

CROSSROADS

The magazine for
St George's, Tuffley and St Margaret's, Whaddon

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering

Growing God's Kingdom



ST GEORGE'S

Sunday
Monday
Tuesday

Parish Communion at 10.30am
Evening Prayer on Zoom at 5.00pm
Parish Communion at 10.00am
Evening Prayer at 5.00pm

ST MARGARET'S

Wednesday
1st Sunday
2nd Sunday

Morning Prayer at 8.15am on Zoom
Evensong at 5.00pm

3rd Sunday
4th Sunday
5th Sunday
Thursday

Parish Communion at 9.00am and
Family Praise at 4.00pm
Evensong at 4.00pm
Parish Communion at 9.00am
Parish Communion at 9.00am
Parish Communion at 10.30am

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ST GEORGE'S TUFFLEY WITH ST MARGARET'S WHADDON

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REV RACHEL WRITES...

Watch and Pray

The Church of England focus for Lent this year is 'Watch and Pray: wisdom and hope for Lent and life.' You might have picked up one of the little booklets from church with the daily readings and reflections. If you haven't managed to do so yet, there are a few left at both churches – please do take one. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York describe it as, "Watch and Pray challenges us to seek God in both familiar and unfamiliar places: in darkness and in quiet; in movement and migration; in the healing and transforming work of the Spirit; in the weeping of Holy Week and in the joy of Easter morning."

During Lent, and especially Holy Week, we watch and pray with Jesus as we think of the darkest day of suffering, he endured on Good Friday. We hear the words afresh that he said to the disciples on Maundy Thursday, 'watch and pray with me' as he went into the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. He prayed for God to take away the suffering that was to come, and that if that wasn't possible, he prayed for strength to get through it. This is often our prayer in life for ourselves and for others, as we and others go through dark and difficult times.

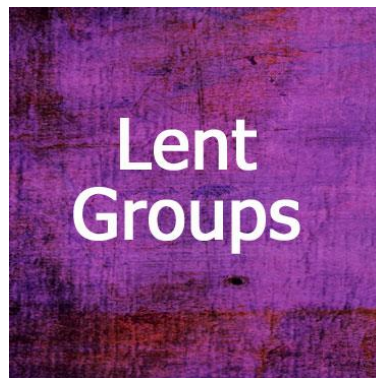
There are probably many people and places we can think of to watch and pray with this Lent. The people in Ukraine, who have now been living through invasion and war in their country for more than two years. The people of Israel and Gaza, the Yemen, Sudan, Syria, and many other places where war and conflict rage. We may have people and situations within our own community, our friends and family on our hearts this Lent, to watch and pray with. Indeed, we ourselves may be going through times of anxiety, pain, and suffering as we watch and pray with Jesus.

As we watch and pray during Lent, we also remember that Good Friday is not the end of Lent, the darkness and the suffering are not the end. After Good Friday comes Easter Day. Jesus doesn't stay dead in the tomb but bursts forth in the new life of the resurrection. This is what we are promised too; that death and suffering are transformed by the love and light of the resurrected Jesus. There is always hope. The light of Jesus bursts through in the most unexpected ways, through the most unexpected people and times – if we but look for it.

May we watch and pray this Lent in hope; watching and praying for those chinks and glimpses of Jesus love and light shining in the darkness, bringing comfort and strength.

With every blessing to you all for a hope-filled Lent

RACHEL



We'd love you to take part in our 2024 Lent journey, this year we will be using videos filmed in the Holy Land, which will help us to reflect on Jesus' life and ministry and what it means to be followers of Jesus today. The sessions will be on Monday evenings from 7.30pm until 9.00pm from 19th February and Wednesday afternoons from 2.00pm until 3.30pm from 21st February in St George's Lady Chapel.

A wonderful opportunity for us all to grow in our understanding, experience, and confidence about our faith, and to raise those questions we've never quite got around to before. DO come, and do bring a friend! To make the journey even more enriching for others.



