Glossop Parish Church of All Saints Newsletter: Friday, 15th March 2024

A Message from our Priest-in-Charge

I was reminded recently that tomorrow, Saturday, 16th March 2024, would have been Canon Peter Henry Heath's 100th birthday. Canon Peter Heath faithfully served the Church in Glossop from 1966 until his retirement in 1992. Many people in Glossop remember him with affection. When I conduct baptism, wedding or funeral services I often meet people who were baptised by Canon Peter, or whose parents were married by him, or who attended the Duke of Norfolk Primary School when he took services at the school.

In his first letter to the Christians in the city of Corinth, the Apostle Paul likens the Church to a building. The foundation of the building is Jesus Christ, and those called to be ministers of the Church are like master builders, each working to enlarge the building. The Apostle Paul warns the Christians in the city of Corinth, 'Each builder must choose with care how to build on the foundation stone' because 'the work of each builder will become visible'. Some builders are using gold, silver or precious stones to enlarge the building; their work will endure. Other builders are using wood, hay, or straw; their work will not endure.

After our Parish Eucharist on Sunday, 17th March 2024 we hold the two annual meetings to elect lay ministers to serve the Church for the coming year: Churchwardens and members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). These ministers are vital to the life of our parish. The PCC has the responsibility, along with me as Priest-in-Charge, of promoting the mission of God in the parish. The PCC is also legally responsible for parish finances. In addition the PCC is legally responsible for the care and maintenance of the church building and its contents, although these responsibilities are executed by the Churchwardens.

As we celebrate the faithfulness of ministers like Canon Peter Heath – and those who served alongside him, for example as Churchwardens and PCC members – let us pray that in our day God will continue to call ministers to serve the Church.

Prayer

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Parish Business – Annual Meetings: Sunday, 17th March

The Meeting for the Election of Churchwardens will be held in the church building, on Sunday, 17th March 2024 at 12 noon following the Parish Eucharist. This meeting will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to elect members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and to receive reports on the life of the parish.

Forms for nominating Churchwardens and PCC members are available from John Maltby (PCC Secretary), to whom completed forms should be returned.

Easter Peg Hunt: Saturday, 23rd March



Recital in aid of A Rocha: Sunday, 24th March

Local soprano Adrienne Pyne and pianist Stephenie Leung are holding an 'Art Song Recital' at Glossop Parish Church at 4pm on Sunday, 24th March 2024.

Admission to the Recital is free, and donations are in aid of A Rocha, a Christian charity working to protect and restore the natural world. An important aspect of the work of A Rocha in the UK is the Eco Church programme which equips churches to care for creation.



Holy Week at Glossop Parish Church of All Saints

Through our participation in the sequence of services in Holy Week we are invited to reflect on Christ's own journey – from triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to crucifixion on Good Friday – to bring 'salvation' to the world.

Palm Sunday: 10.30am Parish Eucharist

We participate in a liturgical enactment of the Palm Gospel and the Passion Gospel in which the whole story of Holy Week is anticipated. As we hear the stories of Jesus and his disciples in the days leading up to his death, we are invited to consider again our own discipleship.



Monday, 25th March: 7pm Stations of the Cross
We are offered an opportunity to reflect through images, prose, poetry, and silence on Jesus' path to the Cross.

Tuesday, 26th March: 7pm Tenebrae

Through readings, hymns and prayers we hear the story of Jesus' suffering. The most conspicuous feature of *Tenebrae* (Latin for 'shadows' or 'darkness') is the gradual extinguishing of lights until only a single light, a symbol of Christ – the light of the world, remains in the darkness.

Wednesday, 27th March: 12 noon Midweek Eucharist
In this most holy of weeks we gather to be encountered by God through Word and Sacrament.

Maundy Thursday, 28th March: 7pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and the Vigil We recall Christ's humble service demonstrated in his washing of his disciples' feet, his institution of the Eucharist, the meal to which all are invited, and the perfection of his loving obedience through the agony

of Gethsemane.

Good Friday, 29th March: 12 noon The Liturgy of the Passion After keeping vigil, Maundy Thursday passes into Good Friday. The church has been stripped of all decoration: it is bare and empty. In these surroundings the Liturgy of the Passion reminds us simply and starkly of the price of Jesus' obedience.



Help us celebrate summer in our Churchyard!

Last summer we celebrated summer by hanging planters containing summer-flowering plants and herbs on the railings alongside Church Walk. Can you help us this year? Contact Bee Oliver (email: birtedar@yahoo.co.uk) for information.

Calendar

^{&#}x27;Peace and Quiet' available from 3rd Wednesday monthly to download.

Cat 16th Mar	0.20am Lant Study Craun
Sat., 16th Mar.	9.30am Lent Study Group
	9.30am Diocesan Synod (Derby) [DM]
6 471 14	10am to 12 noon Church open
Sun., 17th Mar.	10.30am Parish Eucharist
5 th Sunday of Lent	Hebrews 5.5.10 & John 12.20-33
	12 noon Election of Churchwardens and Annual Church Meeting [NS at Hayfield]
	4.30pm Psalms for Living and Praying (Whitfield, St James)
	5.30pm Solemn Vespers (All Saints RC Church)
Mon., 18th Mar.	11am Funeral: Frank Sidebottom RIP (Worsley's Chapel of Rest)
Wed., 20th Mar.	9am Duke of Norfolk Primary School Collective Worship [DM]
	12 noon Midweek Eucharist – Joseph of Nazareth (tr)
	2pm Royal British Legion (Glossop) Committee meeting [NS]
	'Peace and Quiet' available to download
Thu., 21st Mar.	1pm Deanery Leadership Team meeting [DM]
	7pm Lent Service at Dinting Vale, Holy Trinity
Fri., 22nd Mar.	4pm Celtic Christian Gathering for the Spring Equinox
Sat., 23rd Mar.	9.30am Lent Study Group
	10am to 12 noon Church open
	2pm to 4pm Easter Peg Hunt (Howard Park)
Sun., 24th Mar.	10.30am Parish Eucharist
Palm Sunday	Mark 11.1-11; 14.1-26 & 27-72, 15.1-32 & 33-47
	[DM at Hadfield, NS at Hayfield]
	4pm 'The Land of Lost Content' (Recital in aid of A Rocha)
	5.30pm Solemn Vespers (All Saints RC Church)
Mon., 25th Mar.	7pm Stations of the Cross
Tue., 26th Mar.	2.30pm Service at The Risings [CN]
	7pm Tenebrae
Wed., 27th Mar.	12 noon Midweek Eucharist
Thu., 28th Mar.	2pm Duke of Norfolk Primary School Easter Service in Church
Maundy Thursday	7pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and the Vigil
Fri., 29th Mar.	12 noon The Liturgy of the Passion
Sat., 30th Mar.	9.30am Morning Prayer for Holy Saturday
	Newsletter and Details of Services: Friday, 15 th March 2024

^{&#}x27;Service to Say at Home' available weekly from Saturday to download.