

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH AND PARISH MAGAZINE

MARCH 2019



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Fridays **YOGA CLASSES**, Village Hall, 9.30 a.m. Mixed ability.
Contact Hannah Owen: hannahowenuk@aol.com
- 5th **STORYTIME**, St. Michael's Vicarage, 6.30 p.m.,
Did Someone Mention Pancakes....?
- 7th **COFFEE AND CHAT** at **The Swan**, 10.30 a.m.
- 11th **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
- 12th **W.I. MEETING**, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Therese Hickland: Healing Thyme
Competition: Old Family Remedy
- 13th **LENT COURSE**, St. Chad's, 7.30 p.m. (each Weds in Lent)
- 22nd **BINGO & FISH & CHIPS** evening, Village Hall, **7.00** p.m.
- 23rd **CHURCHYARD MEETING**, 10.30 a.m.
- 31st **MOTHERING SUNDAY** Service, St. Michael's Church,
11.00 a.m.

Each issue
25P

Churchwardens:

Jane Lunt (662910)

Diana Thomas (663738)

MARCH SERVICES

ST. MICHAEL'S, MARBURY

- 3rd 9.00 a.m. HC CW
 Readers & P or A Hunter Johnston 2 Corinthians 3: 12-4, 2
 Sidespersons: Steve Wood Luke 9: 28-36
- 6th 7.00 p.m. HC CW ASH WEDNESDAY 2
 Readers & J Gregg Corinthians 5: 20b-6:10
 Sidespersons: Tricia Harvey Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21
- 10th 11.00 a.m. HC CW
 Readers: Richard Sheard Romans 10: 8b-13
 Joyce Farmer Luke 4: 1-13
 Sidespersons: Richard Sheard & Philip Bebbington
- 17th 11.00 a.m. SW *
 Readers: Richard Evans Philippians 3: 17-4, 1
 Peter Thomas Luke 13: 31-35
 Sidespersons: Sue Evans & Peter Thomas
- 24th 6.30 p.m. Evensong BCP
 Readers & Carolin Paton-Smith Isaiah 55: 1-9
 Sidespersons: Anthony Lewis Luke 13: 1-9
- 31st 11.00 a.m. SW * MOTHERING SUNDAY
 Readers & P or A Hunter Johnston Exodus 2: 1-10
 Sidespersons: Penny Allington 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7

ST. CHAD'S TUSHINGHAM

- 3rd 7.00 p.m. Worship@7
 6th 7.00 p.m. HC CW ASH WEDNESDAY, ST. MICHAEL'S
 10th 9.00 a.m. HC BCP
 17th 9.00 a.m. HC CW
 24th 11.00 a.m. SW *
 31sr 11.00 a.m. SW

ST. MARY'S WHITEWELL

- 11.00 a.m. HC CW
 6.30 p.m. EP BCP *
 11.00 a.m.. Family Service
 11.00 a.m. HC CW
 11.00 a.m. SW *

Worship@7pm is a new service held at St. Chad's, Tushingham each first Sunday of the month at 7 o'clock.

It's an informal service of praise and prayer...everyone is welcome.

3rd March: Guest Speaker Revd. Vicky Barrett

Services marked * will be lead by visiting clergy or lay readers.

MARCH 2019

Wellsprings of Joy....

We are about to 'spring' into Spring—can you feel it—the buds are appearing, grass is growing, birds are singing a different kind of song...

We begin to feel better within ourselves and we thirst for the promise of Spring as it draws near. The very word Spring sums up so many thoughts from its various meanings; as a verb it means to 'jump forth', as a noun it means the season of growth and development but also a place where a source of underground water breaks through the surface.

In the book of Isaiah in the Old Testament it says: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. For the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and He also has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the springs of salvation, and on that day you will say: "Give thanks to the LORD; proclaim His name! Make His works known among the peoples; declare that His name is exalted."

This is a wonderful quote from the prophet Isaiah that reinforces a need for human beings to find their deepest fulfillment in God...

In the book of Hebrews, maidens sang as they drew water from life-giving wells...and there is a strong analogy throughout the bible that reminds us of our need to quench our thirst, our longings not in water that is stagnant but water that is continually flowing and fresh.

