



Church News

SERVICES THIS WEEK

22 March 5th Sunday of Lent	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Maggie Metcalfe
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Maggie Metcalfe
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Homington	Ruth H-S

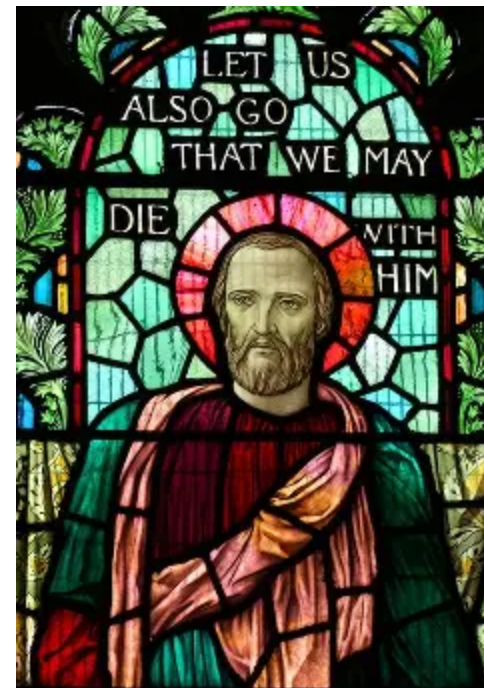
The Gospel reading for Sunday 22nd March

The Fifth Sunday of Lent - John 11 v 1-45

The Death of Lazarus (v 1 - 16 below)

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."





St Martin's Church, Fifield Bavant

Tuesday 24th March 5.30pm



To support this year's Lent Project, please scan the QR code to donate

Readings for Sunday 22nd March - 5th Sunday of Lent

Old Testament : Ezekiel 37 v 1 - 14 **New Testament :** Romans 8 v 6 - 11

Gospel: John 11 v 1 - 45 **Psalm:** 130

Lent



This year's Lent project is to support the work of The Bridge Youth Project, a Salisbury-based Christian charity offering chaplaincy in local schools.

Our aim is to raise sufficient funds to support a school chaplain at Longford CofE Primary School for half a day a week for the next two academic years.



CHRISTIAN QUIET DAY

Thursday 19th March 2026

at

Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke, SP5 5LU

10:30am – 4pm

Coffee/Tea/Biscuits/Cake provided

Stay all day, or drop in for the odd half hour (if staying all day, please bring your lunch)



EYES DOWN FOR



WITH BERWICK'S BONA FIDE BINGO BUFF:
YOUR CALLER

MARK LONGMAN

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH, 7 PM

IN BERWICK ST JOHN VILLAGE HALL

£10 PER PERSON

PAY BAR & NIBBLES AT YOUR TABLE

Book with Pat and David Avrell:

01747 829179 or

davidavrell53@gmail.com

RAISING MONEY FOR THE BRIDGE PROJECT
TO PUT CHAPLAINS IN OUR SCHOOLS



COOMBE BISSETT WITH HOMINGTON

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR

**4 INFORMAL LUNCHES,
DURING LENT**

To raise money for
The BRIDGE YOUTH PROJECT

**The Bridge Youth project works with young people locally. They currently provide chaplaincy support to Broad Chalke school. This year, we are aiming to raise £10,000 to enable a chaplain to visit Longford Primary School for half a day a week for the next 2 academic years.*

ALL ARE MOST WELCOME

Working from home? Take a break!

Just fancy a change of scene – come along!

4 days when you won't have to think 'what's for lunch?!!'

Last minute 'Drop in's' welcome,

however, places are limited to 16 per lunch.

Preferable to book to avoid disappointment!

11th, 18th,
25th March &
1st April

12.15 - 2pm

Lifts available

Homemade soup,
crusty rolls, fruit
& coffee

Specific dietary
requirements catered for –
please let us know.

Recommended
donation for
lunch £8

Electronic payments
available.

Venue

Vine Cottage, Barbers Lane,
Hornington

Susan Majury
01722 718715

A month is too long to wait...

Bowerchalke #4

SATURDAY 28th MARCH. 9:30-12

**Big Brunch
for
The Bridge**

bacon - bagels -
buns - croissants
& coffee

by Friends of Bowerchalke Church

CHRIST IN THE WILDERNESS

An exhibition of Stanley Spencer's series of eight paintings depicting Christ's time in the wilderness as a foreshadowing of his ministry.



