

St Chad's Church Tushingham

March Newsletter

Services for March 2019.

Sunday 3 rd March	7.00pm	Worship. Guest Speaker Revd. Vicky Barratt
Sunday 10 th March	9.00am	Holy Communion B.C.P.
Wed 13 th March	7.30pm	Lent Service
Sunday 17 th March	9.00am	Holy Communion C.W.
Wed 20 th March	7.30pm	Lent Service
Sunday 24 th March	11.00am	Service of the Word J.H.
Wed 27 th March	7.30pm	Lent Service
Sunday 31 st March	11.00am	Mothering Sunday
Wed 3 rd April	7.30pm	Lent Service

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

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

Sidespersons Rota

Reader

3 rd March	to be arranged	
10 th March	Mr J. Probin	Mrs L. Mountford
17 th March	Mr M. Voisey	Mrs V. Moore Dutton
24 th March	Mr P. Moore Dutton	Mr H. Probin
31 st March	Mr A. Dawson	Mrs D. Nichols

Flower Rota

3 rd March	Mrs J. Dawson
Lent - No Flowers	
31 st March	Mrs C. Geall

Brass Rota

March	Miss J. Peake
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Coffee Hostesses

24 th March	Miss J. Peake and Mrs D. Nichols
31 st March	Mrs V. Moore Dutton and Mrs L. Mountford

Lent Talks 2019

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

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.

The Battle's Over

A wonderful book containing the Roll of Honour for those in Tushingam Parish, who gave their lives for their Country during The Great War is now available to see, and is placed in our Church next to the Commemorative Poppies. Many thanks to Tushingam, Macefen, and Bradley Parish Meeting for organising and financing this tribute.

Vicar's Letter 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

Dates for your Diary

- Tuesday 5th March Coffee and Chat at 10.30am onwards
at The Wheatsheaf, Nomans Heath.
all are welcome.
- Wednesday 6th March Ash Wednesday Service at Marbury at 7.00pm
- Wednesday 13th March Lent Course begins at St. Chad's Tushingham
7.30 pm.
- Wednesday 20th March PCC Meeting at The Vicarage at 3.00pm
- Tuesday 2nd April Pop – Up Shop at 10.00am.
The first Pop-up shop for 2019. Louise is looking
for good quality items - clothing, household and
unwanted gifts.
- Sunday 28th April Bluebell Walk at Tushingham Hall.
By kind permission of Mr & Mrs Moore Dutton.

New Electoral Roll 2019.

Once every six years the preparation of a new church electoral roll takes place. This means every person on the current roll is removed, and is required to re-apply.

The Electoral Roll is a list of names and addresses of every person who can vote in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

To apply to be on the roll you should fill in the application form, obtainable from Church or Mrs J. Dawson (tel 01948 820305).

Forms should be returned to Church or Mrs Dawson at Bickley Wood by 12th March 2019.

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NB: Please try to avoid contacting Veronica on Mondays