"If at first you don't succeed,
try doing it the way mum told you to in the beginning." - Unknown



CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Bishop Rachel will be leading a Confirmation Service at St Margaret's on Sunday 28th April. If you would like to be Confirmed or if you would like to know more about this, please do talk to Rachel or Laine about this (see article in February's Crossroads for more details).

The Gloucestershire Police Male Voice Choir concert in February was a great success, a packed warm church, wonderful music from the choir who were supported by ONYX a locally based female harmony group. An evening full of lovely music and humour. Thank you to all involved behind the scenes, you all helped to make the evening the success it undoubtedly was. The whole concert was in memory of Pat Price, whose husband had been a choir member for many years until Pat's health deteriorated. It was a great tribute to her and her support of the choir.



Can we have more concerts at St George's?

The answer is a big, YES!

The Innsworth Military Wives Choir will be in concert in St George's Church on Saturday 20th April. Put the date in your diary now, so you don't miss out! More details will be available soon.

One detail that I do know of is that the concert will have a St George's Day theme.



Parish Registers

BAPTISMS

St Margaret's

Bethan Scarlett Birch
Harrison Benjamin Birch

St George's

Seren-Esme Violet Buckley
Noah James Patrick Buckley

FUNERALS

St George's

Julie Tandy RIP

St Margaret's

Eileen Elizabeth Squires RIP

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

ART AND CRAFT GROUP

Continues to meet on a Thursday at 2.00pm until 4.00pm in the Small Hall. The group look forward to seeing old members and new – do come along and see what you think, no pressure to come every week – come when you can.

You can bring your own art or craft work and materials along, or come and use some of the growing amount of art materials in our 'communal box'.

Do be brave and come along, we're a very friendly group of people with mixed abilities!

REMEMBER

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BEFORE, BUT NO LATER THAN... **...WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH**

Crossroads will be printed on Monday 25th March

If you can get your articles to the Editors earlier than the above date, great!!

Thank you for your help in this matter



The Blessing of the Pets

Bring your pet or soft toy for a blessing at St Margaret's Church on Sunday 21st April at 4.00pm, when we will be celebrating all of God's creation.

Please invite your friends, family, and neighbours to come along too!

There will be refreshments served after the service.

Editor's note: A poster at Blockley Church showed an elephant, but I'm not sure we want to encourage people to bring such a large animal...!!

A IS FOR.....

Aardvark? Apple? Armadillo? What comes to your mind?

Ruth Valerio in her book 'L is for Lifestyle' (see last month's book review in Crossroads) chooses the word Activists. Why? Because she believes: "Activism is rooted in the heart and character of God himself," and "Activism is the call that God has placed on us."

She gives three reasons for this, "Because we have been made in the image of God," "Because of the state of the world," and "Because of our hope in the future."

The more thought we give to the environment around us and the effect of our own lifestyle choices on problems such as global warming, the more likely we are to seek to be more active ourselves.

Few of us would call ourselves activists but it should be possible to become more active in a Christ like way. To do so we may need to become more prayerful, more knowledgeable, and more gracious in our opinions, but where do we start?

There are many organisations which produce helpful prayer material with a global focus. CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development), Christian Aid, Open Doors and Tearfund, to name a few. I can provide phone numbers and /or addresses for anyone without internet access.

As we pray may God give us vision and fill us with compassion and determination to change our own ways where necessary and start (or continue) to make a positive difference in our world at such a time as this.

LORRAINE BEST

FOODBANK...

...have let us know that in 2023 we as a Benefice donated a total weight of
3542.29kg in food and toiletries
which is equivalent to the providing of 8434 meals
Give yourselves a pat on the back and continue the good work.



