personal information;
- The relationship between the UK and Russia in this tense time; for those working behind the scenes to restore trust; for wise decisions over the World Cup;
- For the parts of Africa where extremist forces threaten peace - especially in Nigeria; for the overcoming of Boko Haram; for Libya; for South Sudan;
- Christian ministers sharing the Easter Gospel in these holy days; for our own witness to others as Easter People;
- Those who, like Jesus, face mockery and loneliness as they commit to doing the right and thing in the face of evil;

Church Electoral Roll Revision – all churches

The church electoral roll is the formal list of church members and everybody who worships regularly should have their name on it. Each year before the annual church meetings the electoral roll must be brought up to date. So, **please check that your name is on the current Roll.** And, if it is not, please sign one of the new blue forms. These also give you the option of providing more contact details and data protection permissions. Please return completed forms to your Electoral Roll Office or Churchwardens. The deadline for this at Hampton is today (25th March); for Hinton and Sedgeberrow new applications must be received by Easter Day.



Service of Light

Short reflective Service led by Vicarage Lent Group after Communion on Wednesday. All welcome.



Our Benefice is part of the Asum Group of parishes

Large print hymn books are available and can be found on the bookshelf at the back of Church



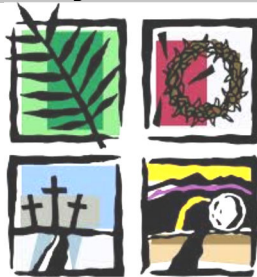
St Andrew's is fitted with a loop system. To use this please switch hearing aids to 'T'

News Extra - Sunday 25th March 2018

from around and beyond our Churches

Holy Week Journey

This evening: Asum Service for Palm Sunday - 'Touch Wood?' - music, words and silence to draw us close to Jesus in his Holy Week journey. 25th March, 6pm, St. Peter's Bengeworth, led by Bishop Robert Paterson and the CTED Choir.



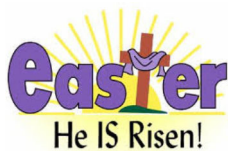
Compline (Night Prayer) and Reflection on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, 7.30pm at St. Andrew's, Hampton. Step by step towards the passion with John's Gospel.

The Eucharist of the Last Supper

(Maundy Thursday, 29th March), will be held at All Saints, Evesham this year, starting at 7.30pm. This service is for the whole Group of our parishes. *The office at All Saints will be very pleased to hear from Readers and/or Intercossors who are available to read or lead prayers at this service. Please telephone 01386 442213.*



United Churches Walk of Witness - Good Friday, 30th March, from 11am starting at the bottom of Bridge Street. All churches are asked to share this sign of Christ's love in our town.



Children's Easter Service on Easter Eve, 31st March, 3pm at St. Andrew's, Hampton. Families from all over our benefice are invited to join in this celebration.

Easter Vigil Service, with the Lighting of our Paschal Candles, on Saturday 31st March, 8pm, at All Saints', Evesham. This service will help bring together the themes explored in the #LIVELENT course. 'The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it'.



Mary Magdalene - the new movie - opens at Tewkesbury Roses Theatre on Good Friday 30th March with one showing per day until the following Thursday. It stars Rooney Mara as Mary Magdalene, Joaquin Phoenix as Jesus, Chiwetel Ejiofor as Peter (star of Oscar-winning 12 Years a Slave); and is directed by Garth Davis (director of Lion). See www.rosestheatre.org - Phone: 01684 295074



Coming Soon



Bengeworth Parish Lunch Saturday 7th April, 12.30pm.

A friendly gathering for a two course meal for £6, served by Sandra and her team. To book please contact her on 01386 832676

Asum Churches all together celebrating Easter

Sunday 8th April, 10.00am at All Saints Church, Evesham

There will be no mid-morning services in our benefice that day.



Celebrating our Mission and Ministry Together in the Benefice of Asum South.

Now we are four-in-one, we invite everyone from our four churches to join forces for a **special celebration service on Sunday 29th April at St. Peter's, Bengeworth**. We shall begin at **10.30am**, and the service will be followed by extra-special refreshments.

Archdeacon Robert Jones will be preaching at the service, we shall pray for each church and community represented, and share a rededication with our clergy and lay ministers. Please keep the date - so we can all get together!



New Benefice Administrator - Caryl Mills has been appointed to job share with Elaine Major in our Benefice Office. She will begin work on 18th April. Please pray for her as she joins the team.

Last Call.... Is God nudging you to take a lead in your church community...? Maybe as a Pastoral Worker?



Worship Leader? Evangelist? Children & Young People Worker? Administrator?

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 by mid April.

STOP PRESS: Our Confirmation Group for adults will meet on Wednesday evenings, 7 - 9pm at the Vicarage, starting on 25th April. Please encourage anyone you know to take this opportunity... contact the Benefice Office.

