



The Parish of
St. Mary the Virgin in the Lace Market
Nottingham

Parish Notices – Sunday 18th March 2018 – Passion Sunday

10:45am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: Rev. Stephen Morris

Preacher: Canon Jack Higham

Morning Readings:

(Jeremiah 31 v31-34)

Hebrews 5 v5-10

John 12 v20-33

4:00pm Licensing of Rev. Tom Gillum

6:30pm No Evensong today

Collect:

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ hast 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui and The Most Revd Paul Kwong, Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for all retired Clergy and for Reg Walton, Chaplain to the Retired Clergy and Widows' Officer

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for Estelle Barks, Rev. Paul Watts, Debbie Butler, Harry Palmer, Daniel Hanson, Pauline Miller, Martyn Jewers, Gregory Jackson

Notices

A reminder that **there is no Evensong today**. Instead, at 4.00pm, the **Licensing service for Rev. Tom Gillum**, installing him as the new Vicar of St. Mary's, will take place. Please remember Tom and Joanna in your prayers as we look forward to this new stage in St Mary's life and ministry.

The New Parish Office: We continue to operate the Parish Office out of the St. Peter's office, with their cooperation and assistance, for which we are very grateful. We do, however, now have our own phone number to use when ringing about parish business: **07340 551 799**. The phone is normally answered **9AM to 1PM Monday to Friday**; messages can be left outside these hours.

Parish Giving: Thank you to everyone for your giving to St Mary's both financially and in many other ways. There has been a very positive response to the 'parish giving' letter sent out in January, for which we are most grateful. Nevertheless, we still need **an additional £10,000** to help meet our spending commitments throughout the year, so anything you can do to help us reach this goal would be appreciated. We are, for example, currently waiting for the return of a number of yellow standing order forms: if you could make sure that any outstanding forms are returned promptly, this would definitely help with budgeting and planning for our new parish.

Nottingham Workplace Chaplaincy INSIGHT Meeting: The next meeting is on Wednesday 21st March, at which you will be most welcome. **Julie Obermeyer**, Museum Officer and Curator of the William Booth Birthplace Museum will be giving a talk entitled 'A Local Lad Who Went Global' about William Booth, who was born in 1829 in Sneinton and went on to found the Salvation Army that now has 1.5 million members in 128 countries. There will also be an opportunity to tour the museum. The meeting will start at **noon in Notintone Place, Sneinton Road NG2 4QG**. A buffet lunch is provided. The meeting ends around 1.30pm. To help with the catering arrangements please email: **lensimmonds@aol.com** to confirm your attendance.

Good Housekeeping: We are grateful to the City Council who this week continued their program of minor repairs in the Churchyard, installing two new bins and repairing the bench seat at the east end.

Many Happy Returns: A reminder that next **Sunday March 25th** is **Palm Sunday** ...and also **Mandy Bradford's** 60th birthday. We would like you to stay behind after the morning service that day to celebrate with her. Celebratory refreshments will be provided. We meanwhile send Mandy all the best wishes for her special day, in advance.

Lent Talks at St. Peter's: Throughout Lent, there will be a series of talks at St. Peter's on the theme, "*Where were you when I needed you most? Seeing, reflecting, acting: our response to acute need in the community*". They take place each Wednesday at 1.00pm at St. Peter's Church (12.30pm for tea/coffee & sandwiches). This Wednesday (21st), the speaker will be **Alistair Paylor** from **Emmanuel House**. All are welcome.

Holy Week Concerts: On **Good Friday 30th March**, the Choir, St. Mary's Baroque Instrumental & Vocal Ensemble and the Chelys Consort of Viols will be performing Buxtehude's *Membra Jesu Nostri* (which translates as: *The Limbs of our Jesus*). It's a cycle of seven cantatas, each of which is addressed to a different part of Christ's crucified body: feet, knees, hands, sides, breast, heart, and face. In each part, biblical words referring to the limbs frame verses of the poem. It's considered to be the first Lutheran oratorio. This performance is **free**, but with **a retiring collection**.

The next day, **Holy Saturday 31st March**, the Choir and the 18th Century Sinfonia will be performing Handel's *Messiah*. Often considered a fixture of the Christmas season, this masterpiece was in fact originally written for performance in Dublin in April 1742, just 19 days after Easter. The text (by Charles Jennens) is in three parts - and only the first has to do with the birth of Jesus. The other two are all about Christ's death, resurrection, the sending of the Spirit at Pentecost, and the final resurrection of all believers. It's therefore a perfect addition to our Eastertide celebrations. Tickets are available from the **Nottingham Tourist Centre, Windblowers** or **on the door** and cost £15 (concession tickets at £13). See the parish website's calendar (<https://www.stmarynotts.org/calendar/>) for full details and contact numbers.

Future Services:

Wednesday 21 st	8:30am	Holy Communion
	6:15pm	Evensong
Thursday 22 nd	1:15pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 25 th	10:45am	Sung Eucharist
	6:30pm	Evensong

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