

Glossop Parish Church of All Saints

Newsletter: Friday, 29th March 2024

A Message from our Priest-in-Charge

Over the course of Holy Week the story of the last week of Jesus' life is told a number of times: the entry into Jerusalem, the disputes with the religious leaders, the 'Last Supper' with his friends, his betrayal, and his trial and subsequent execution, his burial. In Holy Week the pace slows down, focusing on this one week. As we hear the story we might imagine ourselves in the story: a disciple following Jesus into Jerusalem; a bystander in the Temple watching the religious leaders in dispute with Jesus; someone in the wrong place at the wrong time when Pilate addresses the crowd; a friend of Blessed Mary watching her son being taken away to be executed; one of the sons of Simon Cyrene watching him being forced to carry the cross; the shopkeeper from whom Joseph of Arimathea bought myrrh and aloes.

As we imagine ourselves in the story we might reflect on the connections between this story and the stories we hear in our everyday lives – stories told by family and friends, stories told through the media: stories of hope and of despair; stories of compassion and of hatred; stories of trust and of betrayal; stories of flourishing and of neglect.

The Revd Dr David Mundy

Prayer

Simon from Cyrene was forced to carry the cross for your Son: give us grace to lift heavy loads from those we meet and to stand with those condemned to die.

Your Son watched the soldiers gamble to share his clothes: transform the hearts of those who make a profit from their victims, and those whose hearts are hardened by their work.

The thief who was crucified with Jesus was promised a place in your kingdom: give pardon and hope, healing and peace to all who look death in the face.

From the cross Jesus entrusted Mary his mother and John his disciple to each other's care: help us to care for one another and fill our homes with the spirit of your love.

The centurion was astonished to recognise your glory in the crucified Messiah: open the minds of those who do not know you to grasp in your Son the meaning of life and death.

Joseph of Arimathea came to take your son's body away: give hope and faith to the dying and bereaved, gentleness to those who minister to them, and courage to those whose faith is secret.

Recital in aid of A Rocha: thank you!

On Sunday, 24th March local soprano Adrienne Pyne and pianist Stephenie Leung held an 'Art Song Recital' at Glossop Parish Church of All Saints. Giving their time and skills generously, admission to the Recital was free, with donations going to support the work of [A Rocha](#), a Christian charity working to equip Christians and churches to protect and restore the environment – for God, nature and all people. A Rocha aim to inspire individuals and families, equip churches and church leaders, build partnerships, and manage land for nature and people.



In response to Adrienne's and Stephanie's generosity, those attending the Recital generously gave a total of £300 to support the work of A Rocha. Thank you!

To make a donation to support the work of A Rocha, either make a cheque payable to 'A Rocha UK' and place it in the collection or give online by visiting their website: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/21221#!/DonationDetails>

Prayer

In a world whose web of life is intricate and beautiful,
save us, Lord, from carelessness and blindness.

In a world whose creatures are so varied and vulnerable,
save us, Lord, from plundering and cruelty.

In a world whose waters are fresh and whose oceans should cleanse,
save us, Lord, from wanton polluting.

In a world whose forests protect our air and wild-life,
save us, Lord, from the systems that drive us to destroy them.

In a world whose fruits are rich and plentiful,
save us, Lord, from waste and greed.

Angela Ashwin

Blossom and Bloomtown in Greater Manchester

Research conducted for the [Mental Health Foundation](#) shows that our relationship with nature – how much we notice, think about and appreciate our natural surroundings – is critical in supporting good mental health and preventing distress.

The National Trust, in collaboration with other organisations, have created five ‘blossom trails’ that will take you on an adventure through floral hotspots across Greater Manchester. Using the [digital map](#), click a route to discover a host of nature around the city, from pocket parks to canalside walks.



For example, starting at Castlefield Viaduct, the ‘City Centre’ trail visits green spaces in 15 unexpected places around the centre of Manchester. Each ‘floral hotspot’ has a plaque telling you a little about the place you’re standing and the nature around you. There’s also a QR code linking directly to the digital map so you can find your next spot wherever you are.

A recyclable paper copy of the Bloomtown map is also available at Manchester Central Library, Castlefield Viaduct, local National Trust properties (Quarry Bank, Dunham Massey, Lyme), and other locations in Manchester.

Prayer

We give thanks for the gift of life from the dust of the ground,
and for the new life that rises from the dust of death.

As all things hold together in Christ, who died on the cross and rose to new life,
may we and all creation be released from decay and renewed in his image.

Diocese of Newcastle

Prayer

At this time of new life, we praise you for the power of your creation.
The resurrection of Christ proclaims the promised re-creation of the universe.
In the blossom of trees and the birth of animals,
help us to celebrate your many gifts of springing hope and fresh beginnings.

Diocese of Newcastle

Calendar

'Service to Say at Home' available weekly from Saturday to [download](#).

'Peace and Quiet' available from 3rd Wednesday monthly to [download](#).

Fri., 29th Mar.	12 noon The Liturgy of the Passion
Sat., 30th Mar.	9.30am Morning Prayer for Holy Saturday 10am to 12 noon Church open 7.30pm Easter Vigil at All Saints RC Church
Sun., 31st Mar. <i>Easter Day</i>	10.30am Parish Eucharist <i>Acts 10.34-43 & John 20.1-18 or Mark 16.1-8</i> [CN at Hadfield, NS at Gamesley]
Wed., 3rd Apr.	10.30am Service at Pennine View Care Home [CN] 12 noon Midweek Eucharist
Thu., 4th Apr.	12 noon Funeral: John Fletcher RIP
Sat., 6th Apr.	10am to 12 noon Church open
Sun., 7th Apr. <i>Easter 2</i>	8am Glossopdale Holy Communion (BCP) (Hadfield, St Andrew) 10.30am Parish Eucharist <i>Acts 4.32-35 & John 20.19-end</i>
Tue., 9th Apr.	2pm Service at Pendlebury Court [CN]
Wed., 10th Apr.	10am Holy Communion (Hadfield, St Andrew) [CN] 12 noon Midweek Eucharist – <i>Annunciation (tr)</i> 2pm Service at Whitfield House [CN]
Fri., 12th Apr.	1pm Funeral: Stanley Micklethwaite RIP
Sat., 13th Apr.	10am to 12 noon Church open
Sun., 14th Apr. <i>Easter 3</i>	10.30am Parish Eucharist <i>Acts 3.12-19 & Luke 24.36b-48</i> 12.30pm Baptism
Wed., 17th Apr.	9am Duke of Norfolk Primary School Collective Worship [DM] 12 noon Midweek Eucharist 2pm Royal British Legion (Glossop) Committee meeting [NS] 7.30pm Deanery Synod (Chapel-en-le-Frith Primary School) 'Peace and Quiet' available to download
Sat., 20th Apr.	10am to 12 noon Church open
Sun., 21st Apr. <i>Easter 4</i>	10.30am Parish Eucharist <i>Acts 4.5-12 & John 10.11-18</i> 3pm Licensing Service: Revd Martin Griffin – Edensor / Beeley
Tue., 23rd Apr.	2.30pm Service at The Risings [CN] 6pm Duke of Norfolk Primary School Governing Board
Wed., 24th Apr.	9am Duke of Norfolk Primary School Collective Worship [DM] 10am Holy Communion (Hadfield, St Andrew) [NS] 12 noon Midweek Eucharist – <i>Mark the Evangelist (tr)</i>
Sat., 27th Apr.	10am to 12 noon Church open