

St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall: Newsletter for March 2021.

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: MARCH 2021

N.B. These are the services that we hope to hold in our churches, but owing to the Covid crisis, some may have to be changed, cancelled or take place via Zoom. Please see our weekly email updates, or phone/email the Rector (dandfwintle@gmail.com) to find out the current situation.

AT THE MOMENT, ALL OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP AT THE STATED TIMES.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
March 7:	11.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:
Third Sunday in Lent.	Holy Communion.	Village Service.	Parish Communion.
			6.30 p.m: Evensong.
March 14:	11.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	8.00 a.m:
Fourth Sunday in Lent.	Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday. NO EVENSONG.	Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday.	Holy Communion in church. 11.00 a.m: Mothering Sunday service on Zoom.
March 21: Fifth Sunday in Lent. (Passion Sunday)	I I .00 a.m: Mattins.	I 0.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m:Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
March 28:	II.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:
Palm Sunday.	Holy Communion with reading of the Passion	Holy Communion for Palm Sunday	Holy Communion with reading of the Passion narrative.
	narrative.		6.30 p.m: Evensong.
March 29: Monday in Holy Week.			7.30 p.m. Holy Communion
March 30: Tuesday in Holy Week.			7.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
March 31: Wednesday in Holy Week.			9.30 a.m: Holy Communion.
Tioly Week.			7.30 p.m: Tenebrae. A service of light. Please bring a torch.
Apil I: Maundy Thursday.			7.30 p.m. Holy Communion: Commemoration of the Last Supper, followed by The Watch. (Silent prayer and meditation. Stay as long as you wish.)
April 2: Good Friday.		I 0.30 a.m: Good Friday devotional service, led by the Revd. Penny Hughes.	10.00 a.m: Good Friday workshop (may be on Zoom: watch this space!) 7.30 p.m: Good Friday Liturgy.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
April 3: Holy Saturday.			7.30 p.m: Easter Vigil.
			(including lighting of the Paschal candles for all 3 churches.)
April 4: Easter Day	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. I I.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	I 0.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.

At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY 9.30 a.m: Holy Communion.

Every Thursday in Lent at Ryton: 6.30 p.m.: Stations of the Cross

Next PCC meeting: to be confirmed.

Church Giving

We give because God gave first.

A message from PCC Treasurer, David Hollway:

"Not being able to get to church or any church services is a real frustration – hopefully we will be



able to do so again soon! The expense of maintaining the building continues none the less, and if you would like to make any envelope contributions before church opens again, they would be greatly appreciated. Please either let me know and I can collect them from you, alternatively pop them through my door."

Hopefully it won't be too long before we can meet again in church.

Flower Rota No flowers in church during Lent.

Donations for Easter Lilies to Mrs. Jackie Lloyd please.

LENT STUDY GROUP 2021

Lent Group- on Zoom this year.

The Lent Group this year is meeting via Zoom, and meetings take place at 7.00 on Tuesday evenings. We are discussing the Bible readings for the upcoming Sunday, and the readings are emailed to participants before each meeting, as well as being displayed on everybody's screen during the Zoom sessions. Bible Study Group will be suspended until after Easter, and members are encouraged to join the Lent Group instead. If you would like to join Lent Group, please contact the Rector or Rosemary and ask to be included on the list, so that you can receive the readings and the invitations to the Zoom meetings. Anyone who prefers not to use Zoom is warmly invited to send in their comments on the readings by email to rosiking2963@gmail.com

From the Church Registers.



February 9, at St. Leonard's Church, Ryton: The funeral of June Betty Inejczuk

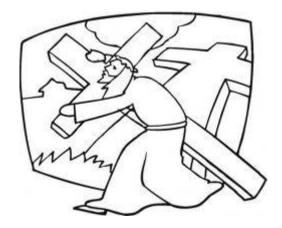
February 25, in St.John the Baptist Churchyard, Baginton: Interment of the Ashes of Lilian Palmer.



May they rest in peace

Lent Service: Stations of the Cross

On Thursdays in Lent, we are meeting at Ryton Church to meditate on the Way of the Cross-Jesus' last journey as he carried his cross through the streets of Jerusalem to the place of his crucifixion. Service begins at 6.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes.



Lent Jars.



This Lent, many of us will give up glasses of wine, coffee or chocolate, to mark the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert.

This year we will be continuing to support Alzheimer's Society with our Lent Jar Appeal.

The Alzheimer's Society is a leading dementia society in the UK. They fund research, campaign for change and offer support to sufferers and their families.

There are local support centres in Coventry and Leamington Spa.

Last year was the 40th Anniversary of the Society, so we hope that the contributions in your Lent Jars will assist in bringing help and support to anyone touched by this cruel disease.

