



<b>Today</b>	Mass on YouTube	9.30 am
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Said Compline on Zoom	6.30 pm
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent, Pasientide begins</i>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Lent Course on Zoom	7.45 pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> March		
<b>Wednesday</b>	Staff Meeting on Zoom	9.00 am
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Organ Tuning	2.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Organ Teaching	4.00 pm
25 <sup>th</sup> March		
<b>Saturday</b>	Morning Prayer and Coffee on Zoom	10.45 am
27 <sup>th</sup> March		
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Service on Zoom	9.30 am
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Said Compline on Zoom	6.30 pm
<i>Palm Sunday</i>		
<b>Monday</b>	Said Compline on Zoom	8.00 pm
29 <sup>th</sup> March		
<i>Holy Week</i>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Organ Teaching	9.30 am and 5 pm
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Said Compline on Zoom	8.00 pm
<i>Holy Week</i>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	Staff Meeting on Zoom	9.00 am
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Said Compline on Zoom	8.00 pm
<i>Holy Week</i>		
<b>Thursday</b>	Service on Zoom	7.45 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Private Prayer in Church	9.00 pm
<i>Maundy Thursday</i>		
<b>Friday</b>	Stations of the Cross on Zoom	2.00 pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Children's Service on Zoom	4.00 pm
<i>Good Friday</i>		
<b>Saturday</b>	NB. No Morning Prayer and Coffee today	
3 <sup>rd</sup> April		
<i>Easter Eve</i>		

**Saturday Pathsweepers: 27<sup>th</sup> March – Skinner and Stewart**

## NOTICES

**Private Prayer and Public Worship:** Private Prayer will resume with the Watch before the Altar of Repose on Maundy Thursday, 9-10pm. Please book for this if you would like to come (see below). The car park will be open but the barrier will be in the closed position to discourage unauthorized users. Please return it to the closed position when you enter. Thereafter, public prayer will happen on Thursdays, 10am-12 noon and Sundays, 3-4.30pm (except 23<sup>rd</sup> May). It will not be necessary to book for these occasions.

Public worship will resume with the 9.30am Mass on Easter Day. (You may book now for this service). Thereafter, there will be an 11am Mass on Wednesdays and a 9.30am Mass on Sundays. It will be necessary to book for all services. Please do so in accordance with the following timings in order to be sure your request is received.

Email Joanne at [parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk](mailto:parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk) by 11am on Wednesday for the following Sunday, or by 12 noon on Monday for the following Wednesday. If you do not have email then phone Deborah on 01708 760485 by 6pm on Wednesday for the following Sunday, or by 12 noon on Monday for the following Wednesday.

**NB:** Joanne is taking leave between Monday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April. Please email and phone all booking requests during that week to [deborah.masterson@upminsterparish.co.uk](mailto:deborah.masterson@upminsterparish.co.uk)

It will not be possible to book more than a few days ahead for a service, but if a service is full one week, you will be given priority for a future week.

Please note that at present all the Covid protocols relating to worship in church are as they were before this lockdown - i.e. hand sanitiser must be used on entry, you are invited to leave your details for Test and Trace, face coverings must be worn unless you are medically exempt, Communion will be brought to the pew and in one kind (bread) only, people must sit 2m apart from those not in their household or support bubble, no indoor socialising is permitted and any outdoor socialising must abide by whatever government restrictions are in place at the time. The Mass will be Said, with organ music on Sundays. At present amateur choirs are not permitted to sing; we do not yet know when this might change.

**Holy Week and Easter:** Short videos of hymns and prayers for Holy Week and Easter will be available on the St Laurence YouTube channel from Palm Sunday and Easter Day. If you do not have the internet and would appreciate a DVD of these videos, please contact Deborah Masterson by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

We also hope to produce a CD of the dramatised Passion Gospel reading for those who do not have the internet at home. If you would like a copy please contact Deborah Masterson.

A Holy Week poster from Churches Together in Upminster, Cranham and North Ockendon is enclosed which you may wish to display in your window during Holy Week. The bottom section can be folded behind the poster during Holy Week and then unfolded on Easter Day.

**APCM:** Due to uncertainty about the nature of restrictions in April, the PCC have decided to postpone the Annual Parochial Church Meeting again. It will now take place on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, in church, at 3pm. Further details will be given in due course.

**Revision of the Electoral Roll.** Due to the postponement of the APCM the closing date for the Electoral Roll has been extended to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April. If you would like an application form or have any questions, please email Joanne in the Parish Office or telephone Revd Susannah.

## FROM THE LECTIONARY

**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2021, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, PASSIONTIDE BEGINS**

**Morning worship:** Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

**Evening worship:** Exodus 7:8-24

**Collect of the day:** Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021, PALM SUNDAY**

**Morning worship:** Isaiah 50:4-9a; Mark 15:1-39

**Evening worship:** Isaiah 5:1-7

**Collect of the day:** Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The following weekday lectionary can be used in conjunction with the booklet 'Worship at Home' if you wish to use different readings each day, along with the collect, where applicable, specific to the day.*

**MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH,**

**Morning worship:** Psalm 73; Jeremiah 21:1-10; John 11:28-44

**Evening worship:** Psalm 26; Exodus 8:1-19; Hebrews 11:17-31

**TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 35; Jeremiah 22:1-5, 13-19; John 11:45-end

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 61; Exodus 8:20-end; Hebrews 11:32 – 12:2

**WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH,** *Walter Hilton, mystic, 1396; Paul Couturier, priest, ecumenist, 1953; Oscar Romero, archbishop, martyr, 1980*

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 55; Jeremiah 22:20 – 23:8; John 12:1-11

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 85; Genesis 3:8-15; Galatians 4:1-5

**THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 111; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Romans 5:12-end

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 131; Isaiah 52:1-12; Hebrews 2:5-end

**Collect of the day:** We beseech you, O Lord, pour your grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH,** *Harriet Mansell, founder of the Community of St John the Baptist, 1883*

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 22; Jeremiah 24; John 12:20-36a

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 31; Exodus 10; Hebrews 13:1-16

## **SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 23; Jeremiah 25:1-14; John 12:36b-end

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 130; Exodus 11; Hebrews 13:17-end

## **MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, HOLY WEEK**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 41; Lamentations 1:1-12a; Luke 22:1-23

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 25; Lamentations 2:8-19; Colossians 1:18-23

**Collect of the day:** Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, HOLY WEEK**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 27; Lamentations 3:1-18; Luke 22:39-53

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 55:13-24; Lamentations 3:40-51; Galatians 6:11-end

**Collect of the day:** *Use the Collect for Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March above.*

## **WEDNESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, HOLY WEEK**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 102; Jeremiah 11:18-20; Luke 22:54-end

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 88; Isaiah 63:1-9; Revelation 14:18 – 15:4

**Collect of the day:** *Use the Collect for Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March above.*

## **THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 42; Leviticus 16:2-24; Luke 23:1-25

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 39; Exodus 11; Ephesians 2:11-18

**Collect of the day:** *Use the Collect for Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March above.*

## **FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL, GOOD FRIDAY**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 69; Genesis 22:1-18; Hebrews 10:1-10

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 130; Lamentations 5:15-end; Colossians 1:18-23

**Collect of the day:** Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL, EASTER EVE**

**Morning prayer:** Psalm 142; Hosea 6:1-6; John 2:18-22

**Evening prayer:** Psalm 116; Job 19:21-27; 1 John 5:5-12

**Collect of the day:** Grant, Lord, that we who are baptized into the death of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ may continually put to death our evil desires and be buried with him; and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass to our joyful resurrection; through his merits, who died and was buried and rose again for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

### **Special concern:**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** Pat Silverlock, Pam, Hayden Keeling, Stewart Ranson, Alan Evens, Annie Phillips, Doris Harding, Revd David Sherwood, Pat Harding, Dennis and Rosemary Watkins.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Edgar Iffland, Michael McSweeney, Lorna Wells, Jean Clements, Poppy and Thomas, Katie Louise Tape, Ellen Stone, Kathleen Jones, Daniel, Jeffrey.

### **Long term concern:**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March:** John Herbert, Jean Biggs, Betty McAteer, Penny Hale, Denise Comer, Margaret Turner, Christine Coleman.

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** Alison Jervis, Ann Gospage, Ivy Oliver, Freya Risdon, Rosalind Manley, Diane Taylor.

**Those who would normally receive Holy Communion at home:**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Pauline Wheeler and other residents of Freshfields Home, Phyllis Knight.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March:** Margaret Roome, Jean Cant, Dorothy Sykes, Vera Richards, Brenda Taylor.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** N/A.

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** N/A.

**Those recently departed:** Sheila Sharp, Arthur Tawse.

**Anniversaries of the departed:**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Margaret Reading, Freda Soko, Hilda King, Evelyn Metson, Stanley Matthews, Janet Vigers, Norman Vigers, Jean Bond, Philip Norledge, Ruth Cross, Rachel Piper, Frances Martin, Keith Hall, Pauline Wallen.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Stanley Matthews, Janet Vigers, Norman Vigers, Jean Bond, Philip Norledge, Ruth Cross, Rachel Piper, Frances Martin, Keith Hall, Pauline Wallen, Ronald Green, Margaret Brereton, Diana Norledge, Iris Stewart, Marion Gunary, Don Mowat, Krystyna Wojtecka.

**Please remember those who mourn.**

**Other prayers:**

Give thanks that in today's world we are able to recognise and support vulnerable people so they may lead independent lives and contribute to the society we live in.

Remember those who are afraid to reach out for help and continue to suffer alone.

Pray that within everyday life we can all find gentle ways to educate against prejudice and work for a world free of discrimination.

Give thanks for those who have gone before us and whose lives demonstrated a humble seeking after God.

Remember to look toward Jesus and The Cross for strength and courage.

Pray in hope and in love for God's kingdom to be established in you today and to remain in you always.

## NOTICES CONTINUED

**New Bishop of Chelmsford:** On 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the Rt Rev Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani was confirmed as the new Bishop of Chelmsford at an online service led by the Archbishop of Canterbury. This means she is now legally our new Diocesan Bishop although she will not begin her ministry here until 19th April. Please continue to pray for her and her family, and for Bishop Peter, Bishop of Barking who continues to have oversight of the Diocese in the meantime.

**British Summer Time** begins at 2am on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Don't forget to put you clocks on 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

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### TIME FOR GOD PRAYER DIARY

If you would like to receive the monthly 'Time for God Prayer Diary' which includes daily readings and prayer intentions, or would like further information regarding it, please email Joanne in the Parish Office. If you would like to suggest any content for use in the Prayer Diary, please contact Nick Butler at nickbutlerupm@gmail.com or phone him on 07792123630.