JOIN THE
**CLEANING
TEAM**

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH CLEANING
Saturday 5th April from 10.00am onwards

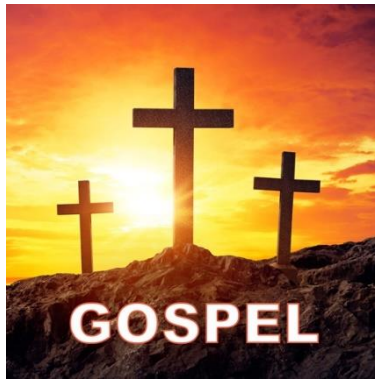
See you all again on Saturday 5th April. We welcome, duster flickers, Hoover moovers, cobweb shifters, light bulb changers, chair straighteners, and anyone new to our little band. We were a little light in numbers in February, hopefully that was put right for the March church cleaning session.

Please check your Signpost for any new church cleaning updates.

Don't forget there's tea, coffee, and cake for all who join us!

**"THE
100
CLUB"**

The next draw of St George's 100 Club will take place on Sunday 3rd March 2024. Numbers in the draw are £1.00 each, per month or £12.00 per number for the entire year, you can pay your dues to your collector or to Darrell as soon as you like. If you would like to join our 100 Club, please see, or contact Darrell. Thank you



GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ

Questions based on the Gospel readings for January

- 1 Wise men (the Magi) asked Herod, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?". Where does scripture say the Wise men travelled from?
- 2 Scripture says, 'King Herod was frightened and all _____ with him". What word is missing.
- 3 Herod asked, "Where the Messiah was to be born?". To whom was this question posed?
- 4 Jesus said to Philip, "Follow Me". Which was Philip's hometown?
- 5 Who said, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"
- 6 On the third day what took place at Cana in Galilee?
- 7 How many stone water-jars were filled with water?
- 8 At the time of their purification when Jesus was presented at the temple what creatures did Mary & Joseph offer as a sacrifice as prescribed by the law of Moses?
- 9 Which two righteous people were at the temple and spoke about the child?
- 10 What was the name of the father of one of the righteous people posed in question 9?

Answers to this month's Gospel Truth Bible Quiz are printed later in this issue

JOTTINGS From St Margaret's

Early in February, Marilyn, her sister Anne, Jonathan, and I took down the church Christmas tree. I was late arriving as I had an appointment for some back and leg treatment. Each time I go I feel better and then the pain come back with a vengeance, but we all have our problems.

I had bought two replacement plastic boxes and some new baubles. Marilyn and Anne had already started removing baubles, Jonathan suggested that we moved the tree so we could more easily get the fairy lights off. We safely put them in one of the new boxes and hope that they will be safe in the shed for another year. The Nativity scene too was packed up and put away; we need more hay for next year as it was a bit sparse this Christmas, but it did look rather good!

Then we set to on clearing away all the candles from the windowsills; Marilyn and Anne did a sterling job for there was a lot to sort out afterwards. Jonathan did a lot of running about and tidying for us. When the weather gets a little drier, we'll need to do a more in depth clean, hopefully not to far in the distance.

I wish you the very best and look forward to what our church calendar has to offer this year. So, it's goodbye until next month.

JILL PONTER



Our speaker this month was Thamsin who is the Fund Raiser for Sue Ryder. It was a very enlightening talk, many of us did not know that the Government's funding of Sue Ryder is for training only.

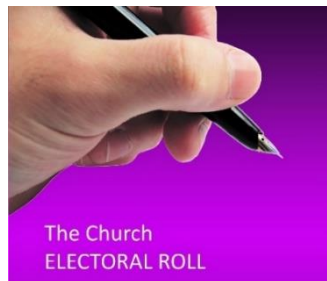
The care at Sue Ryder is free and the only income they get is from fund raising. The average age of patients is 50 they also provide care for the families and palliative care at home. There are vast grounds all tended by volunteers any one is welcome to visit.

The next meeting of our Mothers' Union is on Tuesday 12th March at 2.00pm in the small hall when our own Laine Lewis will be giving a lent talk. All are welcome.



YOUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP NEEDS YOU!

Our 'annual meetings' will take place on Sunday 19th May. This is the time we elect our Parish Church Councils, our Churchwardens etc. Please be on the lookout for people you may like to nominate for the privilege and responsibility of sharing the leadership of our churches in this way. And consider humbly and honestly whether you yourself might be willing to step up to the plate! But, most of all, please keep the matter in your prayers. Thank you



Anyone whose name does not appear on the Electoral Roll will not be eligible to vote or able to be elected to the PCC or any other post. The Electoral Roll will be displayed on the noticeboard in your Church porch a few weeks prior to the APCM. If you wish your name to be added to the list, forms can be obtained from either St George's or St Margaret's. Completed forms should be handed to your Electoral Roll Officer, to Glenda or to a Churchwarden.



LUEY show at St George's on Saturday 13th April at 7.30pm in our main hall; it doesn't matter if you are inexperienced or experienced as long as you are happy to be on stage in front of an audience willing you on. Speak to me by the end of March and let me know what you can do; I'll take it from there...

This will be a fundraising opportunity for St George's so your family and friends can buy tickets and come along to support you. We'll put on a light supper to help calm nerves etc.

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Palm Sunday

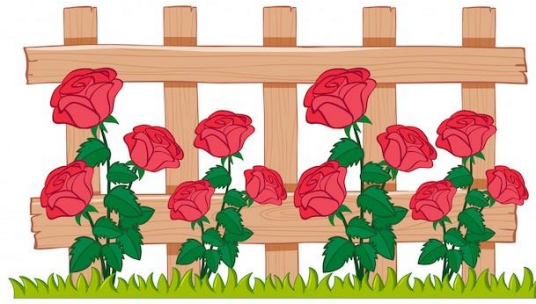
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Find the following words in the above puzzle. Words can go in any direction. Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

Behold, Cloak, Colt, Crowd, Donkey, Expect, Hosanna, Humble, Jesus, King, Palm, Prophet, Savior, Subjects, Zion,

Apologies for the spelling of Saviour!

The answer is printed later in Crossroads



OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

Maya, Maya, have you seen that magazine that our mum writes in? Yes, Trixie I have. So, what was wrong with what she wrote? Well, that's just it, what I told our mum to write only half got printed. Maybe, they had lots of other stuff to put in, Trixie. You could be right there Maya, but it looked so good when our mum wrote it, never mind onwards and upwards, as they say. I wonder what that dozy Rosie is upto these days? I don't know Trixie, but let's have a look around and see if she's about!

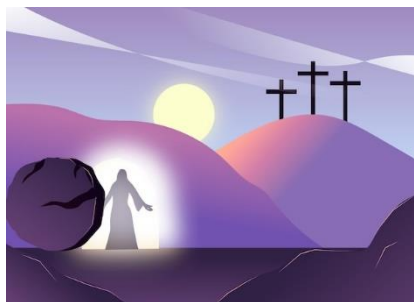
Just look who is coming across the road! Speak of the Devil. Hiya girls, how are you doing? We're doing fine, thanks; but how are you? We haven't seen you for absolutely ages! I know girls, I know but I've been so busy, what with looking after my young hoomans and that flaming dog! He's always up to his armpits in trouble. Trouble, Rosie? What trouble can that poor animal gets into? Like when children go into the bathroom and he takes a drink out of the toilet bowl, how can anyone do that? Well, there are some that would, Rosie and some that wouldn't. Well, come on Rosie, what else has been happening? My mummy's sister came to stay for a few weeks as her house was being redecorated and she didn't want to stay in a hotel so, she came to us. It's been quite an eye opener as her little hoomans have all grown up and got places of their own. It's been so cool to have another lap to sit on, however her husband is only over at weekends and never stops going on about the amount of cat hair on the furniture!! But the dog can sleep on the sofa, and he doesn't say a word about that! I Know just what you mean!

