

Would you like to sponsor the tower floodlighting?

If you would like to sponsor the tower for a minimum donation of £10 for a night in celebration or remembrance - in a colour of your choice, please ask Mthr V or James for a sponsorship form. **Please check the date is free with Mthr V before paying or committing your heart!**

Electoral Roll

This year we must renew the electoral roll. If you wish to be on the new electoral roll, you must fill in a form and give it to Claire or Mthr V, even if you are currently on the Electoral Roll. Forms will be available from Claire, or from the Church Wardens

Wax... any candle ends for recycling?

Do you use candles at home, and throw the candle ends in the bin? Why not bring them for recycling? Please pop them in a bag and give them to Mthr V.

Today's Palm Crosses

are from the *African Palms Project*. This project was begun in 1965 by Fr. Alan Talbot, an Anglican Priest who served for 6 years as a missionary in the diocese of Masasi Tanzania. The palm crosses are made from dried branches of the dwarf palm, *Hyphanea Coriacea*, which grow wild in the area, so are not cultivated, or chemically treated. No trees are cut down, only leaves collected. The work of making the palm crosses does not interfere with the villagers' normal work of producing the food they need to live; it provides some much-needed additional income. The crosses are sent once a year to the UK, from where they are packed and sorted for delivery in this country. Profit is used for health and education projects in the Masasi area. Previous projects have included water projects, hostels, and safehouses, work on dispensaries, school equipment and schools for additional needs.

Easter Flowers

Chris Adshead and Sue Hall will be in Church on Holy Saturday morning, if you would like to give a hand with arranging flowers. Also any donations welcome to meet the cost of Easter Flowers.

Questions / Contact?

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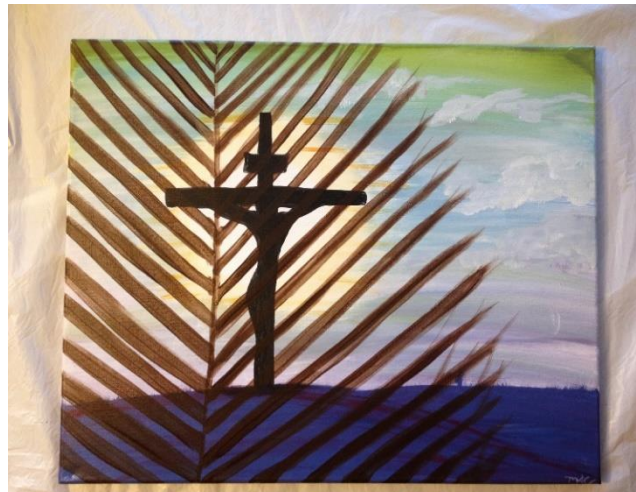
Website: [S. Peter's Church, Cradley - A Church Near You](#)

S. Peter's Notice Sheet



24th March 2024

Palm Sunday



In This Week's Gospel...

Jesus enters Jerusalem, and enters our hearts... let us open our hearts to the Lord who will walk with us, to and through the Cross

*Lord, who came, riding on a donkey,
give us the trust to bear you as she did, that mother
of a foal.*

Let us gaze on these crosses in thanksgiving.

Let us gaze on them in hope.

*Let us place them in our windows, in our prayer
space, in our hearts.*

*To shine out, with your love,
a message of hope and peace.*

Holding, transforming, breathing life.

*Let us hold your cross,
and know it will hold us*

*For in you is our life and our light.
In you will be our Eastering.*

gluten free?

If you need a gluten free wafer at communion, please let the churchwardens or welcomers know

T loop

Please set your hearing aid to T-Loop to take best advantage of our sound system



Easter Eggs

Cynthia is co-ordinating the collection of Easter Eggs again – around 140g size is ideal, to be left at the back of Church. These will be passed on to the Women's Refuge to bring a little resurrection joy where things are really tough.

Safeguarding survey

The Diocese is soon to have an external audit on its (and therefore our) safeguarding practise – and have asked if we can all fill in this safeguarding survey. There are a range of surveys depending on role, and background etc. This link takes you to the survey menu. Mthr V has done two of them and neither took longer than ten minutes. **Please** do complete them if you are able.

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/can-you-help-us-improve-safeguarding-in-the-diocese.php>

ADCM 14th April 5pm, followed by evening prayer – bring & share food

Please put this date in your diary, and do come to celebrate our amazing church, to have your voice in voting, and to share in thanksgiving worship together.

Revd Mel's licensing

Bishop Martin will be pleased to license The Revd Melissa Beynon as Rector of the Benefice of Ribbesford w Bewdley & Dowles & Wribbenhall on Sunday 2nd June at 4.00 pm at St Anne, Bewdley.

Children's First Holy Communion

Meetings will be for 45 minutes each at 10am:
Saturday April 20th 10am

Saturday May 4th, 18th and 25th

Children will be admitted into First Holy Communion on Trinity Sunday with a certificate and blessing. Please do speak with Mthr V if your child (over seven years old) might be interested.

Adult preparation for Baptism

Meetings will be for 1 hour each at 5.30pm:
May 2nd, 9th, 16th

All are welcome if exploring baptism, thinking about confirmation, or if you just want to explore the stories and beliefs of our faith together. Please let Mthr V know if you are interested.

Pop up Choir for Easter!

We have been having a lot of fun together, preparing for Easter Day

Final Practise : This Sunday 24th March 8.45 – 9.15am

Worship for Holy Week & Easter

Please do come to as much of this worship as you can, and journey with our Lord who poured himself out for us

Palm Sunday: 9.30am Holy Communion with Procession of Palms and Dramatic Gospel Reading

Holy Monday: 7pm Holy Communion with Compline at S. Kenelm's Church Hall

Holy Tuesday: 7.30am Half hour said Holy Communion at S. Margaret's followed by tea and toast also **7pm Holy Communion with compline at S. Peter, Lapal**

Holy Wednesday: 7pm Said Mass at S. Margaret's followed by Compline

Online Compline 9pm Mthr. Victoria Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/victoria.barlow.750>

Holy Thursday: 7pm Holy Communion with footwashing, stripping of the altars, and vigil.
This worship will be an hour and a half long, but is one of the most beautiful heart-moving liturgies of the Christian Year.

After this worship anyone is welcome who would like to join together walking the Blessed Sacrament from Cradley to Hasbury, ready for the Good Friday ante-communion service there.

We welcome our sisters and brothers from S. Margaret's for this worship.

Good Friday: 9.30 – 11am children's activities
12 noon: prayers at the foot of the Cross
2pm: Good Friday Liturgy at **S. Margarets**

Easter Eve: 6.30pm at S. Margaret's First Communion of Easter with the Easter Fire, the Exultet, sharing the story of our faith in scripture, renewal of baptism vows and followed by party refreshments. *This service will be an hour and a half long, but is worth every moment, as we celebrate with joy with our Risen Lord*

Easter Day: 8.30am First Holy Communion of Easter with Easter Fire. Followed by Parish Breakfast, all are welcome.

Easter Octave: Holy Communion every day around the parish, will be published separately.

Good Friday: Experience Easter

Can you help lead a station, welcome, or serve refreshments at Experience Easter for the Good Friday Activities. 9.30am – 11am. Scripts and activities all provided – sign up sheet at the back