

# Sunday 2 April 2023 @ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



The vicar writes:

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday. The story of Jesus' sufferings, death and resurrection is the central and solemn focus of our faith. Even if you do not have a regular pattern of daily prayer and bible reading, try this week to read and pray each day - there are readings in the prayer diary on p.3 or join one of the midweek services. The joy of Easter is diminished if we do not journey with Jesus through the Garden to the Cross.



yours in Christ, Graham

April 2 Sun		Palm Sunday: Covered by the Cross Bible Readings: Exodus 11.1-12.36, 1 Cor.5.1-13
St Mary's	9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	Sunday Praise (all age HC): Rev Graham Hamilton Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton Prayer and Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton.  Bible readings: Exodus 8.20-10.29, Hebrews.3.7-15
St Mary 5	11.00am	Morning Prayer: Mrs Carolyn Laycock.
3 Mon	9.00am 12.30pm	Morning Prayer Zoom -Rev Graham Hamilton Friendship Lunch at Stover Golf Club
4 Tue 5 Wed	9.00am 10am	Morning Prayer Zoom -Rev Graham Hamilton Holy Communion in Church
o wea	7.30pm	Monthly Prayer Meeting: Church Room & on Zoom
6 Thu	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion in Church: Mrs Carolyn Laycock Prayer Watch until 10pm
7 Fri	9.00am	Good Friday Morning Prayer Zoom -Rev Graham Hamilton
St Mary's PPT	12 noon 6pm	Hour at the Cross: Rev Graham Hamilton Good Friday service: Rev Graham Hamilton
8 Sat	10am	Holy Saturday Easter Trail in Mill Marsh Park
9 Sun		Easter Sunday: Crossing from death to Life bible readings: Exodus 13.17-14.31, Matt 28.1-7.
PPT	9.30am	Easter Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton.  1 of 4

11.00am Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton.

5.00pm Prayer and Praise (HC): Rev Graham Hamilton.

St Mary's Bible Readings: Exodus 13.17-14.31, Matt 28.1-7

11.00am Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom

Click here to join Morning Prayer on Zoom, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and

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## Mission Focus for April is the Leprosy Mission

This year the Leprosy mission is focusing on Bangladesh. In the tea gardens there, leprosy is more common than anywhere else in the world. Among the 600,000 people living here, almost every family is affected by the disease, including children. Together we must take the cure to these communities before leprosy devastates lives. Please pray

- Thank God that The Leprosy Mission has been able to find so many new people affected by leprosy and bring them the cure
  - Pray that people would get the medical care they need before the leprosy becomes too severe so that they will still be able to provide for their families
  - Pray that the Leprosy Mission would find and cure many people with leprosy in the tea gardens in 2023

All gifts in the collection plate this month go to The Leprosy Mission

**Coronation Weekend Plans:** we are looking for volunteers to co-ordinate local events for the Coronation weekend (6-8 May), in particular to assess if there is enough interest to offer a screening of the Coronation in the Church Room on Sat 7 May, or to co-ordinate a Big Coronation Lunch after the 10.30am United Service on Sunday 7 May. Please speak to Graham or the wardens to discuss.

## **Spree South West:** https://www.spreesw.org/

Friday 23rd- Sunday 25th June 2023 at Westpoint Arena. Suitable for ages 8-17 years. £75 for the weekend to include camping, activities, groups and food (PPT are covering the cost of the food!) . Speak to Rosie for more details and booking code.

**Electoral Roll:** if you are a regular worshipper at PPT and are not yet on the Electoral Roll, please complete a form by 2 May. You will be eligible to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (on Sat 20 May). The number of electoral roll members also determines the number of representatives at Deanery Synod.

**Congregational Survey:** if you did not receive or complete the congregational survey on the Prayers of Love & Faith last week, please do so today.

**#Compelled to Resist:** the Church of England Evangelical Council (CEEC) invites all who are concerned about the direction of travel in the Church of England to sign their <u>#Compelled to Resist declaration</u>, using this link, or the QR code here.



## **Sewing & Craft Group**

Dawn is thinking about running a weekly sewing/craft group in the church room. Please speak to her if you are interested. (<u>dawnhamilton2@mac.com</u>)

# **Collect for Palm Sunday**

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.

**Prayer List:** Alex Abercrombie, Mary Bambridge, Kathleen Ennor, Jacob Goulden, Libby Markham, Ruth Parnell, Ann Sammons, Laura Smith, Cilla Turner, Helen Wray

In Memory: Michael Ilieve

Study Questions: Icebreaker: How do you make Easter special in your family?

Read Exodus 11.1-12.36

What is different about the 10th Plague on the First-born? Who is at risk? (Ex11.7, 12.13) Is it just or fair of God to act thus? (see Ex 4.23)

## Mon 3 Apr Ps 41, Lamentations 1.1-12a

Pray for the Friendship Lunch club meeting today at Stover Golf Course, for renewed fellowship and Christian encouragement.

## Tue 4 Apr Ps.27, Lamentations 3.1-18

Give thanks for the Community food hub, Citizen's Advice link and warm space each Tuesday at the Methodist church and pray that many would find the practical help and company they need.

#### Wed 5 April: Ps 102, Jeremiah 11.18-20

Pray for the work of Leprosy Mission among tea pickers in Bangladesh, and pray that those infected may be quickly diagnosed and treated.

# Thu 6 April: Maundy Thursday Ps. 42, Leviticus 16.2-24

Give thanks for the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and pray that we might value and rightly receive the bread and wine with faith in Jesus Christ our passover lamb.

# Fri 7 April: Good Friday Ps. 69, Genesis 22.1-18

Give thanks for the one perfect sacrifice of Christ upon the cross, and pray that Christians might remember and participate in the observance of Holy Week.

#### Sat 8 April Holy Saturday Ps 142, Hosea 6.1-6

Pray for the Family Easter Trail in Mill Marsh park this morning, and pray that families and children might discover the story of Jesus for themselves and put their faith in him

#### Sun 9 April:Easter Sunday Ps. 136.1-9,23-end, Exodus 15 1b-13,17-18

Give thanks for Christ's victory over sin and death, and pray that we might find our true identity in Christ. Pray that many more would discover the hope of forgiveness and eternal life.

What must the people of Israel do to be protected from destruction? (Ex 12.3-11, 21-23)

Why is the narrative of the first Passover mixed up with instructions for subsequent observation? (note especially 12.14-20, 24-27)

Why do future generations need to observe the feasts of passover & unleavened bread?

Why do the Egyptians give treasure to Israelites? (Compare 11.2 &12.35)

Read Lk 22.7-20. How does Jesus transform the Passover?

What does it mean to call Jesus our Passover (1 Cor 5.7), the Lamb of God (Jn 1.29, 1 Pet 1.18-19)

How might the institution of Passover and Unleavened bread challenge our observance of the Lord's Supper and Holy Week?

How should we as a church make more of Easter?

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