



Christ Church  
Little Drayton  
A Traditional Church  
A Welcoming Church  
A Caring Church

## Sunday 14th March The Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday



Monthly Bible verse:

When life is heavy and hard to take,  
go off by yourself. Enter the silence.

Bow in prayer. Don't ask questions:

Wait for hope to appear. (*Lamentations 3: 28, The Msg*)

### Prayer for the week:

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,  
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:  
strengthen us in our daily living  
that in joy and in sorrow  
we may know the power of your presence  
to bind together and to heal;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.



**Amen**

Please pray for the people of our parish: **Lee, Andrew Bailey, Pat Bullen, Christine Hull, Stephen Hadley, Jodie, Gracie, Robert and Family, Bill Hughes, Solo, Colleen, Joshua, Judy Treadgold, Heather, Shaun, Grace, Lillian Shinn, Brian and Elaine, Cherry, Tony Morris, Cicely Egerton, Ann, Twyla, Ray**

Please pray for the recently departed: **Alan Sheel, Jeanette Baggley, Roy Hickman**

Please pray for members of our church family: **Tony Morris, Angela Munn, Dave Munn, Ann Parkinson**

Please pray for the life of our church: **Churchwardens, Rev. Jane, James and Rev. Lucinda, Messy Church, Art for All**

### Sunday Bible readings:

A reading from the Book of Exodus 2.1-10

A reading from the Letter to the Colossians 3.12-17

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 19.25b-27



Readings to use in the third week of March:

| Day       | Date | Reading           | Psalm    |
|-----------|------|-------------------|----------|
| Sunday    | 14   | John 9.1-25       | 27       |
| Monday    | 15   | John 9.18-end     | 77       |
| Tuesday   | 16   | John 10.1-10      | 79       |
| Wednesday | 17   | John 10.11-21     | 90       |
| Thursday  | 18   | John 10.22-end    | 86       |
| Friday    | 19   | Matthew 13.54-end | 25       |
| Saturday  | 20   | John 11.17-27     | 32       |
| Sunday    | 21   | Hebrews 12.18-end | 107.1-22 |

**We shall be holding a Lent Group on Zoom- all are welcome**, it is based on 'God with Us: The meaning of the Cross and Resurrection- then and now' by Rowan Williams.

**Time: Tuesdays 10am -Mar 16, Mar 23**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81598845695?pwd=cIQ5dFRKWjJtZ3dVVmIxdHdIc1hIZz09>

Meeting ID: 815 9884 5695

Passcode: 772782

Dial by your location: find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/keaqcIBlxa>

There will also be an online service ready for viewing every Monday. If you would like to join the email list to receive it for Sunday, please contact Rev. Jane.

Bishop Sarah has asked Rev Jane to become Interim Minister for the benefice of Norton in Hales and Woore for a 6 month period, working at a 0.4 part-time rate, from 16th. March. This will include Rev. Lucinda, too, as we share the ministry in the three parishes. We will both be licensed by Bishop Sarah on 16th. March at 7 pm, via Zoom. Please pray for us both, and for Norton in Hales and Woore.

**MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK:** WE URGENTLY NEED THE FOLLOWING PLEASE: LONG LIFE CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE - NO STOCK, SPONGE PUDDINGS/SLAB CAKE - NO STOCK, TINNED SPAGHETTI - NO STOCK, TINNED FISH (NOT TUNA) - NO STOCK, TOILET ROLLS, TINNED HAM, EGGS, PACKETS OF FLAVOURED RICE/NOODLES, COOKING AND PASTA SAUCES (PASTA NOT NEEDED), LAUNDRY WASHING LIQUID/TABLETS/PODS, LOCAL SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS/VOUCHERS - MORRISONS/LIDL/ALDI/ASDA/SAINSBURY'S  
**THANK YOU.**

The Foodbank is now open Tuesday and Friday mornings 9am-11am for food donation only. Please see the print outs in church, or go to the website <https://marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk/> for their **Lent appeal**. They send thanks to all who are supporting them at this time.

**Please find below some helpful links to Spiritual Resources:**

Daily Hope, a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers from the Church of England— please call 0800 804 8044

[www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org), search 'Daily Prayer' for full Church of England Offices

[www.sacredspace.ie](http://www.sacredspace.ie), daily guided *lectio divina* with the Gospels

[www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com), for a wealth of Catholic resources and readings for each day

<https://www.lichfield-cathedral.org/welcome-back/together-in-worship-from-51120>

A resource from Lichfield Cathedral

<https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/call-prayer-nation>

CofE call to prayer for the nation during this current lockdown

Apps: (for handheld or mobile devices):

Common Worship Daily Prayer, Lectio 365, Pray as you go

**There are copies of our Lent at Home booklet in church, and a downloadable copy on our website**

**Can you spare?** For our churchyard, any small plants? Our churchyard now has newly soil-enriched areas. Just leave them by the compost bins. Thank you.

We are looking for 2 more people to go on the rota as sidesperson, if you would like to volunteer please let Rev. Jane know. Thank you. We are also looking for volunteers to clean the brasses in March and November. Please let Heather know if you are interested—655493

**WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE WE WILL BE REOPENING FOR PUBLIC SERVICES STARTING ON:**

**Palm Sunday 28th March**

**10am** Parish Eucharist

**Tuesday 30th March**

**10am** BCP Eucharist

**Maundy Thursday 1st April**

**7.30pm** Eucharist

**Easter Day 4th April**

**10am** Parish Eucharist

**THEN SUBSEQUENT SUNDAYS AND TUESDAYS 10AM. (SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO THERE BEING NO RESURGENCE IN COVID RATES—THESE ARE MONITORED REGULARLY)**

As before, we will have stewards on hand to assist you; and take your details for test and trace purposes. Please wear a mask. Please kindly use the hand sanitizer provided, and we will direct you to a pew.

We regret that, for health and safety measures, the toilet and the kitchen remain closed for the time being.

**Up until then we will still be open for private prayer on: Sundays 10-11.30am and Wednesdays 2-3.30pm.**

**Will you join us in creating an art exhibition, with the theme of 'Hope' during Easter week? Paintings, drawings, small models and photos. All are welcome, of whatever age! For more details, contact [lyndagreen137@gmail.com](mailto:lyndagreen137@gmail.com) or Alison Derwent tel 654697. Please bring your art to church on Wednesdays between now and the 31st March 2pm - 3.30pm, or let Alison know if you can't, and we can make alternative arrangements.**

Rev. Jane and Rev. Lucinda will be hosting BCP Evening Prayer via Zoom on the **first and third Sundays of the month** at 5:30pm. If you would like to join in, there is a new link, ID and password the same each time which is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81692895877?pwd=ejFkQktRd3VCWC9RNm54WmR2bXUvZz09>

Meeting ID: 816 9289 5877

Passcode: 658832

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