

# Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe



Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024 - First Sunday of Lent

*Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!*

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**Collect;** Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**FIRST READING; 1 Peter 3: 18-end**

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL READING; Mark 1: 9-15**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptised by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tested by Satan, and he was with the wild beasts, and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ**

**Post communion;** Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **What's on in our parish?**

**Community Equipment:** The Isle of Wight Council and Isle of Wight NHS Trust are asking residents to return unused equipment such as walking frames or sticks, crutches, bath lifts, shower seats, commodes, and toilet surrounds, hospital beds, hoists and bed transfer aids and furniture raisers to help others in need. Returned items will be cleaned, refurbished and loaned back to residents who desperately require it. Anyone with equipment should return it to the community equipment store at 19 Barry Way, Newport, PO30 5GY. The store is open Monday to Friday, 9am until 3.30pm. If you have any questions please contact them on 01983 528334.

**Volunteering:** The first training session will be held on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March at The Parish Centre starting at 2.30pm. You can call Hannah on 821961 or call into the Parish Centre if you would like more information or just to chat about what is happening and how you might be able to help us.

**Play Café:** The Minster's new Tots and Toddlers Group is open to all pre-schoolers and their parent/carers every Tuesday morning in the Parish Centre 10.30am-noon.

**Parson's Pantry:** Wednesday mornings, 10-12 noon in Carisbrooke Church Hall. Come and enjoy a chat over tea, coffee and cake. All welcome.

**St. John's Midweek Service:** takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is **Morning Prayer**.

**Singing for Fun:** Join us to sing some of your favourite songs from over the decades. Every Wednesday at 7pm in the Newport Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.

**Friday Café 10am-12.30pm:** Last Friday of the month Debbie from the Living Well and Early Help team will be available for advice, information and signposting. Everyone is very welcome to join us every Friday for hot drinks, biscuits and company in Newport Parish Centre.

**Lent Course:** This years' lent course will be run as house groups using the book 'Meeting God in Mark' by Rowan Williams. The dates for the course will be week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> March, so the course will be for three weeks. If you would be interested in hosting or leading a house group then please speak to Emma.

**Monthly Prayer Meeting:** The monthly prayer meetings will continue but on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month starting in March. The next dates will be as follows -

March 19<sup>th</sup> at the home of Steve & Marian Brett-Hill (14 Mount Pleasant Road, Newport, PO30 1EU)

April 16<sup>th</sup> at the home of Peter & Ethne Whitlock (5 Goldcrest Close, Carisbrooke, PO30 5FX).

**Knitting Chicks:** We are knitting chicks to stuff with a small Easter egg for the Food Bank to be delivered to your church/Parish Centre by Easter. Please see below the chick pattern.

Chick garter (plain) stitch Pattern:- Number 10 needles. Cast on 34 stitches. Knit 2 rows. Increase 1 stitch at beginning of each row until 48 stitches. Knit 3 rows. Cast off 12 stitches at start of next 2 rows (24 stitches). Knit 12 rows. Thread wool through and pull tight. Sew seams, leaving an opening at the bottom to put the egg inside.

**Spring Talk:** After our series of talks last autumn we are pleased to announce we have another talk planned for 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm with Gary Newman from The Commonwealth War Grave Commission. Bookings being taken now, please contact [admin@cofeheartofwight.org](mailto:admin@cofeheartofwight.org) or Vicky 01983 821961.