



St Mary Magdalene
CHURCH, HUCKNALL

St Mary Magdalene with St John the Evangelist - Hucknall

Faith Hope and Love



24th March 2024 – Palm Sunday

8am – Holy Communion St Mary Magdalene

9.30am – Holy Communion St John the Evangelist

11am – Informal Communion St Mary Magdalene

Collect for today:

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory, Amen.

A prayer for our work with children, young people and their families

O Generous God, Jesus welcomed children when others turned them away and reminded his followers to be like children in their trust of you; give us wisdom to nurture children and young people and reach out that more young people would know they are loved by you and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. In his name we ask. Amen.

Readings for this week

Sunday	Psalm 118 1-2, 19-end, Mark 11:1-11, Philippians 2:5-11		
Monday	John 12.1-11	Thursday	John 13.1-17, 31b-35
Tuesday	John 12.20-36	Friday	John 18.1-end of 19
Wednesday	John 13.21-32	Saturday	John 19.38-end

Invitation/Challenge

It's hard to imagine what it must have been like as Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the ordinary people walking everywhere, Roman soldiers on big horses, or walking with their shields pushing people out of the way and then Jesus on a donkey. Trying to hold together our understanding of the baby in the animal food trough, the man who preached to thousands, who cured many, brought wholeness and hope to others and then was a huge threat to the religious leaders, is very difficult and yet Jesus was all of these and so much more. And 2,000 years on we are invited to put our trust in him and follow. Amazing!

People and places to pray for:

- Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.
- We pray for the world, for those in authority, that they will lead with integrity, truth and peace in their hearts, for an end to violence and racial hatred
- We pray that many more will welcome Christ into their hearts and lives over the coming year; May we as a church spread the Good News with courage and faith
- For Christ, who washes our feet in humble service Teach us to love one another as Christ has loved us
- For all those who are experiencing their own Good Friday darkness that all who suffer pain of body or mind will be held by the hands of Jesus which bear the marks of his pain and the promise of restoration and resurrection.
- For our faith to radiate the love of Christ in our lives, homes and community and for courage to proclaim the Good News of Easter with confidence, assurance and joy
- Lord, make us channels of Your Peace, where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon Lord and where there is doubt true faith in you.....

The family and friends of those bereaved:

Linda Curtis, Brenda Beastall, Michael Holmes-Parker, Ian Johnson, Margaret Hardstaff, Glenis Adams, Anthony Adams

Those in particular need: Jo Jackson, Henry Meakin, Rian Fernades, Jo C, Robert Thomas, Tom Sanders, Phyllis French, Kathleen Priestley, Tanya Torkarski, Ghislaine, Connie Ball, Ian Murray, Barbara Knowles, Harry

<i>Holy Week</i>		
Monday	9am 7pm	Butlers Hill Infants School St JE Compline St MM
Tuesday	9am 10.15am 1.30pm 7pm	Play & Praise St JE Holy Communion St MM Holgate School St MM Evening Praise & Worship St JE Community Hall
Wednesday	1.30pm	Play & Praise St MM
Maundy Thursday	1-3pm 6pm	Well-being Café St MM Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion StMM
Good Friday	10am 12.30pm 2-3pm	Ecumenical Service St MM Stations of the Cross at St JE Last hour by the cross St MM
Saturday	8.30-9am	Quiet Prayer St MM
Sunday 31 st March <i>Easter Day</i>	8am 9.30am 11am	Holy Communion St MM Holy Communion St JE Holy Communion St MM

Notices.....

- **Easter Holiday Club for families:** You are invited to our family holiday club this Easter. This is for families to explore the story of Easter. This is a free event taking place at St. Mary's church. Tuesday 2nd April (1-3pm), Wednesday 3rd April (1-3pm) & Thursday 4th April (10-12pm). Please book in with Nicola: nturner.stmarys@outlook.com. The children's team are really looking forward to sharing the Easter story with you!
- **The Electoral Roll** is being revised and will be completed and displayed before the APCM. If you would like to be added to the roll, please see the church warden on duty or pick up a form from the back of either one of the churches. Pam Barron will then compile the new roll.
- **APCM Reports:** Please could all group leaders send a report for the AGM regarding events in 2023 to Chantelle by 12th April. Many thanks
- **St John's Table Top Sale:** Sat. 13th April @ 10am-12pm. To book a table (£7.50) please contact David Kellam: 07741 277664
- **Litter Picking**...anyone interested in joining the Litter Picking Group please contact Liz Charrot
- **19 April 7.30pm: Torkard Ensemble Cabaret** 'Music from the Screens' in the John Godber Centre. Reserve tickets on www.torkardensemble.co.uk/tickets, or see Jane Haywood. Pay what you can on the night by cash or card. Money raised will be shared between Church and Heydays Day Services. It would be great to have a full house!
- **GIFT ENVELOPES**... Thanks to all friends who use the envelope scheme to give regularly for God's work in this church. The new envelopes for the year ahead are now available. When you collect them, please write your name on the form to show the number of the pack you are using. Thank you. Phil Aldred.
- **Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion 6pm** @ St. Mary Magdalene - we will be sharing a simple supper together in church on the evening of Maundy Thursday (28th). Please bring your own bowl and cutlery. If you would like to come there will be a sign-up sheet at the back of both churches. We are also looking for people to make soup. For further information please speak to Rachael, Helen or a member of the ministry team.
- **Evening Praise and Worship Service** - 26th March St. John's Community Hall 7pm. Please join us for a time of sung worship and prayer. Informal session accompanied by live musicians. We will start with refreshments. All are welcome.
- **Communion Wafers**...*If you require a gluten free wafer for communion, please speak to the church warden or one of the sides people.*
- **Church yard:** If you notice any anti-social behaviour in the church yard, please call the police on 101 **when you see it happening**, or report it on www.nottinghamshire.police.uk

Psalm 118

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.
- ² Let Israel say:
"His love endures forever."
- ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD
through which the righteous may enter.
- ²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
- ²³ the LORD has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ The LORD has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.
- ²⁵ LORD, save us!
LORD, grant us success!
- ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.
From the house of the LORD we bless you.^[b]
- ²⁷ The LORD is God,
and he has made his light shine on us.
- With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession
up^[c] to the horns of the altar.
- ²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.
- ²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

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