Moving water has a fascination of its own. Meres ripple, creeks gurgle, waterfalls plummet, springs bubble, and ocean tides crash. We need water for our physical life, but it also somehow soothes our spirit...

"Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." John 4:14

Jesus claims to be the 'Water of Life', in him and through him the deep wells of longing and emptiness can be filled and this water will never be exhausted.

Now, isn't that something to 'spring' up and down about...?

Have a joy filled Spring and happy ever after....

Veronica. x



YOGA CLASSES:

Mixed Ability, Beginners Welcome

Marbury Village Hall

Every Friday, at 9.30 a.m.

Contact hannahowenuk@aol.com



BINGO AND FISH AND CHIPS EVENING!

VILLAGE HALL

FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH,

“EYES DOWN” 7.00 p.m.

Tickets £6 from Jill Shakeshaft: 01948 666221
or Committee Members

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| Jill Shakeshaft (Secretary) | 01948 666221 |
| Janet Makin | 01948 665724 |
| Jan & Tony Gibbs-Murray | 01948 663649 |
| John David | 01948 666065 |
| Marian Turnbull (Chair) | 01948 662489 |
| Hannah Owen | 07791 712504 |
| Flick Ashton | 01948 666893 |
| Beryl Fletcher | 01948 664889 |
| Bookings; Penny Allington | 01948 664900 |

It's YOUR VILLAGE HALL!

Visit the web site: www.marburyvillagehall.co.uk

Dates for your Diary

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – 7.30 pm in Church on Friday 5th April

Marbury Merry Days Meeting - Monday 29th April, 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Fauls' Singers Concert - on Friday 7th June, at 7.30 pm in Church

LENT 2019

This year, beginning on Wednesday, 13th March, and for the four subsequent Wednesdays in Lent, the Revd Mike Rogers will lead a series of talks on the Return of the Prodigal Son.

The parable, which is about two sons and their father, is one most of us know well; it may be found in Luke's Gospel Chapter 15, Vv11-32. It is a tale which speaks of homecoming, of affection, and of reconciliation as well as of loneliness, dejection, jealousy and anger. As a parable it challenges us to love as the father and to be loved as the son and, like an onion, the parable has many layers.

Each session will be held in St Chad's Tushingam, starting at 7.30pm, will last about 30 minutes, and is planned to take the form of a 10 minute address from Mike, followed by 10 minutes of contemplative prayer and ending with an Evening Office, a short said service used to end the day. We shall then leave the church in silence reflecting on what we have heard and on what we have said.

You are most welcome to join us for all or any of the sessions.

MARBURY MERRY DAYS – Saturday & Sunday, 11th & 12th May

The next – and final ! – meeting before Merry Days will be on Monday 29th April at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Even if you haven't been able to get to any of the other meetings, please try to come to this one – everyone is welcome.

This will be our 40th Merry Days, so really something for us to celebrate!

Our main ring attraction this year will be The Sealed Knot, with their skirmishes, displays and living history camp on the field. The “noisy” skirmishes will be on the Saturday, so that dog owners can bring their dogs along on Sunday for the Dog & Terrier Racing and the Fun Dog Show without hearing the bangs ! Steve Leonard has kindly agreed to judge the Dog Show for us again and Pinxton Puppets will be making a welcome return.

Please remember that all contributions will be very gratefully received for the following stalls:-

Plants - as no-one has come forward (yet !) to organise the plant stall, which has always been one of our major fund-raisers, Carolin Paton-Smith will bring her trailer to the field on Saturday morning, 11th May, at 9.30 to receive all donations. Please start sowing seeds, potting on small cuttings, and generally looking out for flowers, fruit or vegetable plants which you would be happy to give.

Refreshments - Ursula Stoddart (666109) would be delighted to receive cakes, biscuits and offers of help for the tea tent.

Tombola - prizes to Bev & Frank Tanner (666036) or Carol Sheard (663087) please.

Bric-a-Brac - Teresa MacLeod (667325) has very kindly agreed to run this for us, and has particularly asked for children's books, toys etc., as well as other books and general items. Please bring contributions to the field on Friday evening, or Saturday morning as early as possible.

Car parking - this year we'll need to run three car parks, so more volunteers would be very much appreciated. Please contact Richard Evans (664917) if you can help.

