

St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall: Newsletter for March 2016

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: MARCH 2016				
DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton	
March 6:	11.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:	
4 th Sunday in Lent. Mothering Sunday.	Family Communion for Mothering Sunday.	Village Service for Mothering Sunday.	Family Communion for Mothering Sunday. 6.30 p.m:	
March 13:	6 20 p.m.	10.00 a.m:	Evensong. 8.00 a.m:	
	6.30 p.m:			
5 th Sunday in Lent.	Evensong.	Holy Communion.	Holy Communion.	
Passion Sunday			9.30 a.m:	
			Village Worship.	
Wednesday, March 9:			11.30 a.m:	
			Holy Communion.	
March 20:	11.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:	
Palm Sunday	Mattins for Palm Sunday. 8.15 p.m: Holy	Holy Communion for Palm Sunday.	Palm Sunday Procession and Parish Communion.	
	Communion by candlelight.	•	6.30 p.m: Evensong.	
Services in Holy Week: Please see page 3				
March 27:	8.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:	
Easter Day	Holy Communion. I I.00 a.m: Holy Communion	Holy Communion.	Parish Communion. 6.30p.m: Evensong	

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
April 3:	II.00 a.m: Holy	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:
Easter I	Communion	Village Service.	Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong

At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY except March 9: 9.20 a.m: Holy Communion.

March 9: 11.30 a.m: Holy Communion.

Every Thursday in Lent at Ryton: 6.30 p.m.: Stations of the Cross

Dates for your diary.

March 6: Mothering Sunday

March 20: Palm Sunday: Holy Week begins.

March 24: Maundy Thursday

March 25: Good Friday March 26: Holy Saturday March 27: Easter Day.

Mothering Sunday: March 6th

We shall be celebrating Mothering Sunday with a service of **Family Communion** at **11.00 a.m.** Posies of flowers will be available for children to give to their mothers/carers.

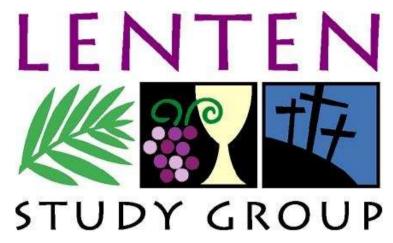
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SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK				
Date	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton	
March 21 Monday in Holy Week			7.30 p.m: Holy Communion	
March 22 Tuesday in Holy Week			7.30 p.m. Stations of the Cross With Pergolesi's Stabat Mater, sung by Barbara Marsh	
March 23 Wednesday in Holy Week			9.20 a.m: Holy Communion 7.30 p.m: Tenebrae (A service of shadows)	
March 24 Maundy Thursday			8.00 p.m: Commemoration of the Last Supper: Holy Communion, followed by The Watch.	
March 25 Good Friday		I0.30 a.m: (at Baginton) Devotional service for Good Friday, led by the Revd. Penny Hughes	I 0.00 a.m: Children's Good Friday Workshop, followed by Family Service 7.30 p.m: Good Friday Liturgy	
March 26			8.00 p.m:	
Holy Saturday			Easter Vigil	
March 27: Easter Day	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion II.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong	

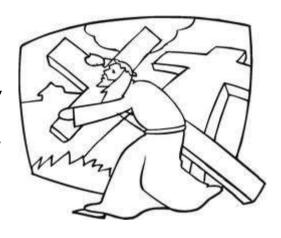
Lent is a penitential time, when we can reflect on our shortcomings and make ourselves ready for Easter. For this year's Lent Course, we are looking at some of the Psalms, using a York Course called: 'The Psalms - prayers for today's church', with audio contributions by a number of well-known clergy and broadcasters. The sessions are well put together and are provoking lively discussion.



The Lent Course meetings are taking place on Monday evenings in Ryton Church centre, starting with a cup of tea or coffee at 7.30 p.m. The sessions will finish by 9.00 p.m. There are five sessions in all, but do feel free to come to any of them.

