



**Sunday 23rd March 2025**  
@ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



**The Vicar writes:**

The new life and energy of Spring is finally upon us, and I'd like to encourage you to spring into action as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. We are planning a united service and lunch for Palm Sunday (13 April) - please sign up to bring a salad or pudding. Suggested donation £5 adult/£1 child payable on the day. We will be giving the church and church room a spring clean on the morning of Saturday 12 April, and putting up the marquee for the summer - please put the date in your diaries. Finally, don't forget to complete your Electoral Roll application form - must be in by 13 April.

yours in Christ,  
Graham

March  
**23rd**

**Lent 3- Do not judge**

Bible readings: 2 Sam 12.1-13, Mt 7.1-6  
 9.30am Sunday Praise: Can. Michael Sansom  
 11.00am Holy Communion: Can. Michael Sansom  
 5.00pm Prayer & Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton  
 7.00pm 14-18's in Church room.

St Mary's

11.00am Bible Readings: Rom 8.18-25, Mt 6.25-34  
 Holy Communion- Rev Graham Hamilton.

24 Mon

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom  
 6.30pm Wise Guys in Bovey Youth Cafe

25 Tue

1.30pm Easter Experience: Bovey Primary school visit

26 Wed

10.00am Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton  
 1.30pm 'Welcome Wednesday' in the Church Room

27 Thu

7.00am Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room  
 9.30am Ladies' Sewing group in the Church Room  
 11.00am Memorial service for Mrs Ann Hassell

28 Fri

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom  
 10.00am Friday Friends group in the Church Room  
 7.30pm Walking the Way in the Church Room

29 Sat

6.00pm Ladies Game Night at Rora House, Liverton

**30th**

**Mothering Sunday: Good Gifts.**

**PPT**

Bible reading: 1 Jn 3.1-10, Mt 7.7-12  
 9.30am Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton  
 11.00am Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton  
 5.00pm Prayer & Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton

St Mary's

11.00am Bible reading: 2 Sam 12.1-13, Mt 7.1-6  
 Morning Worship: Canon Michael Sansom

Please join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9.00am on Mondays and Fridays. It lasts no more than half an hour. It's simple to join: just click [here](#) to join Morning Prayer, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and Passcode: 102020

**New to PPT?** We email this bulletin every week (with working hyper-links) to the members of the Church Family Roll. If you would like to receive this, to join the electoral roll, or find out more what it means to be part of the church family, then please complete a "Connect" card in church, or email [office@pptbovey.church](mailto:office@pptbovey.church)

**Our Mission focus for March is Leprosy Mission.**

A cure for Leprosy has been available since 1982 but while treatment stops leprosy progressing it can't reverse disability, but the expertise of the Leprosy Mission can restore a clawed hand or damaged eyelid with surgery, and heal ulcers with effective treatment. However, some disabilities are too severe to be treated.

Leprosy is mainly spread by moisture droplets passed through the air from someone who has leprosy but has not started treatment; it is not hereditary. It usually takes years of being close to an untreated person to catch the disease. 95% of people are thought to be naturally immune but immunity is lowered when there are poor living conditions, illness, poor nutrition, unclean water. The stigma of leprosy persists today and leads to rejection by families and communities and the loss of homes, jobs and hope.

All gifts in the collection plate or using Contactless go to our monthly mission focus. Gifts in yellow Gift Aid envelopes are for the general church funds.

**The Electoral Roll** is a list of every adult(16+) who regards themselves as a regular worshipping member of a parish church - whether they are able to attend church regularly, or would wish to if health allowed. Every six years all parishes in the Church of England are required to create a fresh electoral roll, so whether you completed form last year or six years ago, everyone now needs to complete a fresh form. At PPT and St Mary's Hennock we also ask some additional (voluntary) questions that help us understand our congregations, and we offer members a list of other members who are willing for their information to be shared locally. Please complete this form by Sunday 13 April.

**Ladies Game night at Rora:** Rora are holding a Ladies game night on March 29th from 6pm. It will be mainly board or card games and feel free to bring along your favourite game! Please bring some buffet snacks to share.

