



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

Parish Notices – Sunday 25th March 2018 – Palm Sunday

10:45am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: Rev. Stephen Morris

Preacher: Rev. Tom Gillum

Morning Readings:

Mark 11 v1 – 11

Philippians 2 v5-11

6:30pm Evensong

Officiant: Rev. Stephen Morris

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Evening Readings:

Isaiah 5 v1-7

Mark 12 v1-12

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, who of thy tender love towards the world hast sent thy 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for The Most Rev. Suheil Dawani, Archbishop of Jerusalem; and for the entire Middle East.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

As we commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, please pray for the peace of that city and for all people of faith who see it as a spiritual home.

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

Photographer at Work: Please note that this morning's Palm Sunday procession and other parts of the service will be photographed. The intention is to use the images on the Parish website and as part of our continuing mission of outreach to the community. For the most part, we are hoping for back-of-the-head shots, but if you have any concerns about appearing in the photographs, please let the photographer (**Mark Olde-Olthof**) know at the time -or the Parish Administrator at any time (phone: **07340 551 799**).

Happy Birthday: A reminder that after this morning's service, the refreshments are a way of sharing in the celebrations of Mandy Bradford's 60th birthday. All are welcome to enjoy her special day.

Nottingham Workplace Chaplaincy INSIGHT Meeting: The next meeting is on Wednesday 18th April, at which you would be most welcome. Heather Mayfield, Chief Executive of Nottingham Castle Trust, will be giving insight into how the Castle and Grounds, Brewhouse Yard and the Caves will be brought together and transformed into a new visitor experience. The meeting will start at **noon** at the **Park Plaza Hotel** on **Maid Marian Way**. The meeting ends around 1:30pm.

Charity Shop Recruitment: All money made in the Emmanuel House Charity Shop is spent providing vital support for homeless and vulnerable adults in Nottingham and they are currently recruiting new volunteers. If you are interested, see the poster on the South Porch door for more details, then call **0115 9507140** or email volunteering@emmanuelhouse.org.uk.

Overseas Committee Easter Breakfast: The Overseas Committee will be holding their Easter Monday breakfast on April 2nd at Lina and Wilfred Morgan's house, at **48, Marshall Drive, Bramcote, NG9 3LD**, in aid of Mercy Ships (see <https://www.mercyships.org.uk/> for details). Feasting starts at 10:00am! You can indicate your attendance either by signing up on the sheet at the back of the Church, or by emailing keithmountford2@gmail.com. You are welcome to attend anyway, however, even if you haven't previously signed up or emailed.

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 Nostris* (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.

Post-Easter Opening Hours: The Church opening hours and the volunteer stewards will vary somewhat during the week after Easter Sunday as follows:

Monday 2nd April : 11:00am – 3:00pm (Paul Sibly)

Tuesday 3rd : 10:00am – 3:00pm (John Henson)

Wednesday 4th : 10:00am – 3:00pm (Howard Rogers)

Thursday 5th : 11:00am – 3:00pm (Chas Harriss)

Friday 6th : 10:00am – 3:00pm (Howard Rogers)

Saturday 7th : 10:00am – 3:00pm (Paul Sibly)

The named volunteers could do with some company that week, though: so if anyone would like to help them keep the Church an open and welcoming place for visitors during that week, please let Howard Rogers know in advance (**07340 551 799**) ...or please feel free to just turn up on the day!

Future Services:

Wednesday 28 th	8:30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 29 th	1:15pm	Holy Communion
	7:30pm	Thanksgiving for the Institution of the Lord's Supper
Friday 30 th	7:00pm	Good Friday: Buxtehude's <i>Membra Jesu Nostris</i>
Saturday 31 st	7:00pm	Holy Saturday: Handel's <i>Messiah</i>
Sunday 1 st	10:45am	Easter Day: Sung Eucharist (Celebrant: Rev. Stephen Morris Preacher: Rev. Tom Gillum)

Future Notices:

Any news, information or notices to be included in next week's notice sheet need to be submitted to Howard Rogers (hjr@stmarynotts.org) by Wednesday 28th March, please.

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