

## CALENDAR

### Sunday 24th March

**8.00am** Pram Service

**9.00am** Said Eucharist

**10.30am** Parish Eucharist

**6.30pm** CTiC Lent Service St James'

### Monday 25th March

**9.00am** Morning prayer

### Tuesday 26th March

**9.00am** Morning prayer

**9.30am** Holy Molies

**10.30am** Silver Socials

### Wednesday 27th March

**9.00am** Morning prayer

**6.30-8.30pm** Vocations Fair

**7.45pm** Surviving Lent

### Thursday 28th March

**9.00am** Morning prayer

**12.30pm** Lunchtime Eucharist followed by simple lunch

### Friday 29th March

**9.00am** Morning prayer

### Sunday 31st March

**8.00am** Pram Service

**9.00am** Said Eucharist

**10.30am** Parish Eucharist

**6.30pm** Meditation

**6.30pm** CTiC Lent Service Orthodox church at St Peters

## This year's Lent Course

### "SURVIVING LENT"

**How to survive the wilderness moments in our lives.**

Continuing on  
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS  
7.45-9.15pm

This week only it will be held at the vicarage, 15 Elms Road

**Supper provided**

For more info speak to Mtr Ruth

## ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET ... BAKE!



**CAKE SALE**

**NEXT SUNDAY**

In support of victims  
Cyclone Idai

**CTiC Sunday Evening Lent Services on theme of Poverty all at 6.30pm**

**Today 24th March** St James' Church speaker Alison Inglis Jones on Foodbanks

**Sunday 31st March** Orthodox Church at St Peters speaker from Christian Aid

**Sunday 7th April** St Paul's Church Clare Balboni on Ultra Poverty in Bangladesh

Please support our local **food bank** they particularly need: Longlife milk, tinned fruit, laundry tabs & tinned meat.

Please place donations in the box at back of church



## Please pray for

Heidi Bell, Jane Bell, Albert Bell, Sara Carter, Ruby Mitchell, Enzo Saunt, Bernard Maciejko, Jane Taylor, Christine Bostic, Rosemary Nutt & Linda Parker  
**RIP** Mike Lovick & Patrick Collier

## NOTICES

A big **thank you** to Rev Caroline Clark, our Area Dean for taking the services today.

**Parish Administrator** We are looking for a new Parish Administrator please see website for more information or speak to Mtr Ruth or Sara

**Confirmation Classes** will be starting after Easter, if you are interested in being prepared or just want to come along to learn speak to Mtr Ruth

**Electoral Roll** As part of the church's 6 yearly timetable we need to prepare a completely new Electoral Roll, please fill in a form at the back of church whether you are already on it or wish to join.

**Knitting Group** meets next week on Thursday 28th, 7pm, 17 Elms Road

# MOTHERING SUNDAY

Mothering each other

Mothering our community

Mothering our world

**Sunday 31st March**

**10.30am**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

Service followed by a cake sale in support of victims of Cyclone Idai



# EASTER

at **HOLY SPIRIT**



## April 14 Palm Sunday

10.15am Procession with Palms  
meet outside Bonneville School at 10am  
10.30am Eucharist with Passion Drama

## April 16 Passover Supper 7.30pm in Church

## April 18 Maundy Thursday

8pm Eucharist of Last Supper with Footwashing  
then silent prayer  
10.30pm Night Prayer

## April 19 Good Friday

10am Family Workshop  
12noon Stations of the Cross  
1pm Mass with Veneration of the Cross  
2pm Meditations on the Cross

## April 21 Easter Day

5.00 am Dawn Service with Lighting of Easter Fire  
10.30 am Festival Mass

### CONTACTS

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## Holy Spirit



## Sunday 24th March Third Sunday of Lent

### WELCOME

Sunday School (from Reception age upwards) during term time & crèche all year round. For LARGE print hymn & service books ask the sidespeople. There is a loop system; please adjust the setting of your personal hearing aid.

### JOIN IN

Please come to the Lord's table: whether or not you are used to receiving communion. We gather as members of God's family to receive bread & wine or a blessing.

**Please stay for a drink & a chat after the service**

### SUPPORT

Thank you for supporting Holy Spirit. You can make your donation even more valuable by allowing us to reclaim the tax on your gift. Just fill in your details on the front of the Yellow Envelopes.

**THANK YOU!**

### READINGS

**Isaiah 55:1-13** Repentance means returning to the Lord, turning from our own ways back to God's. This is not for God's benefit for our own. To human beings repentance is transactional: if I repent my sins I will receive in return God's forgiveness. But God reminds us: my ways are not your ways nor my thoughts your thoughts: the snow and the rain water the earth regardless of whether they fall on the good or the evil. Life is not a transaction it is a relationship and fullness of life comes in a relationship with God.

**Luke 13:1-9** Jesus corrects the disciples' view that sin is rewarded by punishment and penitence by forgiveness. The fig tree should be cut down, it bears no fruit but the gardener will do everything for its growth, will give it more time and more care knowing that's its nature is to bear fruit. So God calls us back again and again giving us opportunity after opportunity to choose life.

Hymns: 702 127 794 652