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.



Good Friday Workshop, March 25th, 10.00 - 11.30 am, in the Ryton Church Centre

Everyone is invited, young and old, to join us in activities associated with the Easter story. We will be cooking, colouring, glueing, flower arranging and constructing an Easter Garden - and of course there will be Hot Cross buns!! Come and be part of the fun! The workshop will be followed by a short, child-friendly service in church.

From the Church Register.

On February 4th at St Giles' Church, the Funeral of Pam Lloyd.

May she rest in peace.



Lunch, tea, breakfast.... Do they never stop eating?

March 12: If you don't feel like organising lunch, why not go round to St. Leonard's Church, Ryton?

Soup & Puds Lunch at St Leonards Saturday 12 March



Soup & Roll, Pudding plus tea, coffee or squash £5 (children £3)



For your Diary: April 17: Afternoon Tea: "Regal in Ryton"



Advance Notice: In aid of Action Research: afternoon tea in **RYTON** Village Hall on Sunday 17th of April.

It will be called 'Regal in Ryton' and tickets will be £6 and available in March.

Breakfast in BUBBENHALL Village Hall.

First Saturday in the month, from 9.00 – 11.00 a.m.

Full English £5.00, or bacon/sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee- priced per item.

Proceeds in aid of St. Giles' Church.



Angela Greenway and Gill Green hope to welcome even more of you on Saturday, March 5th and Saturday, April 2nd Do come along and bring your friends!

Many thanks to Angela, Craig, Gill, and all those who are helping them in this popular venture.

Flowers in church

No Flowers in Lent.

Donations for Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones may be made to Jackie Lloyd. The church will be open for decorating on Saturday, March 26, or by arrangement with Jackie Lloyd.

Jackie would also welcome offers to arrange flowers in church during the rest of the year- perhaps on a date that is special for you and your family?

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 before Evensong on April 10. Meeting starts at 5.30 p.m. 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 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.

Children in church.



Although we do not at present have the resources to run regular services for children at Bubbenhall, we love having children in our churches, and there is always provision for them at the 9.30 a.m. services at Ryton.

All families with babies and children are sure of a warm welcome whenever they can join us. All Ryton Sunday morning services start at 9.30 a.m., and the pattern is:

2nd Sunday in every month: Village Worship.

The most informal of all our services.

We start in the Church Centre (warm and welcoming) with workshop activities for children, and coffee, puzzles and chat for grown-ups to get to know one another. At about 10.00 we move into church for a short and child-centred service.

There is no need to be there on the dot of 9.30- people drift in as soon as they can make it.

4th Sunday in every month: Family Service.

An all-age service of readings, songs and activities with everybody young and old in church together.

Children always participate in the readings/ drama sketches etc. and several people bring instruments to accompany the songs. (and any other musicians among you and your children would be very welcome to join them)

Tea/coffee and cake after the service in the Church Centre.

Ist and 3rd Sundays in every month: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Tea/coffee and the chance to socialise after every service. Children start the service in church with their parents, and after the first hymn go out for Sunday School activities in the Church Centre, returning to receive a blessing at the time of Communion. Parents are welcome to accompany their little ones to Sunday School and stay with them if they lack confidence at first.

Families from Bubbenhall are especially welcome at all these services.

At these services, we also have a robed choir which includes older children (aged about 8

and upwards) and teenagers: anyone whose son/daughter likes singing might consider encouraging them to join the choir. If your son/daughter might like to be part of the choir, please contact Barbara Marsh, our choir mistress on geoffandba@gmail.com (tel. 02476 304295)





Fun at Village Worship, February 14 2016

Thank you to Thom and Suzi Bargewell for the photos.











Village Worship- for all ages!



We also offer the opportunity for children and young people to train to become altar servers at the Parish Communion services at both Bubbenhall and Ryton. Contact Rosemary on rbking007@btinternet.com (tel 01788 573067) about this. We value children, and make them and their parents welcome.

