

# Services Next Sunday— 16 April 2017

## EASTER DAY

### St Mary's

**6.00 for 6.15am Sunrise Prayer on the Hill above Chippy**  
*Assemble outside Parish Rooms*

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev Martha Simpson  
 Reading: Matthew 28.1-10 Martin Jarratt.

### St James' Chapel Over Norton

**9.15am Baptism + Easter Communion** Leading: Rev James Kennedy

### St Mary's 10.45am Family Celebration with Communion

Leading: Rev James Kennedy Speaking: Rev Martha Simpson  
 Reading: Matthew 28. 1-10 tbc Intercessions: tbc

### Contacting St Mary's

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#### Financial Giving

If you would like to give to support the mission and ministry of St Mary's, may we encourage you to join our planned giving scheme. If you are a UK taxpayer you may be able to add Gift Aid which increases your giving by 25%. Please pick up a leaflet to explore ways to give or you can give online at <https://my.give.net/donations>

#### St Mary's is a caring fellowship.

Being a member of a Small Group is the best way to make sure you are both cared for, and able to care for others. For more information about joining a group please email [smallgroups@stmaryscnorton.com](mailto:smallgroups@stmaryscnorton.com). Otherwise, if you or anyone you know is sad or unwell, in hospital or in need of any other support, please let the Church Office know. We have a team of pastoral visitors who would love to help.



Chipping Norton

Sharing the life-changing love of Jesus  
 serving our whole community

9th April 2017  
 Palm Sunday  
 Morning Worship

## I believe in God the Son: Who suffered and died.

"Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged... Finally Pilate handed him over to be crucified"  
 John 19:1,16

## Welcome to today's service!

On Palm Sunday we traditionally remember how, before that first Easter, the crowds outside Jerusalem hailed Jesus as the 'Son of David' - the long-awaited Messiah - and praised him as he entered Jerusalem, laying palm leaves on the road before him, celebrating his arrival as a victory parade. This morning, though, continuing our focus on the Creed, we're fast-forwarding a few days to the time when the very same crowds had turned on him and called out instead for his crucifixion. The Son of God himself was spat on, mocked, flogged, and then taken out to be executed.

Every time I come to this part of our history, it shocks me and makes me face up to how fickle we are as people. Even now, when our sporting heroes take to the field, we cheer for them, but if they appear not to meet up to our expectations, how quickly our newspapers tear them apart (and how easily we do the same!). In this case, though, the irony is that - even if they missed it at the time - Jesus' entry into Jerusalem did actually result in the greatest victory the world has ever seen: the victory that God won for us over death. We really do have every reason to sing 'Hosanna'... 'Our God saves'!

James Kennedy (Vicar)



During our 10.45 service, to serve our families, we run a supervised crèche, 'OneWay' (for children aged 3-11) and 'Ablaze' (for youth aged 11-16). Everyone is welcome!

## This Sunday—9 April 2017

### Palm Sunday

**St Mary's 8am Holy Communion (BCP)** Leading: Rev Victor Story  
Reading: Philippians 2:5-11 Andy Thomson

**St James' Chapel Over Norton (No service on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)**

### St Mary's 10.45am Morning Worship (with crèche, One Way' & Ablaze)

Leading: Rev James Kennedy Preaching: Tom Simpson  
Reading: John 18:28-19:16 Peter Williams Prayers: David Bishop

**12.45pm Church Lunch in Parish Centre.** All are welcome to join us at our 'Bring and Share' lunch and to invite friends and family—children welcome!  
Please email: [jenwilliams366@gmail.com](mailto:jenwilliams366@gmail.com) if bringing guests or tel: 01608 686366.

**Praying round the Deanery. This week: St John the Baptist, Fifield**

Please pray for Kate Stacey and Anne Hartley.

### \*\*\*\*\*NOTICES\*\*\*\*\*

**East Africa Crisis Appeal** — As a result of your generosity last week, we were able to send £1,365.84 to our church partner Tearfund's Crisis Appeal. Thank you.

### Lilies for Easter

Traditionally, at Easter we decorate the church with Easter Lilies. I know that there are people who like to make a contribution towards the cost of the Easter Lilies in commemoration of loved ones. If you would like to make a donation please give your contribution to Emma in the Church Office or to Jo Graves tel.643976

### Rev Ursula Simpson's Licensing Service on Tuesday 25th April at 7.30pm

If you are available to help with stewarding at the Licencing service, or are able to help with welcome and distributing refreshments after the service, or if you could offer to provide a plate of "finger food (either sweet and savoury) for this event, please see Nicola Riley or Linda Carpenter (email: [churchward-](mailto:churchward-)

### Passover Meal on Thursday 13th April 6.30-8pm in Parish Rooms.

Following the success of last year's event, we are having a Passover Celebration Meal again this year in the Parish Rooms. Tickets are available from the Church Office until 7th April and after that from 8 Church Street. Suggested £3 per adult contribution to cost of meal. Please get your tickets early (limited number) for catering purposes. **Deadline for booking your place is Wednesday at 11am. Tickets not available on the door.**

## CHURCH DIARY

THIS WEEK : 10—15 APRIL 2017

- Mon 10 Apr** **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in Parish Rooms)  
**St Mary's Pilates class** (6-7pm in Parish Rooms)
- Wed 12 Apr** **NO St Mary's Minis** for 2 weeks during school holidays.
- Thurs 13 Apr** **MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
**Midweek Communion + coffee** (10am in Parish Rooms)  
**Funeral: Jean Worville** (11am at Banbury Crematorium)  
**Passover Meal** (6.30-8pm in Parish Rooms) Tickets limited  
So purchase in advance from Judith Marshall £3 per adult.
- Fri 14 Apr** **Good Friday Service of Reflection & Prayer** (12noon—3pm  
In Church)
- Sat, 15 Apr** **Decorating church for Easter.** Bring along your Easter Garden on a tray for the Easter tomb.

## CALENDAR OF FURTHER EVENTS

- Sun 16 Apr** **Easter Services:**  
6.00 for 6.15am Sunrise prayer on hill above Chipping Norton  
(Assemble & depart from Parish Rooms)  
8am Holy Communion, St Mary's Church  
9.15am Holy Communion, St James' Chapel Over Norton  
10.45am Family Celebration with Communion, St Mary's
- Tues 25 Apr** **Licensing of Rev Ursula Simpson** (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)
- Wed 3 May** **1st Priority Prayer** (7.30pm at St Mary's CN)
- Sat 6 May** **Men United Breakfast** (8.30-10.00am in Parish Rooms)  
Guest speaker: Peter Stephens, a senior employee of Nissan Cars and former Missionary in Namibia. Contact David Bishop if you'd like to come. [davidbish5@phonecoop.coop](mailto:davidbish5@phonecoop.coop)
- Mon 8 May** **Come for Tea** (2.30-4pm in the Parish Rooms)
- Sat 20 May** **St Mary's Garden Fete** (12noon-4pm in Old Vicarage Garden)  
*Friends event.*
- June (tbc)** **Men United—'FootGolf' at Heythrop Park** (details to follow)

*For further information, please contact the Church Office*