

**St Martin's
Low Marple**

Notices and Prayers - April 2023

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Services

Sunday 2nd Palm Sunday

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass *with*

Junior Church

6:30 pm - Music and Readings for
Passiontide

Holy Week - (separate sheet)

Sunday 9th Easter Sunday

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass

Sunday 16th

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Family Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 23rd

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 30th

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Dates for your diary

April

Saturday 1st - Prayer Stations, 12-3 pm, in church

Saturday 1st - Folk Dance Group Ceilidh, 7-10 pm, in the hall

Sunday 2nd - Fairtrade Stall, in the hall after the parish mass

Sunday 2nd - Music and Readings for Passiontide service

3rd-8th - Holy Week services (please see separate sheet for details)

Sunday 9th - Easter egg hunt in church, after the parish mass

Saturday 15th - Churchyard working party, 10-12 noon

Saturday 15th - First Heritage Trust open morning of the year

Sunday 16th - Crafternoon, 2-4 pm

Wednesday 19th - Coffee morning, 10-12 noon, in the hall

Wednesday 19th - Mothers Union meeting, 2 pm, in the hall

Saturday 22nd - Heritage Trust talk - *Lutyens in the N.W.*

Wednesday 26th - Coffee morning, 10-12 noon, in the hall

Notices

The Folk Dance Group are holding a Ceilidh on Saturday 1st April. If you'd like to join in, or to go along to watch the fun, they'd love you to join them! Please talk to Mike Powell for more information.

The coffee morning on 24th March was great fun - time spent playing games, talking, knitting, and of course, drinking tea and coffee and eating cake. Starting on April 19th, there will be coffee mornings weekly during term time, now on Wednesdays, but at the same time of 10 am - 12 noon. Please do come along!

This month's Mothers' Union meeting's speaker will be talking about the work of the Cheshire Wildlife Trust. All very welcome—you don't have to be a member of the Mother's Union!

A space for notes

Let us give thanks

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

(c.f. Romans 5.8)

Prayer list

In our prayers please remember the sick who have asked for our prayers:

Ruby	Michael
Andrew	Kathleen & Arthur
David	Clare
Gary	Steph
Freddie & Jasmine	Hillary
Madeleine	Gordon
Peter	Peter
Jude	
Roger	

Rural Dean

Following Rev'd Lesley Currie's stepping down from the role of rural dean, after taking on the role of Dean of Women's Ministry, Bishop Mark spent some time in prayerful discernment over who will become our next rural dean.

It has now been decided!

Rev'd Hannah Hupfield has been offered, and accepted, the role. She will be commissioned at a service on Tuesday 9th May, at 7 pm at St Thomas' Church, High Lane.

Everyone is welcome to that service - please do come along if you are able, as we gather as a deanery to celebrate and pray for this ministry that Hannah will offer over the next few years.

Please pray for:

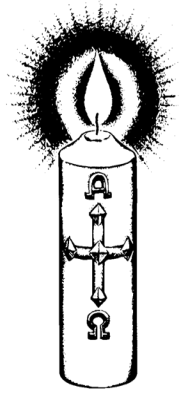
For each one of us here at St Martin's, as we journey once more through the events of Holy Week.

For the people of Ukraine, and all refugees.

For Rev'd Ashleigh, as her ordination to the priesthood approaches.

For Martin Makin, as he prepares to be licensed as incumbent of St Barnabas, Bredbury on 11th May, following his curacy at St Mark's, Bredbury.

For Rev'd Hannah Hupfield, the new rural dean for our deanery, as her commissioning in May approaches.



Sponsorship

Fr Timothy is hoping to run the Manchester half marathon in May, and is looking for sponsorship for this act of silliness(!), to raise money for the growing children's ministry at St Martin's; There is a sponsorship form on the desk at the back of church, if you'd like to sponsor him.



p.s. There have also been whispers about some St Martin's folk possibly being involved in a charity abseil - *watch this space!*

