

## Looking ahead to Worship

<b>Wednesday 4 March</b> Jonah 3 Luke 11:29-32	10.00am	Holy Communion - CW	St Michael's
<b>Sunday 8 March</b> Genesis 12:1-4 John 3:1-17	9.45am	Holy Communion – CW (with groups)	St Michael's
	11.00am	God's Family @ Church	St Mary's
	6.30pm	Evensong	St John's
<b>Wednesday 11 March</b> Jeremiah 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28	10.00am	Holy Communion - CW	St Michael's
<b>Sunday 15 March</b> Exodus 17:1-7 John 4:5-42	9.00am	Breakfast@9	St Michael's
	9.30am	Holy Communion - CW	St John's
	11.00am	Holy Communion – CW (page 167)	St Mary's
<b>Wednesday 18 March</b> Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Matthew 5:17-19	10.00am	Holy Communion - CW	St Michael's
<b>Sunday 22 March</b> Mothering Sunday 1 Samuel 1:20-end	9.45am	Holy Communion (with groups)	St Michael's
	11.00am	Morning Worship	St Mary's
	3.00pm	Mother's Day Runaways	St Michael's
	6.30pm	Evensong	St John's

AAS\* - All age service, CW - Common Worship, BCP - Book Common Prayer

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# "The Newsletter" For MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

## Sunday 1 March 2020

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

#### Thoughts on Psalm 32 – Toby

Lent is a penitential season. A time for spiritual housecleaning when we examine our lives and ensure that we are still on track with God. This psalm reminds us of the joy of being able to come to God and confess and be made right with him. Is there an area in your life that needs attention? Read this psalm through slowly and bring it to God. And he is gracious and will forgive. Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven.

#### Today's Readings

**Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7**

**Matthew 4:1-11**

9.30am	Holy Communion – BCP - Heather	St John's
9.45am	All Age Worship – (no groups) Toby + AAW Service team	St Michael's
11.00am	Holy Communion BCP (Page279) - Paul	St Mary's

## "Benefice Away Day"

### 28th March

*booking details inside*



Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 9.00 – 12.00

Saturday 9.30 – 12.00

Free Wi-Fi available

**Prayers for the week** - Digby Close, Dukes Meadows, Dukes Park, Farriers Close. All who work in Martlesham Retail Park. We pray for the work and ministry of the Runway, for customers and volunteers and all who work to serve God through serving our community.

**Pray** for those who have no work to go to

**Pray** that we do not forget to love and understand our neighbours.

**Pray for those** who have recently experienced bereavement

**Pray for those who are lonely** who don't often see their family and friends

**Pray for those who need support** and for those giving them support.

**Pray for the opening and smooth running of the "Pop up Shop"**, next opening on the Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March

**Pray for the people of China and the world**, who are affected by the Coronavirus.

### **Up Coming Diary Events**

**Monday 2 March** Monday Afternoon Bible Study Group, 1.00pm for 1.45pm at St Michael's

**Tuesday 3 March** - Tuesday Evening Bible Study Group - Lent Studies Unity in Diversity - 7.45pm at 74 Heathfield, Martlesham Heath

**Sunday 8 March** – Pop up Shop 1.00pm at St Michael's

**Monday 9 March** – Bright Stars 10.30am St Michael's

**Saturday 14 March** – Spring fayre – 10.00-noon, St Michael's

**Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>** – Groups usage of Data base, 19:30 St Michael's

**Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup>** – Groups usage of Data base, 15:30 St Michael's

**Saturday 21 March** - Men's Breakfast 9.00am The Douglas Bader

**Monday 23 March** - Bright Stars 10.30am St Michael's

**Saturday 28 March** – Benefice Away Day, 10.00-4.00pm Felixstowe

### **What's happening around the Parishes**

**Mothers' Union:** - Next meeting, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2 :30pm at St Michael's Church Centre. The Speaker, Lucy Melamphy will talk about "The New Wolsey Theatre" all most welcome. Contact; Mary 01473 623 752

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study Group - Lent Studies** - Over the next five weeks the Tuesday evening Bible Study Group will be following the Lent study from USPG entitled "Living with a World of Difference" which celebrates the diversity of the Anglican communion. Each study will feature stories from around the world with bible readings, questions, discussions and prayers. We meet each Tuesday evening through Lent with the following schedule.

Week 1 Unity in Diversity - 7.45pm 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 74 Heathfield

Week 2 Understanding each other by walking together - 7.45pm 10<sup>th</sup> March at 11 Squires Lane

**Lent Study @ The Rectory.** On Thursday evenings through lent, the Thursday evening homegroup at the Rectory would like to invite anyone to join us for a lent special study using the film 'I Daniel Blake'. We meet at 7.45 for tea and chat, and study from 8 - 9.30. Whether you're new to homegroups, or simply want to come for lent, please join us as we learn together. No prior knowledge needed or assumed. We start on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February. More details from Toby or Tamsin.

**Welcome team.** Could you help our great team to welcome people to our churches? We would love to have more people involved to greet as people arrive, give out books etc. and help visitors and regulars feel welcome. See Simon Smith or Toby if you think you could help, even on an occasional basis.

**A Spring Fayre** will be held at St Michael's church on **Saturday 14 March** from 10.00 – noon. It's a good opportunity to buy locally made gifts for Easter and for Mother's Day. If you are able to help in anyway, please talk to Margaret Rittman, or simply put the date in your diary and enjoy a morning of cake, coffee and gifts. Proceeds will go to the Parish Churches and L'Arche community in Ipswich. If you have any pre-loved items, books, jig-saws, etc. for the bric-a-brac stall, please leave them in church, in the box provided, or talk to Pam or Roger for collection. (01473 610 353)

**Benefice Away Day. 28<sup>th</sup> March.** 10 - 4. Christchurch Felixstowe. For our away day this year we have a guest speaker, Revd. Sharron Coburn, who will help us to explore how we can build the church. Not just our congregations, but the whole church of God. How can we engage with our friends, colleagues, neighbours etc. in a meaningful way to share the good news of Jesus with them? All are welcome, and the day is planned to allow for space to chat, eat and laugh together as a benefice. More details from Toby.

**Thank You for the Music – St Mary's over the weekend of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> May.** The organ recital by **Kate Macpherson** will be at 3.00pm on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**, followed by a celebration tea. The flower festival will be from 10.00am to 3.00pm on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10.00am to 4.00pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> followed by a Songs of Praise service at which our new archdeacon will preach. If you are able to help serve refreshments or act as stewards in church during the weekend, please talk to Roger or Pam. There will be rotas for you to fill in nearer the time.

**Holiday at Home 2020 will take place from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June.** We are planning a week of holiday activities specially for the over 55's from Martlesham and the surrounding area so don't miss out; make a note of the week in your diaries. Programmes and Booking Forms will be available at the end of April.

**Do you run one of our many church groups?** Then we may have something for you. We've been considering a program to hold the information people submitted in the contact forms. Some of these programs are able to create rotas, send emails to all people in your groups etc. Before going any further, we would like to show these programs to you and so are holding two similar demonstrations. If you are interested, you are welcome to join us at either. Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> at 19:30 and Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup> at 15:30 both at St Michaels. Paul Jordan and Nigel Maxwell

The Monday afternoon Bible Study Group will be commencing a Lent Course based on the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland Lent Course called Opening the Scriptures – Setting our Hearts on Fire. We will be starting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 1.45pm and we meet in the Committee Room at St. Michael's.