Tuesday February 9: Puzzles and Pancakes.



Our annual quiz for Shrovetide was very much enjoyed by all who attended, including a team from Bubbenhall: Many thanks to David and Frances for devising the questions and providing prizes, as well as acting as quizmaster and cook. Some of us found the questions a bit of a challenge, but everyone agreed that the pancakes were superb.

£169, (some of which was Gift-Aided) was raised for US (formerly USPG)- the oldest of the Missionary Societies.

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

Scientists are very excited about gravitational waves. They were predicted by the great theoretical physicist Albert Einstein more than 100 years ago, and now they have been detected. We are told that this discovery will completely change the way we think about the universe, but I suspect it won't – after all, for many years, scientists have been assuming that gravitational waves existed even though nobody had found any.

And the rest of us, if we bother to look up gravitational waves on Wikipedia, will find stuff like this:

$$P = \frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{32}{5} \frac{G^4}{c^5} \frac{(m_1 m_2)^2 (m_1 + m_2)}{r^5}$$

As we can't make head nor tail of that, it's not likely to make us change our way of thinking. Anyway, gravity seems to be pretty much as it always has been – we haven't suddenly started floating about.

However, Prof. Michio Kaku, of the City College in New York, says that eventually "We should be at the brink of being able to test for the impossible, that is, the world before the big bang", to get back to before time and space existed, before the universe came into being. Will we be able to prove the existence of God?

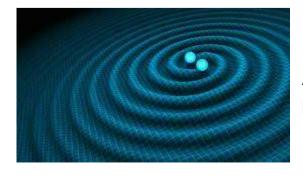
Well, not exactly. Professor Kaku thinks that what we will find will be another universe that existed before our universe, which by some process currently not understood had a baby – and that baby is our universe.

Science can tell us a lot about reality, but not everything. When I am with someone I love, that person is far and away the most real thing in the room. The walls and the ceiling and the floor are there all right, but they don't really register with me. Reality for me in that moment is not something that can be explained by physics. If that person were to die, then what endured of them would be the memories that I cherish. Love does not die. If I knew them totally and loved them perfectly, then it would be as if they had never died; they would live on in me.

Jesus, the night before he was to die on the Cross, said this: "Father, I desire that these also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world."

So if Jesus is right and if I am right, then love existed before creation, and it will continue to exist when time and space are no more.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."



An artist's impression of gravitational waves generated by binary neutron stars. (Illustration: NASA/R. Hurt/Caltech-IPL)

Ryton History Group.

We meet on the fourth Friday of every month from 7.30-9.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Details from **Steve Garrett 76639228 or Ann 76302695**

Lent Lunches at Baginton

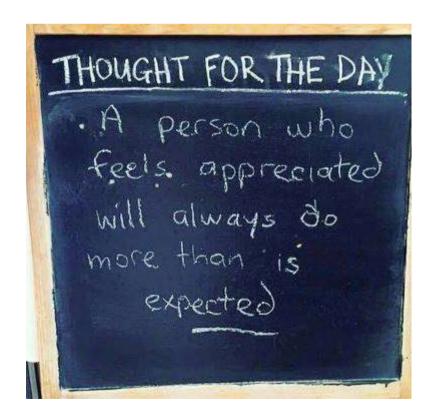
Lent Lunches will be taking place every Tuesday in Lent, starting at 12.30 p.m. Cost: £3.50. Profits for Church funds. Details below:

Lunches begin at 12.30pm and cost £3.50 per person

They are very informal gatherings with a chance for a chat and a catch-up while raising funds for the Church. Please do come and support these events, and bring a friend \odot Any further details Sue 76307255

<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	
I st March	Lucy Price House Church Rd, Baginton	
8 th March	The Old Rectory, Church Rd, Baginton	
15 th March	Baginton Village Hall	
22 nd March	Baginton Village Hall	

Tailpiece:



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- Rosemary's email is rbking007@btinternet.com. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, but aren't yet on the recipients' list, please just get in touch.

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