



## St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall: Newsletter March 2013

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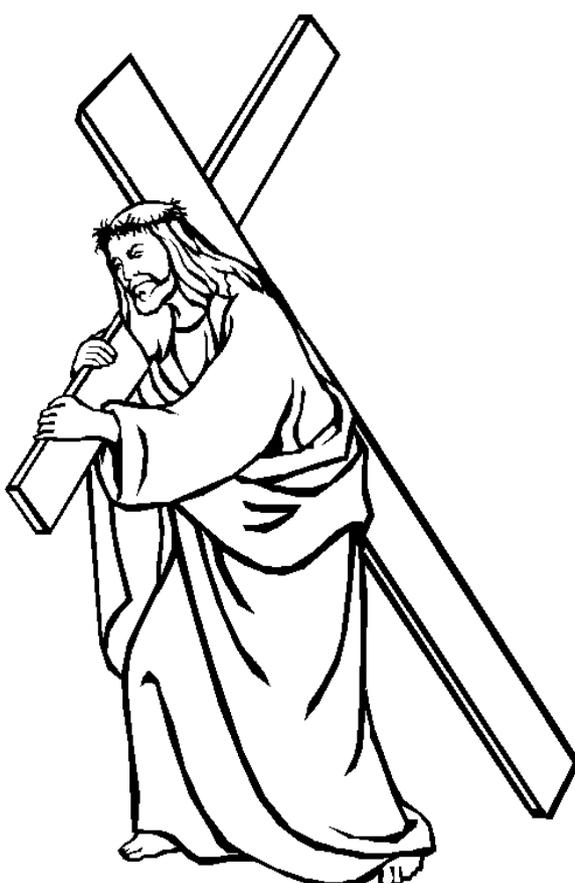
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### SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: MARCH 2013

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
<b>March 3:</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> Family Communion with Young St. Giles.	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> Village Service.	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> Parish Communion. <b>6.30 p.m:</b> Evensong.
<b>March 10:</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent.</b> <b>MOTHERING SUNDAY.</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> Family Service for Mothering Sunday.  <b>NO EVENSONG.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> Holy Communion.	<b>8.00 a.m:</b> Holy Communion. <b>9.30 a.m:</b> Village Worship Mothering Sunday service with Communion.
<b>March 17:</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent.</b> <b>PASSION SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> Mattins <b>8.15 p.m:</b> Holy Communion by candlelight.	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> Holy Communion	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> Parish Communion <b>6.30 p.m:</b> Evensong.
<b>March 24:</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>8.00 a.m:</b> Holy Communion.	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> Holy Communion	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> Parish Communion for Palm Sunday <b>6.30 p.m:</b> Evensong.

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	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
<b>March 25 : Monday in Holy Week</b>			<b>7.30 p.m: Holy Communion</b>
<b>March 26: Tuesday in Holy Week</b>			<b>7.30 p.m. Stations of the Cross to include Vivaldi's Stabat Mater sung by Barbara Marsh</b>
<b>March 27: Wednesday in Holy Week</b>			<b>9.20 a.m: Holy Communion 7.30 p.m: Devotional service, <i>Tenebrae</i> (said service)</b>
<b>March 28: Maundy Thursday</b>			<b>8.00 p.m: Commemoration of the Last Supper: Holy Communion, followed by The Watch.</b>
<b>March 29: Good Friday</b>		<b>10.30 a.m: (at Baginton) Devotional service for Good Friday, led by the Revds. Dorrie and Eric Johnson</b>	<b>10.00 a.m: Children's Good Friday Workshop, followed by Family Service 7.30 p.m: Good Friday Liturgy</b>
<b>March 30 Holy Saturday</b>			<b>8.00 p.m: Easter Vigil</b>
<b>March 31 Easter Day</b>	<b>8.00 a.m: Holy Communion 11.00 a.m: Family Communion</b>	<b>10.00 a.m: Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong</b>
<b>April 7 Second Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00 a.m: Holy Communion</b>	<b>10.00 a.m: Village Service</b>	<b>9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.</b>
<b>Every Wednesday</b>			<b>9.20 a.m: Holy Communion</b>
<b>Every Thursday in Lent</b>			<b>6.30 p.m: Stations of the Cross</b>

## Dates for your diary.

March 10: Mothering Sunday

March 24: Palm Sunday

March 28: Maundy Thursday

March 29: Good Friday

March 30: Holy Saturday

March 31: Easter Day

**April 14 at 5.30 p.m. in church : Annual parish meeting and AGM**

## Mothering Sunday: March 10<sup>th</sup>

We shall be celebrating Mothering Sunday with a short and child-friendly Family Service **in St Giles' Church at 11.00 a.m.**

Posies of flowers will be available for children to give to their mothers/ carers.

Please stay for refreshments after the service.