Rising from Sleep in the Morning (1940)

ALL SAINTS, BROAD CHALKE
throughout Lent.



**MID WEEK
LENT
COMMUNION**

Every Thursday during Lent

12 noon

19th March - Coombe Bissett

26th March - Nunton

**Lenten
Bible Study**

The Barker Room

Nunton

3.30pm - 5.00pm

Mondays 23 & 30 March

**contact DEBBY UNDERHILL
dunderh942@btinternet.com**



A successful morning was enjoyed by all at Ebbesbourne Wake last weekend. Alex Hill organised a super fundraising marketplace, with over £900 raised for the Lent Project

Spring into Easter!
 Children's Easter crafts, tea, coffee & cake
Tuesday 31st March, 10-12.30 in Berwick St John Village Hall
 Make an Easter garden, murals, pom-pom animals, decorated biscuits, scrunchies & sheep!
Everyone is welcome & everything is free!

**Friday 3rd April
 Easter Crafts for Children**



**Bowerchalke village Hall
 10.30-12
 All welcome. Come and join us!**

Friends of Bishopstone Church
 IN AID OF BISHOPSTONE CHURCH RENOVATIONS

**A talk on
 REMOVING ASSAD'S CHEMICAL WEAPONS
 UN Syrian operations in action.**



In 2012, the Syrian civil war was at its height. The Assad regime was on the defensive, with Opposition Forces closing in on the capital. Then reports appeared of strange clouds, mass poisoning, and death without visible injuries.

Jerry Smith, who lives in Bishopstone, was the Head of Operations for the Joint UN team that was sent to verify, disable and remove Assad's declared chemical arsenal. He outlines the challenges he faced in war-torn Syria.



Friday 10th April 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm start
 Bishopstone Village Hall, SP5 4AA
 Tickets £12.50 – with canapes and a cash bar
 (18 years old and under: £5)



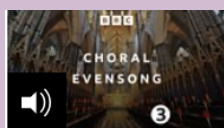
CONTACTS FOR TICKETS
 Sarah Seal – theseal1@outlook.com
 Anne Stutchbury – annewheelwright@gmail.com

If you are unable to attend a service in church this Sunday, there are services on the radio ...

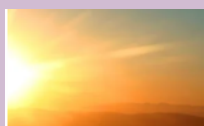


**8.10am
 BBC Radio 4
 Sunday Worship**
 A Journey through
 Lent - Cleansed and made new

A service from Manchester
 Cathedral



**3.00pm
 BBC Radio 3
 Choral Evensong**
 From St Michael's
 Church, Barnes, London with the
 choir of Tiffin School



**7.45pm
 BBC Radio 4
 Lent Talks - Power
 & Wealth**

A series of personal reflections on
 power

Psalms 130

A song of ascents.

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;
- 2 Lord, hear my voice.
 Let your ears be attentive
 to my cry for mercy.
- 3 If you, LORD, kept a record of sins,
 Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But with you there is forgiveness,
 so that we can, with reverence, serve you.
- 5 I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits,
 and in his word I put my hope.
- 6 I wait for the Lord
 more than watchmen wait for the morning,
 more than watchmen wait for the morning.
- 7 Israel, put your hope in the LORD,
 for with the LORD is unfailing love
 and with him is full redemption.
- 8 He himself will redeem Israel
 from all their sins.



**A PRAYER FOR
 ARCHBISHOP SARAH'S
 PILGRIMAGE TO CANTERBURY**

Heavenly Father,
 we give you thanks for sending Archbishop Sarah
 as a shepherd to guide your people.
 Gift her with wisdom and fill her with the Holy Spirit;
 help her to listen well,
 bring people together and serve as Jesus served.
 And we pray for ourselves:
 strengthen us in faith,
 and grant us a heart like Christ's,
 gentle, humble and devoted to the truth,
 so that we may share the Gospel with joy.
 In Jesus' name we pray.
 Amen.

Clergy Contacts & Working Days

Please note that the clergy team is available throughout the week and a member of the team is always available in an emergency or for an immediate pastoral need.

Rev'd Ruth Tel: 01722 697022 - Rev'd Ruth's non-working day is a Monday.

Rev'd Alison: 01722 697404 or 07904 034221 - Rev'd Alison's non-working day is a Friday.

Rev'd Kate: 07754 582395

Rev'd Maggie: 01722 325825