



WEEKLY NEWS

Lent 5/Passiontide Begins, 6th April 2025

Worship

COLLECT: Lent 5/Passiontide Begins

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 43.16-21

PSALM: Psalm 126

NEW TESTAMENT: Philippians 3.4b - 14

GOSPEL READING: John 12.1-8

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

Today Passiontide begins, with a focus on the suffering of Christ. Today we pray for all who suffer, who struggle with addiction or mental illness, or feel lonely or afraid. We pray for those who are ill and in hospitals and hospices. We pray that you would be with them in their distress, and bring them to resurrection life both here and in eternity.

SICK LIST We pray for Pam T, Denise M, Anne W, Debbie C, Vitalia W, Margaret S, Lyn T, Nick M, Pauline H, Valerie H

RIP Bob Williams, Diane Bowen, Pamela Harrison, Yvonne (Mary) Hales

YEAR'S MIND Pray for Hilma Fisher & Doris Lock, whose year's mind falls at this time.



News and Notices

NEW OFFICE & CHURCH (FOR PRIVATE PRAYER) CLOSED NEXT WEEK The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 7th April and will reopen on Monday 14th April at 9.30am. The Church for private prayer will be closed next week too.

NEW NO WEEKLY NEWS NEXT WEEK There will be no Weekly News next week but there will be one the following week.

NEW 50 CLUB Congratulations to our winners! March: Christine Cullen £50, Mike Crane £10. April: Joyce House £50, Hazel West £10. Your winnings can be collected from the Parish Office from the 14th April.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE LENT GROUPS Now running Wednesday evenings from 7.30-9pm at the Methodist Church and Thursday mornings at St Antony's 10.30am - 12 noon. All welcome. **Booklets are £1.85 and will be available from the first session you go to, and you also need to bring a Bible.**

CHURCH GROUNDS SPRING GARDENING DAY 5TH APRIL The Gardening Group are having a Spring Gardening Day and would ask if anyone would like to join us on Saturday 5th April for anytime between 09:30 and 12:00. You will be more than welcome and there is no requirement to come for the whole time. Refreshments will be available in Northreach throughout that period. If you are able to come and could bring your own hand tools such as forks and secateurs, that would be helpful. And if you can let me or the Parish Office know you are coming that would help. If you would like to know more about it please don't hesitate to chat to me. Many thanks Ken Pearce

NEW SINGING IN CARE HOMES Revd Helen is taking two short services in Care Homes in April. Thurs 10th April at 10.45am at The Links & Fri 11th April at 11am at The Potteries. We have a small group of singers to lead the singing of some well known hymns. If anyone would like to join us they would be very welcome. (Please phone Pat Longstaff 01202 691148)

GETTING TO GRIPS WITH THE GOSPELS Final dates are: Sat 12th April & Sat 24th May. May will be the last session.

NEW PALM SUNDAY 13th APRIL SERVICE STARTS AT 9.45am A reminder that on Sunday 13th April, which is Palm Sunday, we start the service in the parish hall to receive our palm crosses and bless them, then begin the procession around the church. If anyone cannot make it to the procession, you can still take part in the litany of palms happening in the parish hall at 9.45am and then make your way straight to church. If you prefer not to join in this part, but go and sit in church from 9.45am, of course you may do so. The 8am service is not affected and runs as usual.

THURSDAY 17TH APRIL NO MORNING PRAYER There will be no Morning Prayer that day as we are at the cathedral.

NEW FOOT WASHEES NEEDED We need 6 people to volunteer to have their foot washed during the Maundy Thursday service. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you are happy to volunteer. It is always a moving experience and I recommend it if you haven't volunteered before.

NEW GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS Please note that for the Churches Together in Broadstone Walk of Witness, we gather outside St John's (or in the annexe) from 9.45am and set off at 10am with the cross to walk round to outside the Methodist Church on the High Street, where we shall re-tell the Passion story to all who pass by, and conclude with a couple of hymns. Please join us for this visible Christian Easter witness to our faith and our commitment to God and one another across our churches! It should be finished by approx 10.40am.

AMENDED REMEDY OAK 27TH APRIL Please can all menus be passed to Phyl by this Sunday. Thank you.

QUIET DAY AT ST JOHN'S Sat 3rd May 9.30am - 3pm (Advance Notice). This will be led by Zoe Phillips, a member of our congregation, with themes of Creation. It will have a Celtic flavour. The day will end with Revd Helen leading a short Communion Service. We will have *a bring and share lunch for all who come, so please remember to bring a contribution on the day.* Sign up sheets are now available.

NEW PLANT SALE FLYERS are available at the back of Church. Please take a few to distribute to any organisations that you are part of and spread the word!

NEW PLANT SALE CAKES NEEDED!! Please sign the sheet at the back of church if you are able to bake a cake for the plant sale refreshments on Saturday 10th May. Many thanks Gill

AMENDED REVD GARY WALDRON'S ORDINATION is on Saturday 28th June, probably late morning. Everyone is welcome! Sign up sheet is at the back of Church as it would be helpful to know who is coming and if a coach is needed or whether we will share lifts.

COFFEE ROTA Please contact June Webber on junewebber@outlook.com if you would like to join the coffee rota. Thank you to those already on the rota and could you let June know which Sundays you are unavailable June to December inclusive. Many thanks.

