

## NOTICES CONTINUED

**NCG LENT COURSE** This year's course will be based upon the film 'The Way' which observes a group of pilgrims walking the way of St James to Santiago de Compostela. On Tuesdays February 20th & 27th, March 6th, 13th & 20th; starting at 7.45 for 8.00pm; in the Church Hall, Totterhoe.

**NCG CONFIRMATION SERVICE** will be held at St Mary's in June. If anyone is interested in finding out more about Confirmation preparation, please see Joy.

**GARAGE SALE** Do you have a New Year's resolution to clear your excess 'stuff' this Spring? If so, maybe we can help you - simply sign up for St Mary's Garage Sale Trail, which will take place on *21 April 2018*. For a donation of £5 (more if you wish) we will include your address on a map so the public know where to find you. Members of St Mary's, Eaton Bray, will deal with all the advertising, create maps listing all the properties where items are for sale and sell these maps to the public. All you need to do is set up your stall in your front garden and sell, sell, sell! On the day, St Mary's will sell maps to the public from Eaton Bray Village Hall where delicious lunchtime refreshments (including our legendary bacon butties!) will be on sale. In addition there will be a cake stall, raffle, bric-a-brac, books and plants for sale. If you wish to be included in the programme, please contact Barbara Morton (01525 852368) for more information.

**SMALL CHANGE COLLECTION** Just a reminder that we have an ongoing small change collection that is used solely to support the linen fund. The linen includes the Purificators that are used by the chalice bearers and the Corporals used on the altar. This linen needs to be pristine for every use and so it is laundered for every Eucharistic service. The linen has a hard and therefore short life fraying at the edges and so needs replacing regularly. For details please see Eileen Bennett.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** - Following the evening Eucharist at 8.00pm on Maundy Thursday, we will, as usual, be observing a vigil until midnight. There is a sheet on the bookcase where you can sign up to be present for one (or more) 45 minute slots in order that the vigil can be maintained throughout the evening. Thank you.

**A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY - APCM** - will be held after the 10am service on *April 22nd*. A buffet lunch will be provided.

**MESSY CHURCH** *Good Friday 30th March at 11am*. There will be fun activities and fish fingers to eat for lunch! You can get Messy! For children and their parents/carers.

## **ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EATON BRAY** with **EDLESBOROUGH & ALL SAINTS, DAGNALL**



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## **WELCOME TO ST MARY'S**

**18TH MARCH 2018**  
**LENT 5**

### SERVICES TODAY

8.00am – Holy Communion  
10.00am – Worship for Everyone – Non-Eucharistic  
10.30am – Holy Communion at Dagnall

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

TBC

### HYMNS

In Christ alone (sheet), 118, Father we love you (sheet), 109, 499

*If you usually receive communion in a Christian, Church, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church. If you are not a communicant, please come to the altar rail for a blessing, carrying the service book with you.*

**COFFEE** is served at the back of the church after the 10.00am service.  
Please stay and meet other members of our parish.

**Vicar: Revd Joy Cousans (01525 220261)**

Please note: Joy's day off is Friday. Please do not contact her on that day unless very urgent.

**Churchwarden: Catherine Hayden (01525 220527)**

Notices for inclusion in next week's  
Pew Leaflet should be sent to Marion  
at mdhmsh@btinternet.com  
or (01525 222478)  
by 6pm on Thursday please.



**COLLECT:**

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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. **Amen**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31–34**

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

This is the word of the Lord. **R: Thanks be to God**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5–10**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

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 for ever, 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. **R: Thanks be to God**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 12:20–33**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**R: Glory to you, O Lord**

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 judgement 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. **R: Praise to you, O Christ**

**FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

**In our prayers for the Church** this week we pray for the Church of the Province of the Congo and in our own diocese, those training for Lay Ministry.

**Among those who are sick**, we pray especially for Gary, Ian Maynard, Alison Tigg, Carole Johnson, Nicola & Steve, Reg & Audrey Grace, Louise & Maureen, Gwen, Vianne, Norman Davies, Ann Grant, Emma, Ella, Susan, Graham, Sam & Richard, Mary & Jim, Val Trantum, Harry and Thelma.

**At their year’s mind**, we remember Phyllis Donald, Cyril Wyke and Len Surry.

**NOTICES:**

**MORNING PRAYER IN LENT.** Joy will be holding a short said service of Morning Prayer at The Vicarage on Monday mornings at 9am during Lent. All are welcome.

**TOTs** this week at 1.30pm-3pm and includes storytime, singing, crafty things and refreshments.

**HOLY COMMUNION** 10am *Wednesday 21st March.*

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON HOUSE-GROUP** meets this week at Ashridge Cottage. We are following *The Cross* by John Stott. Newcomers are welcome to join us for any of the four sessions. For further details please see Eileen Bennett.