On Mothering Sunday, we say thank you to our mothers....

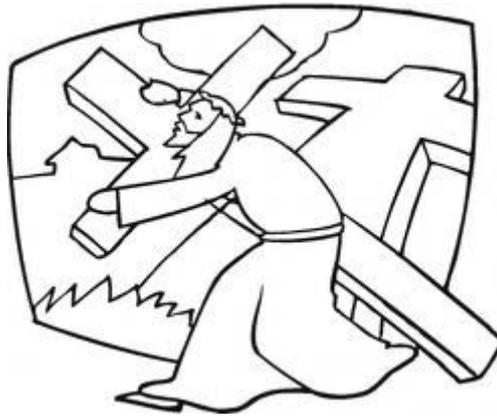


... and make a bit of an effort, perhaps by tidying our rooms a bit.

## **Lent Jars in aid of Helen and Douglas House Children's Hospice**

Please take a jar, collecting box or Gift-Aid envelope from church (or use a jam jar from home) and put in it the money you save by not buying the things (chocolate, gin??) you have given up for Lent. Bring your jar/ box/ envelope to church at or after Easter. Thank you.

## **Lent Service: Stations of the Cross**



On Thursdays in Lent we are meeting at Ryton Church to meditate on the Way of the Cross – Jesus' last journey as he carried his cross through the streets of Jerusalem to the place of his crucifixion. Service begins at 6.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes.

## **Monday February 11: Puzzles and Pancakes.**



Our annual quiz for Shrovetide raised £150 (including a donation made after the event) for US (formerly USPG- the oldest of the Missionary Societies). It was a very enjoyable evening: Thanks to everybody from all 3 parishes who attended and helped, and of course to our quizmaster, the Rector, and to Frances for making all those delicious pancakes

## Lent Group for the three churches of our Benefice:



This year, the Lent Course will take place on Thursday evenings in Ryton Vicarage, starting with a cup of tea or coffee at 7.30 p.m. The service of Stations of the Cross will take place in church as usual, starting at 6.30 p.m.

Please come to either or both of these events. The Lent group should finish by 9.00 p.m. The Lent Course will be based on "Finding a Voice" by Hilary Brand. We will be looking at some clips from the well-known film "The King's Speech". Colin Firth, who played King George VI, said that it was about "the journey not just to become King, but to becoming a human being". The first session will be at Ryton Vicarage at 7.30pm on Thursday 21 February. There will be five sessions in all, but do feel free to come to any of them.

### Lent Lunches at Baginton

Lent Lunches will be taking place every Tuesday in March, starting at 12.30 p.m. Cost: £4.50- profits for Church funds. Details below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Hosts</u>	<u>Venue</u>
5th March	Brenda and Alan Brown	Lucy Price House, Church Road
12th March	Margaret Smith and Dorothy Thurling	Village Hall
19th March	Jean and Roy Palin	The Hay Barn, Church Road
26th March	Joan Harris	32 Jacklin Drive, Finham

### New Archbishop returns to Coventry



Lambeth Palace has confirmed that the new Archbishop of Canterbury will be visiting Coventry on Friday 15 March. Archbishop Justin Welby was ordained in Coventry Cathedral in 1992 and he spent the next fifteen years serving the people of Coventry and Warwickshire as a Church of England minister. This culminated in his role at the Cathedral as Canon for Peace and Reconciliation, prior to leaving for his post as Dean of Liverpool in 2007.

Coventry is one of just five dioceses that Archbishop Justin will be visiting in the days leading up to his enthronement at Canterbury Cathedral. He will be inviting as many people as possible to join him on this 'Journey in

Prayer'.

The Archbishop will visit one city on each day of the journey, and spend that day in prayer. Both adults and children will have an opportunity to pray in ways that reflect the rich variety of Christian traditions. The Bishop of Coventry, The Right Reverend Dr Christopher Cocksworth, said that it will be an enormous joy and privilege to welcome the Archbishop back to Coventry. He said:

“Our new Archbishop of Canterbury is no stranger to the Diocese of Coventry and its remarkable Cathedral. He contributed an enormous amount to the life of church and society in Coventry and Warwickshire over the first 15 years (1992-2007) of his ministry, and the Cathedral's work for peace and reconciliation is deeply in his bones. So it will be an enormous joy and privilege to welcome Archbishop Justin back to Coventry and to join him in prayer. I hope many people across Coventry, Warwickshire and the region will take this wonderful opportunity to be alongside a person of prayer as he seeks God's strength and vision for all that lies ahead.”

The day's programme will begin at 9:00 am in Broadgate (Coventry city centre). He will be greeted by The Lord Mayor of Coventry and other well-wishers prior to a short procession to Coventry Cathedral. There will be free admission to the Cathedral throughout the day, and hundreds of people are expected to join the Archbishop for a wide range of activities. Adults and children of all ages will be most welcome.