We'll also be having the usual Craft & Gift Marquees and Trade Stands – if you know anyone who might be interested in a table in the Marquees (£30 for two days) or a Trade Stand space (£40) please ask them to contact Richard or Carol on 01948 663087 as quickly as possible.

And, finally, do have a look at our new website -

www.marburymerrydays.org Thanks to Chris Wheeler and Budgie Zawistowicz for master-minding this brand new look for us !



COFFEE AND CHAT

We are meeting, by kind invitation, at The Swan in Marbury
on Thursday, 7th March at 10.30 a.m.

All our community are welcome to come along, and have a coffee,
and see friends and neighbours. It is a great way to get to know
everyone in the lovely environment of the Swan.

We look forward to seeing you.

STORYTIME

Stories, song and prayers, first Tuesday of each month.

...dress code - pj's with our teddy bears....

...followed by hot chocolate, marshmallows & cookies....



We welcome our newest member to the church family Constance Heath,
daughter to Richard and Sheryl, baptised at St. Michael's on Sunday,
January 27th, 2019

May she be a light that shines out to the world...

Remembering Jean...

Tuesday, January 15th saw the community gather together in a service of
'Thanksgiving' for the life of Jean Ann Warrington who passed away on
December 30th, 2018. Jean was a popular and much loved member of the
church and the community and will be missed by so many...

Our thoughts and prayers are with Richard, John, Sue, Julie and their
families...



LENT FOOD BANK COLLECTION

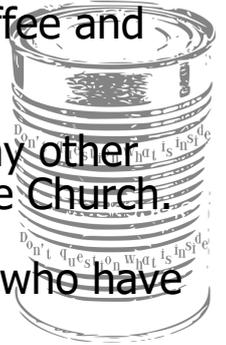
During Lent there will be a collection at St Michael's Church for the Whitchurch Food Bank.

After contacting the Food Bank we are aware the following items are in short supply:

Whole and Semi long life milk, Tinned Rice Pudding, Small Sponge Puddings, Tinned Vegetables, Small jars of Coffee and Tinned Fish.

If you are able to donate any of the above items, or have any other items, please place them in the box provided at the back of the Church.

A big thank you; it will make a real difference to people locally who have so little.



CHURCHYARD BORDERS



We have a very committed group people who regularly mow and care for our churchyard, whom we do thank for their hard work.

As Spring approaches we are looking for volunteers to help us with the Churchyard borders. Our thoughts are, if anyone would like to "adopt a border" to regularly maintain, this would be a great help. We are aware we have new people within our Parish that may like to help in this way.

With this in mind, we ask anyone who may be interested to come along to a Churchyard Meeting, on **Saturday, 23rd March**, at 10.30 a.m., to discuss who would like to adopt which borders.

If you are unable to come, but would like to help, please telephone Jane Lunt 01948 662910.



Mothering Sunday

St Michael's Mothering Sunday Service is at 11.00 a.m. on 31st March 2019. We invite everyone to come and join us for this special service where we give thanks to God for our special mums.

CHURCH BOOK BOX



We are in the process of setting up a box at the back of Church with Christian Books that people may borrow read and return - a mini library. So many of us have bought and read books only for them to sit on our shelves at home. It would be so nice if they could give further pleasure to our Church family.

With this in mind we are asking if anyone would like to donate any Christian faith type books to our box. If so please place them in the box provided. We can then set up our Library box for us all to enjoy.



*YOU CAN SIGN UP TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL, IN PREFERENCE TO A PAPER COPY. TO DO SO PLEASE E-MAIL - makinatmarbury@aol.com
Please give your home location and the name of your distributor. Many thanks.*

To find out what's going on in Marbury, also Tushingam and Whitewell, visit the web site:

www.parishmag.org

To receive notification of updates to the web site please send your e-mail address to: chris.smith@videoactive.co.uk

NEW ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL 2019

Every six years the Parish is required to create a new Church Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is a list of names and addresses of every person who can vote in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

People on the existing roll have been sent a letter and application form as they are required to reapply to be placed on the new Roll.

Anyone who is not on the current Church Electoral Roll, and wishes to be placed on it, will need to apply either by picking up an application pack from the back of the Church; or by contacting the Electoral Roll Officer, Mrs. Janet Wheeler, on 01948 665981. The forms have to be returned to the Electoral Roll Officer by the 5th March 2019.