If you still have your jar from last year, please continue to use it; otherwise please take a jar from home and use that to donate to the Alzheimer's Society. If anyone requires a Gift Aid form for the Alzheimer's Society, could they please contact Gill Church on 07522868524? Gill will also leave a few copies in the Church Centre foyer, which can be returned with the full jars after Easter. Gill writes: "Last year I wasn't able to collect the full jars, but I did have some donations from the Harvest Festival collection totalling £65, which I have sent on to the Alzheimer's Society."

Thank you so much for your support.

When we are allowed to- Come and enjoy breakfast in **BUBBENHALL** Village Hall!



First Saturday in the month, from 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Full English £5.00, or bacon/ sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee- priced per item. Proceeds in aid of St. Giles' Church.

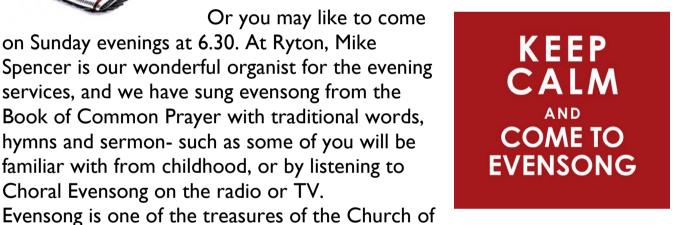
Church is not just Sunday mornings!

It's lovely to be with the rest of the church family at the main service on Sunday mornings. But sometimes, and for some people, it's impossible to be there; you simply can't make it-perhaps the 9.30 a.m. start is not possible for you and your family, either on one occasion or always. Maybe you have to take the children to the many engagements that young people have these days, maybe it's your only chance to visit elderly grandparents- there are many reasons why Sunday mornings can be impossible.



Don't forget though, that we have services at other times too: Wednesdays at 9.30 a.m. at Ryton, we have a quiet said service of Holy Communion, which lasts about 30 minutes and does not include hymns or sermon. Afterwards (when this is again allowed)we meet in the Church centre for coffee/ tea, biscuits and a chat.

Or you may like to come on Sunday evenings at 6.30. At Ryton, Mike Spencer is our wonderful organist for the evening services, and we have sung evensong from the Book of Common Prayer with traditional words, hymns and sermon- such as some of you will be familiar with from childhood, or by listening to Choral Evensong on the radio or TV.



England: a beautiful traditional liturgy of music, readings and prayers that carries you into a deeper sense of the presence of God. Words and music unite to bring the beauty of holiness to our hearts and minds as we relax into the rhythm of the service. Please join us and help to continue this 400-year-old tradition.

The pattern for our **6.30 p.m. services** is:

1st Sunday in the month: Sung evensong (Ryton)

2nd Sunday in the month: Sung evensong AT BUBBENHALL

3rd Sunday in the month: Sung evensong (Ryton)

4th Sunday in the month: Holy Communion with hymns (Ryton)



Used ink cartridges please!

The PCC has agreed to register with a scheme to recycle printer ink cartridges to raise funds for the church.

We will be putting recycling

envelopes at the back of church, so if anyone has any used cartridges they can use the envelopes to send them free of charge. The church will receive £1 for each cartridge, thus raising money for the church and helping to save the planet. Thank you very much to those who have already contributed used cartridges, but please note that we have now been informed that, unfortunately, used toner cartridges, also Brother, Epson and Kodak cartridges are not acceptable.



Thank you to all members of the Village Worship and Family Service teams who have been planning and leading some enjoyable and uplifting Family Services via Zoom, and to everyone who contributes to the services and attends them. The next Village Worship Service is scheduled for Sunday, March 14

(Mothering Sunday) via Zoom, and the morning service on March 28 will be our Palm Sunday service of Holy Communion in church. **Bubbenhall people are most welcome at all these services.**

(If possible and permissible! But we may have to have a Good Friday family service on Zoom instead) Good Friday Workshop, April 2,

10.00 - 11.30 am, in the Church Centre

Everyone is invited, young and old, to join us in activities associated with the Easter story. We will be cooking, colouring, glueing, flower arranging and constructing an Easter Garden - and of course there will be Hot Cross buns!! Come and be part of the fun! The workshop will be followed by a short, child-friendly service in church.



Thought for the Month: from our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle

There is a play called "The Sign of Jonah". It was written in 1945 by a German pastor named Geunter Rutenborn. The play begins with a group of refugees asking who's to blame for World War II.

Some say Hitler; others the munitions manufacturers. Still others say it was the apathy of the German people, but then suddenly a man says, "God is to blame". And so God is put in the dock, and tried, and found guilty.

