



# Wychwood Benefice

Church News 22 March, 2020

***Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven***

**The Church of England have suspended all acts of public worship so for now all services and events have been postponed.**

## **SUNDAY 22 MARCH – LENT 4/ MOTHERING SUNDAY**

No Services in Church. Orders of Service are available on the website.

**On Mothering Sunday as a sign of solidarity, the Archbishop has asked everyone to place a lighted candle in their window at 7p.m. on Sunday evening, to show the hope in the light of Christ can never be extinguished.**

## **PRAYERS AND READINGS**

**Collect** God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Post Communion** Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Readings:** (Year A)

**First Reading 2 Corinthians 1:3-7** Paul assures the Church in Corinth that God's comfort and strength are present in suffering.

**John 19:25b-27** As he is dying on the cross, Jesus makes provision for his mother, Mary.

**Deanery:** St Giles' Wigginton. Please pray for Janet Faull, Janet Collins, Wendy Cunningham, Keith Disney & churchwardens Nicholas Case and Hugo Brown.

**Prayer List:** Hostage John Cantlie, Mark Forsbrey, Emma Bradford, Wendy Cherry, and Marian Clark.

**Funerals:** The service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir John Graham on Saturday 21 March at 2pm in All Saints' Church, Churchill HAS BEEN POSTPONED.

ALSO POSTPONED The gathering to share memories of Chris Sole.

## Notices

### Churches are open

The churches will remain open during daylight hours as usual.

Geoffrey will be in each of the churches once a week for prayer at midday:

Sunday in Shipton, Monday in Fifield, Tuesday in Idbury and Friday in Milton.

### Some resources:

For Personal prayers

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-liturg-and-prayer-resources>

For daily prayer and readings:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

For the latest Church of England guidelines and other resources please visit:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/>

**If you have any concerns please get in touch with Geoffrey or Anne.**

### Foodbank Donations:

Please continue to support our local foodbank. Shipton and Milton churches are drop off points for donations for the foodbank. For details please visit the website:

<http://www.northoxfordshirecommunityfoodbank.org.uk/>

### Book Corner in Shipton Church

Please help yourself. Don't forget books are available to buy/swap. If you have any books (all types) to donate please drop off at the Vicarage, at Shipton church or phone Geoffrey.

**Readings 29 March:** Lent 5 Romans 8:6-11, Gospel John 11:1-45.

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