**Spring Clean Sat 12 April:** everyone is invited to come and spring-clean the church and church room on the morning of Saturday 12 April. We are planning to erect the marquee on the church room lawn (weather permitting) in preparation for the Palm Sunday united service and lunch on Sun 13 April.

**Interim Youth Worker:** The PCC has agreed to advertise for an interim youth worker, using the current job description, to sustain our youth work until a full review of the work and consultation with other local churches is completed. Further details available from Graham. Applications close Sunday 30 March.

**Church Room Cleaner:** The Church Room is used several times a day by many different groups from the church and the community. Cheryl Newport has been cleaning the church room in a very efficient and cheerful manner since 2020, but now wants to step down. If you are interested in cleaning the church room twice a week, so that it is presentable for all the different groups, please contact the Vicar. The role is paid at £12.21 per hour for 6 hours a week.

**Catechism Question: What did Jesus Christ do?**

A: Jesus Christ suffered, died and rose from the dead to pay the price for our sins. (Isaiah 53.5, 1 Peter 2.24)

**Prayer List:** John Ayre, Robbie Beauchamp, Judy Bowen, Michael Brown, Nina Coleby-Clarke, Betty Dewart, Hilary Ellery, Peter Francis, Barry Jarvis, Rachel Knightly, Noah Maynard, Mathew Percy, Ronald Percy, George Smith, Rose Tyrrell.

**In Memory:** Ann Hassell

### **Third Sunday of Lent**

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;  
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.

### **Study Questions: Matthew 7.1-6**

Look at Luke 6.27-37 and compare it with Matthew 5.43-7.6. What is missing from Luke 6 (hint: a whole chapter?) and notice that Luke 6.36-37 parallels Matthew 5.48 followed by 7.1. There is one small difference between Matt 5.48 and Luke 6.36. Do those two features help us to interpret the instruction that we should not judge in case we too are judged?

What do you think Jesus means by 'do not judge'? Isn't judgement hard-wired into our everyday life and essential simply for survival and also for social cohesion?

How does verse 1 fit with verse 6? And how might it relate to Matthew 23, where Jesus repeatedly says 'Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites...'? Or with Acts 5.1-10 (Ananias and Sapphira), Acts 8.9-25 (Simon the Sorcerer) and Acts 13.6-12 (Elymas)?

So what sort of judgement do you think Jesus is talking about? Can you think of particular scenarios where we fall into the trap of indulging in the sort of judging that Jesus had in mind.

What is the antidote to that kind of judging?

When Jesus says 'you too will be judged', who do you think he has in mind as doing the judging?

How might that apply to our judgements about people in the public eye and the news – eg President Putin, President Trump, Mr Netanyahu – or indeed anyone else?

**Mon 24 Mar Ps 5, Jeremiah 11.1-17** Pray for those in countries where there is war remembering especially those in the Middle East and Ukraine. Pray for those trying to make peace that they would act with integrity, wisdom and patience.

**Tue 25 Mar: Ps 111, 1 Samuel 2.1-10**  
National Day of Prayer about the Assisted Dying Bill. Pray also for the Bovey Primary School visit to church for the "Easter Experience"

**Wed 26 Mar: Ps 38, Jeremiah 13.1-11** Give thanks that despite historic opposition the Bible still remains and transforms lives and give thanks for all who faithfully preach the gospel of hope. Praise God that bible sales among young people have risen by 87% in the last year!

**Thur 27 Mar: Ps 56, Jeremiah 14**  
Pray for the family of Ann Hassell, whose memorial service is held in church today

**Fri 28 Mar: Ps 22, Jeremiah 15.10-end**  
For the Walking the Way Course continuing this evening.

**Sat 29 Mar: Ps 31, Jeremiah 16.10-17.4** Pray that the Leprosy Mission will be successful and receive the funding to bring hope, health and a future to the forgotten people in the region of Odisha India.

**Sun 30 March Ps 34.11-20, Exodus 2.1-10** Pray that God would bless all grandmothers, mothers and step-mothers and all mother like figures in our lives and pray that for all those longing to be mothers God would bring them comfort.

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*For full listings of PCC officers and members, see the termly bulletin.*

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