When my mum's nephews are here, they continually brush themselves off with a TUT! But my mum tells them to shush and to get on with other things. We don't say too much to them because they are so huge. They have to duck their heads when they come into the house and when they leave. I expect the young hoomans were looking out for Auntie because she plays all kinds of board games with them. They're getting quite good at it too; Snakes and Ladders is

about my level. Our little girl is quite big now and she's a killer Tiddly Wink player. Mind you we have to keep picking up the Tiddly Winks from the floor and she's always laughing when she can't find all the Winks that have flicked on to the floor. Rosie, I haven't a clue what you are going on about! Snakes and Ladders, Tiddly Winks? What else do they do? Oh, Maya, lots of things, there's a whole cupboard full of other games and Jigsaws. Rosie it must be a regular party going on in your house. I know it must sound strange to you Maya, as you've no little hoomans to play with but it's lots of fun!

I managed to see Harry, the other day Maya, he sends lots of hugs and kisses to you and to Trixie, but at the moment he's not allowed out as he's still having trouble with that wound he sustained. It still doesn't look very good, his hoomans are still very worried about him. He has to go the Vet each week in that box thingy which he's not pleased about! Now I must go girls as my hoomans will be worried about me so, tata girls should I find out anything about anybody, I'll let you know. Ok Rosie, thanks for dropping by. Tata Trixie. Oh, cheerio for now Rosie. Time to say tata to everyone now Trixie, tata folks until the next time. Tata from me Maya too, stay safe and keep warm.

MAYA AND TRIXIE



EASTER

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 24 th	9.00am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
	10.30am	Family Service with donkey at St George's
Monday 25 th	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	7.00pm	Candlelit compline at St Margaret's
Tuesday 26 th	10.00am	Parish Communion at St George's
	10.30am	Stations of the Cross at St George's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel
Wednesday 27 th	8.15am	Morning Prayer on Zoom

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday 28th 10.30am Parish Communion at St Margaret's
7.00pm Reflective Communion followed by quiet watch at St George's

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday 29th 10.00am Messy Easter at St Barnabas
12.30pm Walk of Witness from St Barnabas to Grange Baptist
2.00pm Holy Communion at Grange Baptist
3.00pm The Passion of the Lord and Roman Catholic Mass at English Martyrs

HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday 30th 8.00pm Easter Vigil at St Margaret's

EASTER DAY

Sunday 31st 9.00am Easter Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am Easter Parish Communion at St George's
4.00pm Easter Family Praise at St Margaret's

Any changes to the above information will be highlighted in Signpost our weekly newsletter



QUIZ ABOUT THE MONTH OF MARCH

- 1 If your birthday is on the fifth of March, what is your zodiac sign?
- 2 What is your birthstone if you **are born in the month of March**?
- 3 The month of March is named for which god?
- 4 If you were born in March, what is your flower?
- 5 The month of March is associated with which culture's god?
- 6 How many days are in the month of March?
- 7 The Ides of March is a famous day. What day is it?

- 8 Which historical figure was killed on the Ides of March?
- 9 Which US President was born on the 29th of March?
- 10 If you were born on the 27th of March, what is your zodiac sign?
- 11 Which sport has a tournament named March Madness?
- 12 The holiday of Nowruz is celebrated in March. What is this celebration?
- 13 Which country celebrates Martisor?
- 14 Prince Kuhio is recognized in March. Which culture celebrates this man?

...answers are printed later in Crossroads

GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1 the East: 2 Jerusalem: 3 Chief Priests and Scribes: 4 Bethsaida: 5 Nathanael:
6 a wedding: 7 Six: 8 a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons: 9 Simeon and
Anna: 10 Phanuel:



THROUGH THE WINDOW

Hello everyone, it's your feline friend again. I haven't got a lot, but I'll try my best. The weather has improved a little bit, so my paws aren't getting so cold. Mind you, I do like my home comforts, I'm fed regularly, I have a nice bed to sleep on and the warm lap of my mum.

