

## Contactless Giving

We now have a contactless giving option at St. Mary's. This will be very useful when people do not have cash with them. Please speak to Phil Sloggett or one of the Churchwardens if you would like to know more about this.

## Revision of Electoral Rolls

The Church Electoral Rolls at both St. Mary's and Holy Spirit need to be revised ahead of the respective APCM's which will be held on Sunday 14th April (St. Mary's) and Sunday 21st April (Holy Spirit). Any new applications to join the Roll need to be received at St. Mary's by today, Sunday 24th March, and at Holy Spirit by next Sunday, 31st March. Any received after these dates will not be added to the rolls until after the APCM's. Any amendments to the existing Rolls need to be made before these dates. Please see the notice on the notice boards in both Churches for further details.

## Saturday Club

The Saturday afternoon club meets during School Term times and meets again after Easter on Saturday 6th April, in St. Mary's Church Hall between 2pm and 5pm. Volunteers are required to help Stephen, but nobody is expected to come every week.

Please email Stephen at [codeandpi@gmail.com](mailto:codeandpi@gmail.com) if you have children aged 8 – 11 yrs old who might like to come along. No experience necessary. The club is free of charge and caters for young Roboteers, Cardboard Engineers, Coders, and crafters. If they like making things, then they are welcome.

## Annual Parochial Church Meetings

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) at St. Mary's will be held in Church on Sunday 14th April, immediately after the 9.15am service.

The APCM at The Church of The Holy Spirit will be held in the Church immediately after the 11am service on Sunday 21st April.

Please put the dates in your diary as it would be good to have as many of our Church Family present at both meetings as possible. Thank you.

## Online Lent Group

The Monday House Group are currently following the Diocese's 'Come and See' Lent course at 7.30pm every Monday during Lent. They are inviting anyone to join them. Please email [andy@saintmarys.org.uk](mailto:andy@saintmarys.org.uk) for the Zoom link if you would like to join the study.

## Devon and Cornwall Foodbank

Please continue to support Devon and Cornwall Food Action with your donations of tins, tea and coffee. The need is greater than ever at the moment. Many thanks.

## Gospel Reading (Continued)

murder during the insurrection. <sup>8</sup> So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. <sup>9</sup> Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' <sup>10</sup> For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. <sup>11</sup> But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. <sup>12</sup> Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' <sup>13</sup> They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' <sup>14</sup> Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' <sup>15</sup> So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. <sup>16</sup> Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. <sup>17</sup> And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. <sup>18</sup> And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' <sup>19</sup> They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup> After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. <sup>21</sup> They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. <sup>22</sup> Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). <sup>23</sup> And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup> And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup> It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup> The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' <sup>27</sup> And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>28</sup> Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, <sup>29</sup> save yourself, and come down from the cross!' <sup>30</sup> In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>31</sup> Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. <sup>32</sup> When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>33</sup> At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' <sup>34</sup> When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' <sup>35</sup> And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' <sup>36</sup> Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>37</sup> And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>38</sup> Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!' <sup>39</sup>

**"Will you not watch with me one brief hour?"**