If your name is on our Electoral Roll, you have the right to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which this year is on the 5th April, and which you are most welcome to attend.

As beautiful as St. Michael's Church is, it is only so because of the family and community who come together, in so many ways, to care for each other in and around our area, on behalf of the God who loves us all. Therefore I am encouraging you to join the electoral roll this year and be a part of that wonderful community and family.

Revd. Veronica Green

News and articles with diary dates for

APRIL 2019

please to Janet Makin, on 01948 665724 or, *preferably*, by

e-mail to: makinatmarbury@aol.com by **15th MARCH.**

Other **queries or advertisements** to Tricia Harvey on 01270 780646
or by e-mail to: trishaharvey50@gmail.com

Useful phone numbers and contacts for residents

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| Vicarage | 663758 |
| Parish web-site | www.parishmag.org |
| Clerk Parish Council | Lisa Tiplady clerk@marburyanddistrict.org.uk 664900 (Penny Allington) |
| Village Hall Bookings | |
| <i>Doctors:</i> | |
| Churchmere Practice | 01948 320044 (Bridgewater) |
| Wrenbury Surgery | 01270 780210 |
| Shropdoc | Dial 111 — NHS |
| Travel information | traveline.info |
| Cheshire East Information | 0300 123 5500 |
| Mobile library | 0300 123 5018 3rd Thursday, p.m. |
| Citizens' Advice Bureau | 0800 630 0762 |
| Police, non-emergency | 101 |
| Police, emergency | 999 |
| Police Officer Nicky Berry | nicola.berry@cheshire.pnn.police.uk |
| PCSO 7149 Sharon Jones | sharon.jones@cheshire.pnn.police.uk |
| Nantwich Police Web Site | www.cheshire.police.uk |
| To report litter | 0300 123 5011 |
| Environmental Health | 0300 123 5015 |
| Dog Warden | 0300 123 5021 |
| Social Care and Health | 0300 123 5010 |
| Potholes | 0300 123 5020 www.cheshireeasthighways.org |

Defibrillators are located at:

phone boxes @ Wrenbury Road Marbury & Gauntons Bank, Norbury; Ravensmoor x roads; The Black Bear, Whitchurch; The Civic Centre, Whitchurch; The Bull Ring, Whitchurch; Sainsbury's, Whitchurch; Tesco, Whitchurch; Swimming Baths, Whitchurch; Cholmondeley Arms.

If you have information which would be helpful to others please e-mail them to: [***makinatmarbury@aol.com***](mailto:makinatmarbury@aol.com)

More useful phone numbers and contacts:

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| Cheshire East Fire & Rescue Service | 01606 8687000 |
| Crimestoppers (you can call anonymously) | 0800 555 111 |
| Cheshire East Council | 0300 123 5500 |
| Childline | 0800 1111 |
| Red Cross | 0844 871 1111 |
| Samaritans | 116 123 |
| Alzheimer's Society | 0300 222 1122 |
| The Silver Line | 0800 470 8090 |
| NHS Choices | www.mhs.uk |
| Stroke Association | www.stroke.org.uk |
| British Heart Foundation | www.bhf.org.uk |

PARISH COUNCILLORS to contact for local matters:

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| Janet Makin | 1 Heath Lane, Marbury, | SY13 4NE | 01948 665724 |
| Peter Thomas | The Spinney, Black Park, | SY13 4JP | 01948 663738 |
| Penny Allington | 9 School Lane, Marbury, | SY13 4LH | 01948 664900 |
| John David | Rowan Hse, School Ln, Marbury | SY13 4LH | 01948 666065 |

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| Philip Shakeshaft | Chair; The Croft, Norbury, | SY13 4HS | 01948 666221 |
| George Drinkwater | Higher Hall, Norbury, | SY13 4HT | 01948 663729 |
| John Gregg | Myddle Bank Farm, Norbury, | SY13 4HT | 01948 663612 |
| Rob Perry | Vice-Chair: Pear Tree Farm, Norbury, | SY13 4HZ | 01948 666350 |
| Marian Turnbull | Ginger Cottage, Swanwick Green, | SY13 4HL | 07949 784308 |

WIRSWALL

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| Fiona Wilson | 2 Bradeley Gn Cottages | SY13 4HE | 07801 928925 |

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