

## HOLY WEEK

### Monday 26 March

9.30 am Experience Easter - Nursery class

10.30 am Admin team

1.45 pm Praise & Play toddler group

### Tuesday 27 March

9.30 am Experience Easter - Yr 1

10.30 am Experience Easter - Yr 4

1.30 pm Experience Easter - Yr 5

### Wednesday 28 March

10 am Holy Communion

10.30 Experience Easter - Yr 3

1.30 pm Experience Easter - