

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 6th April 2014



PASSION SUNDAY

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

11.00am Family Service

*Led by the Bishop of Bedford,
The Right Reverend Richard Atkinson*

12.15pm Parish Eucharist

Celebrant ~ The Reverend Richard Winslade

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please switch to the 'T' position.*

WE WELCOME all who join us for our services today. An especially warm welcome to Bishop Richard and Fr Richard Winslade who are leading our worship today. Please feel welcome to stay for coffee or squash after the Family Service - the time to meet and greet.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Jean Mattock; Mark Williams; Yvonne Milne; Bert Hobby; Doreen Howe; Eli Garland; John Searle; Ben Pratt; Philippa Mace; Jim & Dorothy Gregory
....those in care homes: Jessie Child; Pat Cook; Clemency Clarke; Sarah Scott
....R.I.P: Florence Eileen Howard

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 7th – 9.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm H & S meeting in church

7.30pm Fete meeting at 1 Jordan Close

Tuesday 8th – 7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bellingring practice

Wednesday 9th 9.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Lent Group meets at 13 Park Lane

Friday 11th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER TO THE EDITOR, JAMES BURGESS (Tel 01462 700115)

PRIEST-IN-CHARGE – The Reverend Canon Sue Groom M.Phil, The Vicarage, 65 Church Street, Langford – 01462 700248;

ASSISTANT CURATE – The Reverend Patsy Critchley BA

CHURCHWARDENS – Mrs P Tomlinson, 1 Jordan Close - 01462 850233 ~ Mrs S Moore

NEXT SUNDAY 13th April

PALM SUNDAY

10.45am meet at the pump for the distribution & blessing of palms followed by a procession to church for the

11.00am Parish Eucharist

6.00pm Deanery Evensong at St Mary the Virgin Maulden

NOTICES

There will be a **Service of Celebration** to mark the Centenary of the present Diocese of St Albans at the Abbey on Sun 4th May at 4pm. Sue has two tickets available for anyone who would like to accompany her.

We enjoyed yet another well attended **coffee morning** on Wednesday. The next one is planned for Wednesday 7th May at 10.45 am in the church.



The church will be being decorated for Easter from 9.30 am on Saturday 19th April and help would be welcomed. Contributions towards the cost of the flowers would be much appreciated and should be given to Hilary Nicolls or one of the churchwardens please. In

addition there will be a list at the back of the church for those who wish to purchase Easter lilies in remembrance.

Fete meeting on 7th April at 7.30pm, at Pat Tomlinson's house, 1 Jordan Close.

The plan is that this is an open meeting where anyone interested in helping at the Fete (Sat June 7th), is welcome to turn up and discuss any ideas.

The Fete was a great success last year, so it would be lovely if most people did the same as last year - no point in reinventing the wheel! If you can't make the meeting, it would be really helpful if you could contact Pat or me, telling us what you would like to do.

Thanks very much - see you on 7th.