PARKING AT THE PARISH HALL A reminder that if there is room, you are allowed to park but ONLY on church business - no other reason. You must only park in a way that uses a

genuine space and **MUST NOT** block anyone in nor prevent emergency access to the hall by a vehicle from the gate. Please ensure all cars are removed by 12 noon on Wednesdays if you have parked by the fence nearest to church / outside parish hall itself. Thank you. *Revd Helen*

STRICTLY NO ACCESS TO PARISH HALL ITSELF MON TO FRI 7.30am - 6.25pm This is a reminder that there is strictly no access to the building for any reason whatsoever Mon to Fri 7.30am to 6.25pm. Many thanks - I appreciate very much your co-operation with this. *Revd Helen*

NEW VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO EMBROIDER SOME VERY SMALL CROSSES

We need someone willing to embroider a very small cross into the middle of some small white cloths (handkerchief-sized) which are used for the altar and Eucharist as coporeals (on which the Eucharistic vessels sit during the Eucharistic prayer). We can show you a sample. If you think you could do a few of these, please let Keith know, or ask him about it! Thank you.

BOTTLES FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY I am wanting bottles, i.e. coke, lemonade, mixer drinks etc... to take the bottoms off to make poppies for a Remembrance Day project. Please bring any clean bottles to the Parish Office. Many thanks *Ann Biggs*

SERVERS REQUIRED. We are looking for new servers to recruit (those people dressed in white who carry candles and the cross during services, among other things). We hope to have a training session soon. Please let the vicar or Keith Manston know asap if you would like to know more about this role.

CALL FOR OLD SPECTACLES! A reminder that we have a bin at the back of the church where you can donate your old glasses for charity.

VERGERS NEEDED The vicar still needs extra people to be a verger at funerals and weddings at St John's. If interested, have a word with Revd Helen.

RAISE MONEY FOR ST JOHNS WITH TRUST130 For every new home insurance policy taken out with Ecclesiastical, they'll donate £130 to an Anglican church of the policy holder's choice. For info, contact Caroline in the office or call Ecclesiastical on **0800 7830 130**.

CORFE MULLEN FOOD BANKS Corfe Mullen Food Bank asked us to send their continued thanks for the generous donations that St. John's regularly makes, it is very much appreciated. Food donations can be left in the Church Porch Mon - Fri 10am-1pm & Sun 11.30am – 12.15pm. All given to St Nicholas' Church Corfe Mullen FoodBank who provide food for Broadstone individuals & families, and vouchers to Broadstone / Hillbourne Schools. All food welcome but the need is also for **cleaning products including cleaning cloths, cooking sauces, tinned carrots and other tinned vegetables**. Visit parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank to make cash donation or contact Sheila & Ken.

HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE MORNING Free tea & coffee every Thursday morning, from 10am – 12noon. Come and enjoy a drink and a chat with old friends and new.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 4 th Apr	1pm Funeral of Pamela Harrison 10am Children's Work Meeting at The Vicarage
Sat 5 th Apr	9.30am – 12 noon Gardening Group Spring Clear Up
Mon 7 th Apr	Parish Office Closed until Monday 14 th April
Thurs 10 th Apr	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 10.45am Care Home Service at The Links with Revd Helen and the Singing Group

Fri 11th Apr 11am Care Home Service at The Potteries with Revd Helen and the Singing Group
7.30pm St John's Fellowship in Parish Hall

Sat 12th Apr 9.45am Getting to Grips with the Gospels
2pm Craft & Chat Group

Sun 13th Apr 9.45am Palm Sunday begins in the Parish Hall
11.30am brief PCC meeting in Lady Chapel to approve the financial report for the APCM.
3pm, Muddy Church Easter Special
Parish Office reopens at 9.30am

FURTHER AFIELD

BOURNEMOUTH WILLIAM TEMPLE ASSOCIATION Monday 7th April at the Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth. The meeting starts at 7.40pm but beforehand there is an optional dinner at 6.30pm.

NEW BROADSTONE FUNDRAISING GROUP FOR CANCER RESEARCH UK are holding an Easter Coffee Morning and 75th anniversary of fundraising for cancer research on the 12th April from 10am to 12 noon at the United Reformed Church Hall, Blandford Road, Broadstone. There will be our usual raffle plus a raffle for a large Thorntons Easter egg. Cake, Books, cards and jewellery stalls. Entrance is £4 which includes a hot cross bun and butter, tea/coffee. We look forward to welcoming you.

DORSET CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT The Passion Of Our Lord According To St Mark. Monday 14th April, 7.30pm at Broadstone United Reformed Church. Tickets £10 (under 18s free) from David Hopkins, website or on the door.

DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS BIKES WANTED International Care Network (ICN) are looking for bikes for refugees and asylum seekers in BCP. Do you have an unused but usable bike stagnating in your garage or garden? For further info contact Judith on 07840490525 or judithw0651@gmail.com

CHITTER CHATTER CLUB Every Wednesday, 2.30pm – 4pm at Cafe Gardenia.

TUESDAY CLUB AT BROADSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH We are open 10.30 am till 2pm. Please contact Ann on 01202 849136 for more information.

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday Eucharist 8am & 10am
Wednesday Eucharist 10.30am