

BENEFICE BULLETIN

Sunday 3 March Third Sunday of Lent

Weekly Diary

Sunday 3

8.30am	St James	Holy Communion
10.30am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
6.00pm	St Peter's	Evensong

Tuesday 5

St Mary's	Little Lambs
St Mary's	Women's Fellowship
St Mary's	Lent Course
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St Mary's	Funeral
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The Big Blanket Stitch-Along

Easebourne Primary would love volunteers to knit or crochet them some 20cm x 20cm squares, which will be made into cosy reading blankets for each classroom. If you are able to help, please bring your handiwork into church and we will ensure it is safely delivered to the school. Thank you!

St Mary's Church Spring Clean Monday 25th March 9.30am

Please come along to lend a hand to help clean St Mary's, from brushing away cobwebs, dusting and polishing pews, hoovering pew runners, brushing off kneelers, sweeping the floor and hoovering the carpet. So come along, even for a short time. as many hands make light work. It is two years since it was last done!

Refreshments will be provided. There will be a signup sheet at the back of church to get an idea of numbers. For further details speak to Alison Davis

Saturday 16 March 10.00am – 12.30pm

The Social Gang will be holding an Easter Event on Saturday March 16 from 10.30 - 12.30 in aid of Church funds. Stalls will include homemade Easter cards, cakes with an Easter theme, the raffle of a Large Easter egg, Spring plants etc, knitted Easter chicks and bunnies, and of course Tea & Coffee. Look forward to seeing you there.

Easter Flowers

Each year we dedicate the flowers we use to decorate the Church for Easter to all our loved ones – family and friends, near or far and those we have sadly lost.

If you would like to make a donation to the cost of the flowers would you please give your donation to our Treasurer Eric Bounton. A collection box will also be at the back of the church on Sunday mornings from the beginning of March.

If you are also interested in becoming part of St Mary's Church Flower Arranging Team we would be delighted to welcome new volunteers – no previous experience required.

Many thanks from the Flower Arranging Team

UKRAINE LENT APPEAL 2024



The generous giving of the St. Mary's congregation in 2023 prompted many of you to ask if there will be an appeal in 2024, and some of you have provided me with items to pass onto Petworth Ukrainian relief during the past year, thank you one and all.

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As the invasion of Ukraine enters its second year, the needs of the people remain, though they have adapted to a new way of life; war has become their business as usual. To help support them; Petworth Ukrainian relief have provided me with a targeted list of items. As always there is something to suit the depths of all pockets, and giving is optional.

To make sorting, packing, customs labelling and distribution easier, this year there is a minor change. You have two options.

• Instead of providing a bit of everything, simply choose one item from the list and fill a shoe box or other similar box with your chosen item.

• Choose one of the bigger items, and box it If you want to include a message of encouragement or support, or simply send your best wishes to the recipient, please include a note inside your box.

Thank you, Andy Castledine: andy@castleanddean.consulting 07834 36918

Grab an old shoe box and fill it with **ONE** of these	
Wound dressings	Burn kits
Antiseptic wipes	Trauma kits
Medical gloves	Batteries
Paracetamol*	Lighters
Ibuprofen*	Incontinence pants/pads
Mosquito/tick remedies	Vitamins
Bandages	Women's sanitary
	products

*These are limited in sale quantities (i.e. you can only buy a restricted amount in one transaction)

One off items	
New & unused sleeping	Emergency foil blankets
bags	

Please provide these boxed:

Tents 1-4 man	Roll matts
Camping stoves	Power banks
Head torch	Generators
Flashlights	Spades
Warm coats	Clean Blankets

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