The judge says, "The crime is so severe that there is going to have to be the worst of all sentences. Let Him become a man; let Him become a Jew; let Him see how it really is; let Him feel the leprous wounds; let Him smell our human stench; finally, let Him be falsely accused; let Him be without help, without supporting friends; and let Him die like that, forsaken by all. He himself shall die! Let Him lose a son, and suffer the agonies of fatherhood. And when at last He dies, He shall be disgraced and ridiculed. THEN HE WILL KNOW."

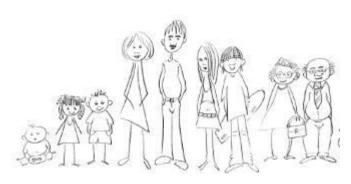
Three archangels carry out the sentence. "I, Gabriel, shall go to a virgin by the name of Mary. She shall bear him – a Jew." "I, Michael, shall go and order the heavenly hosts to let him walk on earth without any protection." "I, Raphael, shall be present when he dies, and I shall stand at his grave."

The house lights go up, and it dawns on the audience that in Jesus God has already served that sentence. He knows what it's like to live as a human being, which means there's nothing you face today that is going to be strange to God. God became what we are, so that we could understand better what God is, and we could believe with all our hearts that God understands who and what we are.

Your Churchyard: a place for peace and reflection.



Thank you to those who are continuing to maintain the churchyard in the present crisis. If you would like to help keep our churchyard looking beautiful, and providing a place for peaceful reflection for everyone, please contact Jackie Lloyd on 02476302836 or Craig Greenway on 02476 30391



Children in Church

We love having children in our churches, and there is (in normal times) always provision for them at our 9.30 a.m. services at St. Leonard's Church, Ryton. All families with babies and children are sure of a warm welcome whenever they can join us.

Families from Bubbenhall are especially welcome. All Ryton Sunday morning services start at 9.30 a.m., and the pattern is:

2nd Sunday in every month: Village Worship.

The most informal of all our services. We start in the Church Centre (warm and welcoming) with workshop activities for children, and coffee, puzzles and chat for grown ups to get to know one another. At about 10.00 we move into church for a short and child-centred service. There is no need to be there on the dot of 9.30- people drift in as soon as they can make it.

4th Sunday in every month: Family Service.

An all-age service of readings, songs and activities with everybody young and old in church together. Children always participate in the readings/ drama sketches etc. and several people bring instruments to accompany the songs. (and any other musicians among you and your children would be very welcome to join them) Tea/coffee and cake after the service in the Church Centre.

Ist and 3rd Sundays in every month: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Tea/coffee and the chance to socialise after every service. Children start the service in church with their parents, and after the first hymn go out for Sunday School activities in the Church Centre, returning to receive a blessing at the time of Communion. Parents are welcome to accompany their little ones to

Sunday School and stay with them if they lack confidence at first.

At these services, we also have a robed choir which includes older children (aged about 8 and upwards) and teenagers: anyone whose son/daughter likes singing might consider encouraging them to join the choir.



If your son/daughter might like to be part of the choir, please contact Barbara Marsh, our choir mistress on geoffandba@gmail.com (tel. 02476 304295)

We also offer the opportunity for children and young people to train to become altar servers at the Parish Communion services at both Bubbenhall and Ryton. Contact Rosemary on rbking007@btinternet.com (tel 01788 573067) about this. We value children, and make them and their parents welcome.



Village Worship and family Services- for all ages!

11.0 a.m: Holy Communion

6.30 b.m: Evensong

Bubbenhall

Ryton

Holy Week Services for our United Benefice:

Monday,	29 March	7.30 p.m: Holy Communion Ryton	
Tuesday,	30 March	7.30 p.m: Holy Communion Ryton	
Wednesday, 31 March		9.30 a.m: Holy Communion Ryton	
		7.30 p.m: Tenebrae (A service of shadows:	
		you may like to bring a torch) Ryton	
Thursday	I April Maundy Thursday	7.30 p.m. Commemoration of the Last	
		Supper, followed by "the Watch". Ryton	
Friday	2 April Good Friday	10.00 a.m: Good Friday Workshop Ryton	
		10.30 a.m: Devotional Service Baginton	
		7.30 p.m: Good Friday Liturgy Ryton	
Saturday	3 April Holy Saturday	7.30 p.m: The Easter Vigil and First	
		Communion of Easter.	
	(Including lighting the Paschal candles for all our 3 churches.) Ryton		
Sunday	4 April Easter Day	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion Bubbenhall	
		9.30 a.m: Parish Communion Ryton	
		10.00 a.m: Holy Communion Baginton	

And finally....

After the virtual service there was virtual coffee..



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