



Please Pray for

...those who are unwell, including: **Rosemary Walker, Debbie Arthur, Jeanine, Maggie and Neil, Karen** (and husband **Tim**), (all having cancer treatment), **Joey Flood** (post Hip Op), **Billy Lawson** (brain injuries), **Gwyneth Page, Wendy Rowe, Wendy Simpson** (broken shoulder), **Mavis Eastwood, Lynda Playle** (Clare Durham's Mum) and **John Burton** (in hospital)
 ...those who have died, including: **Brian Hughes** (Sherfield English), **Peter Gain** (formerly Wellow – funeral 2nd April), **Peter Gregson** (memorial service 3rd May), **Howard Green** (memorial service 5th April) and **Jean Shrimpton**

Holy Week recalls the last momentous week in Jesus' life: **Palm Sunday** – his ride into Jerusalem on a donkey; **Monday to Wednesday** – the cleansing of the Temple of corrupt traders, the debates with religious leaders, the anointing of his body by a woman, the plotting of his death by Judas; **Maundy Thursday** – the washing of the disciples' feet, and the Last Supper; **Good Friday** – his arrest, trial, crucifixion and burial.

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for each Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Mark 11:1-11	<i>Jesus enters Jerusalem</i>
Monday	John 12:1-11	<i>Jesus anointed at Bethany</i>
Tuesday	Psalms 71:1-14	<i>Deliver me, O God</i>
Wednesday	John 13:21-32	<i>Jesus predicts his betrayal</i>
Thursday	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	<i>The service of Christ</i>
Friday	John 18:1-19:42	<i>The passion and death of Jesus</i>
Saturday	Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24	<i>In God I hope</i>
Sunday	Mark 16:1-8	<i>Christ is risen!</i>

Scripture Verse for this Week: This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:24)

A Morning Prayer: Lord Jesus, please change our attitude to be like yours, so that we put others before ourselves. Amen. (Philippians 2:5-8)

An Evening Prayer: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! (Mark 11:9-10)

A Blessing to Give: May God give you an humble attitude like that of his Son, and bless you as his servant. Amen.



Readings for 31st March – Easter Day

Isaiah 25:6-9 or Acts 10:34-43#; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43#; Mark 16:1-8 #Acts must be one of the readings (replacing OT or NT Reading)

If you have a particular request for prayer please mention this to the Rector
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If you would like a copy of these notices sent to you by email, please ask the Rector



East Dean, East Tytherley, Lockerley, Sherfield English, Wellow & West Tytherley

The Thorngate and Blackwater Churches

News and Notices – 24th to 31st March



Pietro Di Giovanni D'Ambrogio - Entry of Christ into Jerusalem 1435-40

Sunday 24th March – Palm Sunday

8.15am	Communion (BCP) at Wellow
9am	Eucharist at West Tytherley
9.15am	Matins (BCP) at Wellow
10.30am	Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
10.30am	Eucharist at Lockerley
11am	Morning Prayer at Sherfield English
6pm	Evensong (BCP) at East Dean
9pm	Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29	Philippians 2:5-11	Mark 11:1-11
God stands with the teacher who, though experiencing violence, is not shamed by it.	Paul tells that Jesus did not cling to status and that God treasured him.	Mark shows how the crowds greeted Jesus as he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

Monday to Saturday

9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Monday 25th March

7pm Simple Communion at Wellow

Tuesday 26th March

7pm Simple Communion at West Tytherley

Wednesday 27th March

9am Eucharist at Lockerley

7pm Simple Communion at Sherfield English

Thursday 28th March – Maundy Thursday

9am Lockerley School End of Term Service in Church

10.30am West Tytherley End of Term Service in Church

7pm Silent Communion in Lockerley

Friday 29th March – Good Friday

Noon-3pm Vigil at East Dean

6pm Cross of Christ in Lockerley Church

Sunday 31st March – Easter

6am Dawn Vigil and Eucharist at East Tytherley (in the field)

9am Easter Communion (BCP) at East Dean

9.15am Easter Communion at Wellow

10.30am Easter Eucharist at Lockerley

10.30am Easter Eucharist at West Tytherley

10.30am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

11am Easter Communion at Sherfield English

9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



Charities of the Month

March 2024



Even though 1 in 4 people have mental health problems, most of us don't get the help we need. This has to change. **Mind** is here to fight for mental health. For support, for respect, for you. When you're experiencing a mental health problem, supportive and reliable information can change your life. **Mind** empowers people to understand their mental health and the choices available to them.

Young Minds is the UK's leading charity fighting for children and young people's mental health. They want to see a world where no young person feels alone with their mental health, and all young people get the mental health support they need, when they need it, no matter what. Through a reassuring conversation, specialist mental health support, or simply the knowledge that they are not alone in how they are feeling, they will make sure that all young people get support as quickly as possible.

More details from www.mind.org.uk and www.youngminds.org.uk

(Collection Baskets in each church or drop donations in to the Vicarage)

Holy Week and Easter Services:

Please take the opportunity to come and prepare for Easter.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday – Simple Evening Communion

Services at different churches around the Benefice

Maundy Thursday – A Silent Communion at **Lockerley**

Good Friday – a 3-hour vigil at **East Dean**

remembering the 3 hours that Christ spent on the cross. This will be a service where all ages can come and go, arriving and leaving when they please. There will be quiet, music and words to help our reflections. In the evening come to **Lockerley** (6pm) where the choir will be leading 'The Cross of Christ' - the story of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross told through hymns, anthems and bible readings.

(Duration approx 1 hour).

Easter Sunday - The early morning service combines: a Vigil (waiting for Dawn outside the church); with the Service of Light (with lighting of new 'Paschal Candle'); a reminder about Baptism (in the early Church Easter was the only time for baptisms) and an Easter Communion. This will be followed by a light, celebratory breakfast



	7 th April	14 th April	21 st April	28 th April
East Dean	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	6pm (BCP) Evensong
East Tytherley	-	9.30am Short but Sweet	11am Eucharist	-
Lockerley	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration*	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration	1030am Eucharist *
Sherfield English	11am Communion	11am Morning Prayer	11am Family Service	11am Morning Prayer
West Tytherley	10am Service of the Word	8am (BCP) Communion	9am (BCP) Matins	9am Eucharist
Wellow	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am(BCP) Matins

*Please support Fairtrade - goods on sale at back of Lockerley Church (1st & 4th Sundays)