

# The Benefice of Bengeworth and Hampton, with Sedgeberrow and Hinton on the Green Newsletter for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Mothering Sunday

Services and events for today & the coming week		
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Mothering Sunday		
8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
8am	Holy Communion	Bengeworth
10am	Mothering Sunday Eucharist	Bengeworth
10am	Mothering Sunday Eucharist	Hampton
10am	Mothering Sunday Service	Fairfield
11am	Mothering Sunday Family Service	Sedgeberrow
11.15am	Mothering Sunday Family Service	Hinton
6pm	Soul Food	All Saints
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am Bible Study Lent Course	The Vicarage
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30pm Tots' Group	Hampton
	10am Holy Communion	Bengeworth
	2pm Fellowship Club	Hampton Club
	2pm Songs of Praise	Hawthorns
	7.30pm Lent House Group	8, Chestnut Close
Wed. 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am Holy Communion	Hampton
	10.45am PCC Meeting	Hampton Church
	2pm Care Home Ministry Meeting	Benefice office
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>	7pm Youth Group	Bengeworth
Fri/ Sat		
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent		
8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
8am	Holy Communion	Bengeworth
9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
10am	Parish Eucharist	Bengeworth
10am	Morning Praise	Hampton
10am	Fresh Expressions	Fairfield
3pm	Holy Baptism – Luca Frasca & William Middleton	Hampton
3pm	Songs of Praise	Austen Court
6pm	Soul Food	All Saints

### Please note...

**Pew-sheet Notices and Prayer Requests:** Please send these to the Benefice Office by 9.00am on Thursdays. Tel (01386) 446381 Email [office@hamptonchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@hamptonchurch.org.uk)

**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

### Caring Hands

**Please keep your donations coming...** We are collecting at the back of our churches for food and toiletries for those in need. Tinned meals are especially welcome.

**Elaine is still awaiting reports** for Hampton from House groups, Alphabet house, Altar Guild, Tots, Youth group, Gift aid report & St. Andrew's Church Centre!!!!



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 loop system. To use this please switch hearing aids to 'T'

## 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

Michael Edwards, Thelma Berry; Horace Phillips; Noreen Bearcroft; Jean Massey; Brian Bennett; Joy Hall; Barbara Foxall

### We keep in mind...

- The hopes of easing of tensions and talks between North Korea and the United States;
- The new governments being formed in Italy, Germany and Zimbabwe; for fresh vision and commitment to compassion and justice for all nations;
- For the guidance of the Holy Spirit for this country and our European partners in the crucial debate about Brexit;
- Parents who carry sorrows or guilt; those whose children have died or gone missing or rejected them;
- The new wave of commitment towards gender equality; for the role of women in our society to be affirmed and remunerated fully;

### Church Electoral Roll (Hampton)

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. This year the revision starts today and will be completed on 25th March. If you are not already on the roll please complete an application form, which can be found on the font, and return it to Michael Hunter. If you are already on the roll please check your entry and let Michael know of any changes which are required. The new roll will be published on 1st April.

### Easter Lilies @ Hampton

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



# News Extra - Sunday 11th March 2018

from around and beyond our Churches

## Preparing for Easter

### Choir for Palm Sunday

You are welcome to come and join in the CTED Choir rehearsals -

**Wednesdays 7.30 - 9pm at St. Peter's Church, Bengeworth** - in preparation for the special Asum Service on Palm Sunday evening at 6pm. Bishop Robert Paterson will be leading the service. More details from Keith Biggin 01386 710599.



**Palm Sunday is just a fortnight away, and Easter three weeks. So here are some of the things happening which we hope will enrich our journey through Passiontide....**



**Quiet Hour of Contemplation** - Thursday 22nd March, 10am to 11.30am. A final chance this Lent to try a time of just sitting with God, enjoying the stillness - and being.

**Asum Service for Palm Sunday** - 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.



**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'.



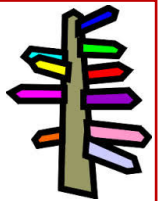
## Ministry and Mission Together

### Care Home Ministry Update

There is a meeting for our Care Home team on **Wednesday 14th March, 2.00pm** at the Benefice Office (next to Hampton Vicarage). Come to this meeting if you'd like to find out more about this opportunity to serve and bless.



**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](http://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/mission-and-ministry/your-christian-calling/or) speak to one of the clergy soon.

**ALMtraining**  
being a community learning to serve

ESHAM COMMUNITY HOSPITAL  
**SHOP VOLUNTEERS**  
Urgently required (Mornings or afternoons)  
Please offer your help!  
Contact: Frances Smith – 01386 443157

**Evesham Street Pastors** are starting another series of training sessions and would like to encourage others to think about this important mission work in the town. If you would like to learn more about the work of a Street Pastor or a Prayer Partner please contact John Darby on 07747 842 192 or by email at [johndarby@icloud.com](mailto:johndarby@icloud.com)

**Refugees Welcome in Evesham?** Other nearby towns like Redditch, Bromsgrove, Stratford and Malvern now have 'Welcome Refugees' groups, largely though not only church-supported. Can anyone interested in this contact me on [davidhaslam558@btinternet.com](mailto:davidhaslam558@btinternet.com)

**Dementia Friends Information Sessions:** Rosie and Heather can now run these sessions and are looking for opportunities. Contact Rosie Grove on 01386 442111 or Heather Bryce on 01386 41907 for more information.