I've got over what I wrote about last month so, I don't need to go to that place again until I have to. My fur is growing back but it's still draughty under my chin. I look quite moth eaten at the moment, but I'm home so not many people see me. I do go outside but quickly come back in. I still get told off frequently because no sooner am I back indoors then I want to go back outside! My mum

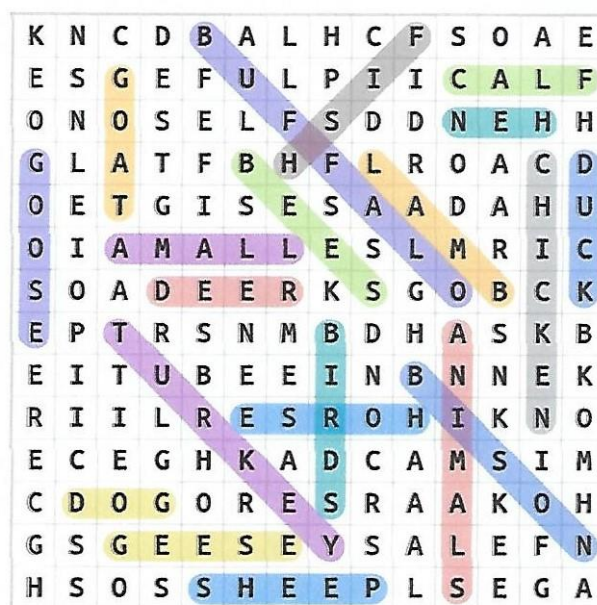
shouts 'Make your mind up, in or out!' If I go out she makes me wait to come back in again but I don't stay out all night because she prefers me to be in really. At night I'm inside in the place I like, on the bed!

Auntie Jill has her Maya and Trixie. She loves them to bits, but they rule the roost! It's been said and I know it to be true, that dogs have owners but cats have slaves.

Maybe, when the weather is warmer, I might just be allowed to stay out longer but right now I'm happy to stay put. When I'm outside I do like to have a little meander, not far, just over that road, sometimes over the fence into the neighbours garden then back home, to put my feet up. Sometimes I have a chat to Maya and Trixie on that machine but not for long as they're busy with their friends. What they get upto heaven knows. Mum and Auntie Jill haven't been out much lately as Auntie Jill had to have something done to her left eye. Which sounds a bit weird to me, but never mind.

Hope to write again soon
Jojo Whittle (Miss)

WORDSEARCH ANSWER



March Quiz Answers

1 Pisces: 2 Aquamarine: 3 Mars: 4 Daffodil: 5 Roman: 6 31: 7 15th: 8 Julius Caesar:
9 John Tyler: 10 Aries: 11 Basketball: 12 Persian/Iranian New Year: 13 Romanian:
14 Hawaiian:



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH AND CENTRE

FEBRUARY

Sun 25	Lent 2		
	March Crossroads available		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	4.30pm	Charles Igbo group meeting	SH
Mon 26	10.30am	Aphasia-Now	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies	MH
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH
	6.15pm	Monday@6.15	MH
	7.00pm	Lent Group 2	LC
	7.15pm	Guides	MH
Tue 26	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	1.30pm	Fun and Free	MH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	LC
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	MH
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 28	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg	SH
	2.00pm	Lent Group 2	LC
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH

Thu 29	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	2.00pm	First Impressions Art and Craft Group	SH
	6.30pm	Clubbercise	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH

MARCH

Fri 1	St David's Day / World Day of Prayer		
Sat 2	10.00am	Church Cleaning	St G's
	10.00am	Litter pick	HP
	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 3	Lent 3		
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	4.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Mon 4	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies	MH
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH
	6.15pm	Mondays@6.15	MH
	7.15pm	Guides	MH
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	2.00pm	Lent Group 3	LC
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
Thu 7	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	2.00pm	Art & Craft Group	SH
	6.30pm	Clubbercise	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Sat 9	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 10	Mothering Sunday / Lent 4		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion & Baptism	St G's

		followed by coffee	
	4.00pm	Family Praise	St M's
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	7.30pm	Guides	MH
	7.15pm	Lent Group 4	LC
Tue 12	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	2.30pm	Mothers' Union	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	LC
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	MH
	7.00pm	PCC meeting	SH
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 13	April Crossroads deadline		
	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg	SH
	2.00pm	Lent Group 4	LC
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee	SL
Thu 14	10.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	2.00pm	Art & Craft Group	SH
	6.30pm	Clubbercise	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Sat 16	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 17	Lent 5		
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	4.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Mon 18	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies	MH
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH
	6.15pm	Mondays@6.15	MH
	7.15pm	Guides	MH
	7.30pm	Lent Group 5	LC
Tue 19	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH

