

St Mary Magdalene Pew News
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Sunday next before Lent
11th February 2018

Welcome to our worship today
Please stay for refreshment afterwards.

Readings for today: 2 Kings 2: 1-12; Psalm 50: 1-6;
2 Corinthians 4: 3-6; Mark 9: 2-9

Refrain for the Psalm: 'Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving'

Hymns today:

P: 314 Immortal, Invisible
G: 67 Be still for the presence of the Lord
O: 448 Meekness and Majesty
R: 86 Bright the vision that delighted

Communion Music

253 Hail, gladdening Light
674 This is my body
845 Jesus bids us shine

Young Pilgrims meet today in the vestry and next on Sunday 25th February at 9.30am

Plastic milk bottle tops are collected to raise funds for the Chestnut Tree Children's Hospice. Please wash and add them to the bin by the door. Please do not add any other kind of bottle top.

Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish Giving Scheme (**PGS**) is a 21st century solution to offset one of the greatest problems of local church income – 'static' giving. Donations made through **PGS** use a Direct Debit which can be on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis. The full donation, plus any associated Gift Aid is sent straight back to us here at St. Mary Magdalene.

PGS makes life easier for administration and improves our cashflow. This in turn frees up our energies to focus on other important church priorities and not be so worried about money.

PGS also gives an option for you to agree, in principle to increase your donation in line with inflation each year which in the long term, will make a huge difference to our church finances - just tick the box when you complete the application form. Please be reassured that if your circumstances change, it is easy to decline the increase when the annual inflationary letter arrives in advance of any change. You may already have been approached but if not to join the scheme please contact Tim for further information.

Tel 881320 or hutchingstjb@gmail.com

Flowers in memory of a loved one

Would you like to remember a friend or relative in a special way on an important anniversary, a birthday or date of death?

At St Mary Magdalene in the heart of the village, we decorate the church with flowers most weekends (though not in March/ April during Lent or November in Advent)

If you would like to contribute to those flowers for a specified occasion we invite you to put a cash donation into an envelope with the date and name of the person who is being remembered.

This should go through the door at "Badgers", The Street, marked clearly *Margaret Burgess, donation.*

The money will go towards flowers for that weekend. A note will go into church with them if that is what you would like. Please ring Emily on 01444 881320 if you want more information.

Services in the coming week

Ash Wednesday Said Eucharist at 10.00am at Cowfold

Ash Wednesday Sung Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at 7.45pm at Bolney

Thursday Said Eucharist at 9.30am at Bolney

Sunday 18th February

8am Holy Communion (Said BCP) at Cowfold

10am Breathing Space at Bolney.

Sue would be grateful for your **palm crosses** to prepare ash for Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes. Please leave on the table by the door in church for collection. Thank you.

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Are you looking at our amazing website? New photos appearing all the time AND listen every week to the sermon preached on the preceding Sunday. Plus hymns and recordings to listen/sing-along to! It's changing all the time – nothing goes stale! Bishop Mark features in a video blessing our hospitality corner!

New readers, sidespersons, intercessors, ministers of communion and coffee makers are always welcome to join our rota. If you would like to help please see Sue or contact Martin Wood who kindly spends a good deal of time putting the rota together for us. It's no mean feat!

Dates for your diary

Village Day Saturday 30th June. Offers to help sell our Prize Draw

Tickets will be most welcome – before and on the day.

Tea at Agates Saturday 18th August by kind invitation from Judy.

Offers of help will be much appreciated. Please let Sue or Judy know if you can help in any way.

The Chrism Mass will be in the Cathedral on Tuesday of Holy Week 27th

March beginning at 12 noon. We will arrange lunch afterwards as is our tradition! Please let Sue know if you would like to attend.

Intercessions

Please continue to pray for those who are sick and in need within our families and community especially Margaret Akeroyd, Hannah Buhler, Barney Barclay, Veronica Burgess, Maddie, Gay Courtnage, Bob Ellis, Jessie Foote, Richard Ford, Joy Futchter, Joy Moon, John Higinbotham, Bobbie, Steffi Nunn, Jackie Clare Hunt, Cyril and Nellie Lucas, Douglas and Eleanor Littlejohn, Doug Mills, Geoff Mills, Jon Perrott, Henry Rogers, Helen, Janet Samson, Dorothy Sheridan, Gina Ricci, Mike Vidler, and Brenda Watts.

Please pray for the soul of Elaine Matthias, widow of Eddie Matthias (priest)

FSW basket for donations of non-perishable groceries. Your contributions are gratefully received for distribution around the diocese for those less fortunate than ourselves. They are collected on a regular basis. Pasta, tinned goods, cereals and toiletries are very welcome.

Year of Prayer within our Diocese

Please visit <http://www.chichester.anglican.org/yearofprayer> for more information.

A Prayer Card for your personal use is available on the table by the door.

Bishop Richard is to make a pilgrimage across the Diocese in the week leading up to Pentecost. He will stop at St Mary Magdalene for prayer with us at 9.30am on Wednesday 16th May. All are welcome to join him.

Bolney Markets at The Rawson Hall are booked for this year! **Next one will be this coming Saturday 17th February 10am – 12noon.** Please contact Claire George if you are interested in having a stall or can help in any way. clairegeorge@bolney.plus.com
These markets are proving invaluable for mission within the parish.

Bolney Christian Women's Breakfast

Saturday 10th March at The Eight Bells 8.30am – 10.30am

More details to follow - please bring a friend. To book please contact Marigold.

marigoldpym@gmail.com

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Articles to be with the Editor by 15th of the month please.