Archbishop Justin will be departing from the Cathedral at 3:15 pm.

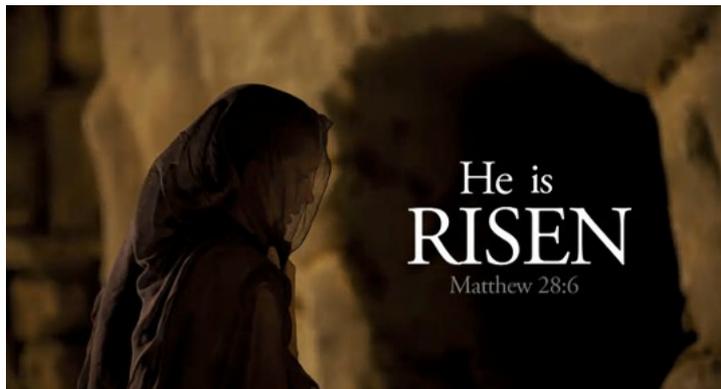
## Thought for the month: From our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle.

I remember a man getting up in a folk club back in the 1970s and keeping the audience in stitches for 20 minutes or so by simply reciting a list of epitaphs, inscriptions on gravestones – genuine ones, he assured us. The one I thought was the funniest was this, from Ohio: “Here lies Jane Smith, wife of Thomas Smith, marble cutter. This monument was erected by her husband as a tribute to her memory and a specimen of his work. Monuments of the same style 350 dollars.”

He finished his performance with an epitaph which isn't particularly funny, but which I wouldn't mind having on my tombstone; another American one, from Georgia: “Been here and gone. Had a good time.”

We are approaching Easter, when we especially remember the death and resurrection of Jesus. There is more than one candidate in Jerusalem for the location of Jesus' tomb. One of them, probably not the most likely, but prized by those who have visited it because it feels more peaceful and somehow more authentic than the traditional burial site in the bustling, noisy Church of the Holy Sepulchre, is the so-called Garden Tomb. At dusk, the garden is closed to the public and the door to the garden is pulled shut, revealing a sign which says: “He is not here. He is risen.” Now that is an epitaph.

One reason we find epitaphs a suitable vehicle for humour is because death frightens us and appals us and laughing at it is a way of defying it and taming it for a while.



But Jesus died and rose again to show us that God's love is stronger even than death itself, that even when we die we live in God's love. Death is not the end and Jesus has defied it and tamed it for ever. “He is not here. He is risen”.

Happy Easter.

## From the Church Register

20 February: Thanksgiving Service for the life of Robert William Beale (Bob)



*May he rest in peace.*

## Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Parochial Church Meeting

These two meetings – which are so close together that they feel like one meeting – will take place this year after Parish Communion on April 14 at 5.30 p.m. in Church. Both meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend, though there are restrictions on who may vote. The Annual Parish Meeting is for the election of Churchwardens, and anyone on the civil electoral roll who lives in the parish of Bubbenhall may vote. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting receives reports on the life of the church and hears any questions which you may have about St Giles' Church. It also elects members to the PCC, and anyone who is on the church electoral roll may vote.

Please consider carefully if **you** are able to offer to serve on the PCC (Parochial Church Council). New ideas, new enthusiasm and new energy are always needed to ensure the vitality of your Parish Church into the future. Please have a word with the Churchwardens or Rector if you would like to serve your Parish Church in this way.

## New Electoral Rolls

Each parish is required to prepare a new electoral roll in 2013 prior to its Annual Parish Meeting in April.

**If you want your name to be included, please complete an electoral roll form and return it to the Electoral Roll officer:**

for Baginton - Charles Leonard

for Bubbenhall - David Hollway

for Ryton - The Rector

You can obtain the forms from the back of church, or by asking a churchwarden, or email the Rector on [david@wintled.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:david@wintled.fsnet.co.uk) to receive the form electronically.

## **Coventry Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers - Rugby Deanery**

Sunday service ringing continues - all welcome. Bubbenhall Bellringers' Practice night is Wednesday 7.30 – 9.00. New ringers/visitors always welcome. For further information on Rugby Deanery/Guild events, bells and/or learning to ring please contact Susan Sheen, tel. 02476 306339

### **Tailpiece: Grace before Easter lunch**

Young Harry and his family were invited to have Easter Sunday lunch at his grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Harry received his plate he started eating straight away.

'Harry, wait until we say grace,' demanded his father.

'I don't have to,' the five year old replied.

'Of course you do, Henry,' his mother insisted rather forcefully. 'We always say a prayer before eating at our house.'

'That's at our house,' Harry explained, 'but this is Grandma's house, and she knows how to cook.'



*“For what we are about to receive...”*

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