	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	LC
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	MH
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 20	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg	SH
	2.00pm	Lent Group 5	LC
	3.30pm	Slimming World	MH
Thu 21	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	2.00pm	Art & Craft Group	SH
	6.30pm	Clubbercise	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 22	7.30pm	Gardening Club	MH
Sat 23	10.00am	Easter Family Fun	St G's
	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 24	Palm Sunday / Lent 6		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Family Service with donkey	St G's
Mon 25	Holy Week		
	10.30am	Aphasia-Now	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	7.00pm	Candlelit compline	St M's
Tue 26	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	10.30am	Stations of the Cross	St G's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	LC
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 27	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	Maundy Thursday		
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.00pm	Reflective Communion followed by quiet watch	St G's
	10.30am	Thursday Club TBC	SH/SL
Fri 29	Good Friday		
	10.00am	Messy Easter	St B
	12.30pm	Walk of Witness	St B
	2.00pm	Holy Communion	GB

	3.00pm	The Passion of the Lord	EM
Sat 30	Easter Eve		
	8.00pm	Easter Vigil	St M's
Sun 31	EASTER DAY Clocks go forward 1 hour April Crossroads available		
	9.00am	Easter Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Easter Parish Communion	St G's
	4.00pm	Easter Family Praise	St M's

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Mon 1	Easter Monday		
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Tue 2	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	LC
	8.00pm	Karate TBC	MH
Wed 3	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg (catch up session)	SH
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
Thu 4	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
Sat 6	10.00am	Church Cleaning	St G's
	10.00am	Litter Pick	HP
	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 7	Easter 2		
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	4.00pm	Evensong	St M's

St G's = St George's Church, St M's = St Margaret's Church, V = Vicarage,
 LC = Lady Chapel, MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge,
 EM = English Martyrs Catholic Church, St B's = St Barnabas' Church,
 GB = Grange Baptist Church, HP = Holmleigh Park High School

Remember that dates can change, be cancelled, or added so keep an eye on our weekly Signpost Newsletter for the latest information

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR TO FINISH WITH...

Jill said to Jack, "What do you think the worst combination of illnesses is?" Jack said to Jill that he didn't have a clue. So, Jill said, "I think it would be, Alzheimer's and Diarrhoea, because you're running but can't remember where you're running to!"

Jack told Jill that he had put an advert in the window of their local newsagents which read "My wife and I have reached the difficult decision that we do not want children. If anybody does, please just send me your contact details and we can drop them off tomorrow."

Jill was drinking a martini when the waitress screamed, "Does anyone know CPR?" Jill yelled, "Yes, I know the entire alphabet" and the whole bar laughed and laughed. Well, except for one person obviously."

Jack was reminiscing with Jill when he said "As I get older, I remember all the people I lost along the way. Maybe my budding career as a tour guide was not the right choice."

Jack walks into an enchanted forest and tries to cut down a talking tree. "You can't cut me down," the tree exclaims, "I'm a talking tree!" Jack replies, "You may be a talking tree, but you will dialogue."

It was two o'clock in the morning and Jack and Jill were in bed asleep when suddenly the phone rang. Jack picked up the phone and said, "Hello? (paused for a few seconds) How the heck do I know? What am I, the weather man?" and slams the phone down. Jill rolls over and asks, "Who was that?" Jack replies, "I don't know. Some guy who wanted to know if the coast was clear tonight."

When Jack and Jill's son got home from school he was in a mood. Jill asked him why he was moody. He told her that his teacher had asked, why he was doing his math multiplication on the floor? Well, why were you? Jill inquired. "He told me to do it without using tables and I'm in a mood because the whole class laughed at me."

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