

ANGLESEY GROUP OF PARISHES
Holy Trinity, Bottisham; St Mary's, Quay; St James', Lode;
St Mary's, Swaffham Bulbeck; St Mary's, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 10 March – Mothering Sunday/Fourth Sunday of Lent, Purple

9am **Online service**
10.30am **Holy Communion**
Family Worship

on Zoom
Quay, welcoming Revd Bob Politt; posies for ladies
Swaffham Prior, welcoming Beavers; posies for ladies

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All in need of God's healing power including: Morag Lake, Derek, Rosemary, Lesley, John, Alun, Janet, Margaret, Gerard, Corinne, and others known to us personally. Giving thanks for those who have been on this list, have recovered and are grateful for our prayers and God's grace
- In thanksgiving for the lives of the recently departed, including **Margaret Lowe**, funeral - St Mary's, Quay, Monday 25 March, 11am; thinking of Colin; **Lynn Reed**; remembering family and friends
- For all mums and all who care for others; for those who cannot be with their mothers today for whatever reason
- All who are struggling with fertility issues

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 17 March, Fifth Sunday of Lent, Purple

9am Online service, on Zoom
Morning Prayer, Quay
10.30am Holy Communion, Swaffham Bulbeck
Morning Prayer, Bottisham

HOLY WEEK

Sunday 24 March – Palm Sunday

9am Online service, on Zoom
10.30am Holy Communion, Swaffham Prior

Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 March

6pm Compline, Swaffham Bulbeck

Thursday 28 March – Maundy Thursday

10.30am Holy Communion, Lode

Friday 29 March - Good Friday

10.30am Open Air Service, Quay Churchyard

Easter Sunday

9am Online service, on Zoom
10.30am Holy Communion, Bottisham
6pm Choral Evensong, Swaffham Prior

Every Thursday

10.30am Holy Communion, Lode

Donations for Easter lilies in memory of loved ones may be sent to:

Bottisham: Carolyn Bangs 01223 811159
Lode: Ann Langran 01223 812797
Swaffham Prior: Ruth Scovil The Oaks, Manor Farm Court

The Acting Bishop of Ely is pleased to announce that The Revd Malcolm Eric (Max) Osborne is to be Incumbent (Vicar) of the Anglesey Group. Max will be licensed in the forthcoming months and will move to his new Vicarage in Bottisham in the Summer ready to take up his new position. We look forward to your support during the continued vacancy and as we work to welcome Revd Max and his family to the benefice

Annual Meeting for all Parishes
Thursday 18 April, Swaffham Prior Primary School
at 7.15pm for refreshments, 7.30pm start
Part 1 on benefice matters, followed by Part 2 on parish matters
(Quay – Wednesday 17 April 7.30pm, the Hut behind Village Hall)
Elections for Churchwardens will take place at
Annual Vestry Meetings in advance of this

REGULAR EVENTS

- **Play + Praise** – Weekly in term time in church; Fridays in Lode; Baby and Toddler Playgroup on Tuesdays in Bottisham, 9.30am
 - **CbyC: a short contemplative service:** Monthly on first Wednesday, 8pm on Zoom
- Bible Study/Prayer Groups**
- Home Study Group, monthly on first Monday, 10.30am Mike Procter, mike@procter.com
 - Bible Study, meet twice a month, 7.30pm contact Liz Butler for more information, lizbutl@gmail.com

LENT GROUPS, LUNCHES, COMPLINE

The Mystery of Everything - Tuesdays to 19 March in Parish Room at Lode Church or **Thursdays to 14 March** on Zoom at 7:30 pm. We'll be rounding off our Lent Course with a **Bring and Share supper** on Thursday 21 March at 7.30pm. It will incorporate the last session of our Lent Course, but is open to everyone, whether or not you attended the other sessions. Please book in advance by email to juliesale0@gmail.com, copied to lizbult@gmail.com

Lent Lunch – in support of projects in Mara:
Wednesday 20 March
booking essential admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk

Compline during Lent - 7pm on Zoom, using Sunday link:
Wednesdays 13, 20 March

Saturday 16 March - **Jumble Sale**, St James', Lode 2-4pm
Refreshments available.

Thursday 21 March – **Mothers' Union**, Passage Hall, Lode, 2.30pm
Spring Social with a bring-and-buy sale

While the Benefice is in vacancy, please contact your churchwarden as follows:

Bottisham: bottisham@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; 01223 604019; **Lode:** lode@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; 01223 811222
Quay: quy@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; 01223 812652; **Swaffham Bulbeck:** bulbeck@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; 01223 812525; 01223 811501; **Swaffham Prior:** prior@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; 01638 743937

For general enquiries: admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk; churchwardens@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk
Facebook: www.facebook.com/angleseychurches; A Church Near You: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7380/benefice>

Readings for Sunday 10 March

Collect

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Prayer After Communion

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of
eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament – Exodus 2 1 -10

¹A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. ⁵The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. ⁷Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' ⁸Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. ⁹Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because,' she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Psalms 34 11-20

- 11 Come, my children, and ¹listen to ¹me; ♦
I will ¹teach you the ¹fear • of the ¹Lord.
- 12 Who is there who de¹lights in ¹life ♦
and longs for ¹days to en¹joy good ¹things?
- 13 Keep your ¹tongue from ¹evil ♦
and your ¹lips from ¹lying ¹words.
- 14 Turn from evil ¹and do ¹good; ♦
seek ¹peace ¹and pur¹sue it.
- 15 The eyes of the Lord are up¹on the ¹righteous ♦
and his ears are ¹open ¹to their ¹cry.
- 16 The face of the Lord is against ¹those who do ¹evil,
♦
to root out the re¹membrance • of them ¹from the ¹earth.
- 17 The righteous cry and the ¹Lord ¹hears them ♦
and delivers them ¹out of ¹all their ¹troubles.
- 18 The Lord is near to the ¹broken¹hearted ♦
and will save ¹those • who are ¹crushed in ¹spirit.
- 19 Many are the ¹troubles • of the ¹righteous; ♦
from them ¹all • will the ¹Lord de¹liver them.
- 20 He keeps ¹all their ¹bones, ♦
so that not ¹one of ¹them is ¹broken.

Glory to the Father and ¹to the ¹Son ♦ and ¹to the ¹Holy
¹Spirit;

as it was in the be¹ginning is ¹now ♦ and shall be for ¹ever.
¹A¹men

New Testament – 2 Corinthians 1 3-7

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, ⁴who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. ⁵For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. ⁶If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. ⁷Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

Gospel - Luke 2 33-35

³³The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'