



# INTER-LINK



## The Churnside Benefice

All Hallows South Cerney, All Saints Preston, Holy Trinity Cerney Wick and St Peter's Siddington

Today is 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

*A warm welcome to you*

### Today's services

9.30am	Holy Communion	All Saints
11.15am	Morning Praise	St Peter's
11.15am	Morning Praise – refreshments at 10.30am	All Hallows

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am	Holy Communion with Passion reading followed by refreshments	All Hallows
11.15am	Morning Praise with Passion reading	St Peter's

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## **LENT GROUPS 2026**

We are once again running benefice Lent groups entitled 'Season of Renewal' written by Alison Morgan and Bill Goodman published by Resource. We are running a Tuesday morning group starting at 10am in the South Cerney United Church until 24<sup>th</sup> March. There is a Monday evening group which meets at Preston Village Hall at 7pm until 30<sup>th</sup> March. Sessions will consist of Bible study, discussion, prayer, activities and fellowship. Please contact Jennifer for more details.

## **THURSDAY COMMUNION**

There will be no Thursday Communion on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2<sup>nd</sup> April or 9<sup>th</sup> April.

## **ISINGPOP CONCERTS**

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March, All Hallows Church will be hosting the children and families from Ann Edwards Church of England Primary School for two special ISINGPOP concerts. To make these concerts a success, we need some help with stewarding for the afternoon concert from 12.45pm and the evening concert with help needed from 5.30pm. For more details, please speak to Jennifer.

## **CHRISM EUCHARIST 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2026**

Gloucester Cathedral, GL1 2LX. A special service where ministers and congregations gather from across the diocese to renew their commitments to God. The service starts at 11am on Maundy Thursday, a day Christians remember for the last supper Jesus and his disciples shared on the night before he was crucified.

<https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/chrism-eucharist-2026/>

## **LIGHTHOUSE**

The next Lighthouse in All Hallows Church will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April starting at 10.30am. Lighthouse is a relaxed space to be creative, explore faith, enjoy lunch and fellowship together. We start with tea and coffee and an opportunity to be creative with a variety of fun activities related to a theme and also time to chat with others. There is a time of informal worship and finally, there is a delicious lunch.

## **COFFEE MORNING- TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL**

St Peter's Church is organising a coffee morning in the Elizabeth Way Community room on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April between 10.30 and 12 noon. There will be coffee, tea, home-made cakes, biscuits and a small raffle. Everyone is welcome. If you would like any help with transport, please contact Georgie on 07722 652886 or email [georgie@uppersidd.co.uk](mailto:georgie@uppersidd.co.uk)

## **SPRING CONCERT**

7.30pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026, All Hallows Church, South Cerney. All are welcome to a Spring Concert with the Blue Notes and Coln Choir in aid of the Longfield Community Hospice. There will be a bar, raffle and retiring collection.

## **ALL HALLOWS QUIZ EVENING**

Come along to a fun evening of friendly competition on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm in South Cerney Village Hall. Sign up as a team of 6 or join a team on the night. Everyone is welcome. Join the challenge to answer quirky questions, head-scratching trivia and test your general knowledge. Cash bar serving wine and soft drinks, free snacks and a raffle. Tickets £6 per person in advance from Carolyn Kennedy  
Email: [carolyn\\_m\\_kennedy@hotmail.com](mailto:carolyn_m_kennedy@hotmail.com) or mobile: 07974 575795.

## **REFLECTIVE RAMBLE**

Following the success of our first reflective ramble in September last week, we have decided to have another one on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April. We will head out for a reflective spring walk in the Cotswold Water Park with time for contemplation, prayer and fellowship. We will meet outside All Hallows Church, South Cerney at 3.30pm and then return to church to enjoy tea, sandwiches and cake. All welcome. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Jennifer.

## **EASTER AT THE CATHEDRAL**

Details of all events and activities taking place at the Cathedral throughout the Easter school holidays can be found on the cathedral website.  
*[gloucestercathedral.org.uk](http://gloucestercathedral.org.uk)*



## Readings for Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37. 1 - 14

Romans 8. 6 – 11

John 11. 1 – 45



### COLLECT FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**Please remember the needs of the church and the world in your prayers.**

Prayers are especially invited for:

William 'Rex' Mann.

The family and friends of Patricia Wheeler as they prepare for her funeral.

All who live in Bewick Close.

All who are seeking God's intervention, guidance or healing in their lives.

Christ has no hands but our hands to do his work today.

Christ has no feet but our feet to speed others on their way.

Christ has no lips but our lips to tell people why he died.

Christ has no love but our love to bring them to his side.

Christ may your work be fulfilled in us and  
your presence revealed in us.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples, 'I am with you always'.

Be with me today, as I offer myself to you.

Hear my prayers for others and for myself and keep me in your care.

### Our Benefice Mission Statement

Growing in our relationship with God, caring for the whole church family, sharing the good news of Jesus in love and action.