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



# Sunday 17th March 2024 - Fifth 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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<u>Collect</u>: Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### FIRST READING; Hebrews 5: 5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son;

today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered, and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

## GOSPEL READING; John 12: 20-33

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

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour."

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

<u>Post communion</u>; Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

## What's on in our parish?

<u>Play Café:</u> 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.

<u>Parson's Pantry:</u> Wednesday mornings, 10-12 noon in Carisbrooke Church Hall. Enjoy a chat over tea, coffee and cake. All welcome.

<u>St. John's Midweek Service:</u> takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is **Holy Communion**.

<u>Singing for Fun:</u> Join us to sing some of your favourite songs from over the decades. Every Wednesday at 7pm in the Newport Parish Centre.

Friday Café 10am-12.30pm at Parish Centre: Everyone welcome.

<u>Lent Course:</u> Our Lent course will be running soon using the book 'Meeting God in Mark' by Rowan Williams:

- Mon 18th March @ 7pm at the Parish Centre Conference Room, led by Steph Taylor.
- Tues 19th March @ 10am at Pete & Ethne's house.
- Tues 19th March @ 2pm at Anne & Peter Hewitt's house, led by Richard Smout. 84 Clatterford Rd, Carisbrooke.
- Fri 22nd March @ 2pm, led by Steve Brett-Hill (venue TBC).

Please do come along to the group that suits you. Just make sure you buy a copy of the book before you go!

<u>Monthly Prayer Meeting:</u> The monthly prayer meetings will continue but on the 3rd Tuesday of every month starting in March at 7pm. 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), then April 16<sup>th</sup> at the home of Peter & Ethne Whitlock (5 Goldcrest Close, Carisbrooke, PO30 5FX).

<u>Minster cleaning:</u> If you are looking to throw out any clean but stained or holey fabrics such as tea towels or t-shirts that might make a good duster please consider donating them to the Parish Centre. Volunteers will be helping us do lots of dusting in the next month in preparation for re-opening and this will help us cut down on costs and re-use fabrics. If you are handy with a duster - please let Janet or the Parish Office know as we would welcome your help.

<u>Coffee Morning:</u> Friends of Carisbrooke Church are having a coffee morning with sales tables on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 10am-12 noon in the Carisbrooke Church Hall. All welcome.

<u>Joint Service:</u> Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March will be a Joint service starting at 10am in St. Nicholas in Castro (in Carisbrooke Castle) followed by Holy Communion in St. Mary's Church at 10.30am.

<u>Spring Talk:</u> 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm with Gary Newman from The Commonwealth War Grave Commission. Bookings being taken - contact admin@cofeheartofwight.org or Vicky 01983 821961.

On Maundy Thursday (March 28<sup>th</sup>): St Olave's are holding a Lenten Soup Supper at 6pm, to be followed by a Holy Communion Service. Please contact Jill Webster (jill.webster@outlook.com or ring 01983 721483).

<u>We need you!</u>: Our APCM will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the Minster. There are several vacancies across the parish that need to be filled this year including PCC vacancies, Churchwarden vacancies at St John's, Newport Minster and St Olave's, Treasurer for the Parish, Treasurer for St Olave's, PCC Secretary for the parish. Please do consider whether you would be able to fill one of these much needed roles across the parish.

<u>Parish Sunflower growing competition:</u> There are a few envelopes of seeds available for each church to try and grow the tallest sunflower. Winning individual and church will be announced at Harvest.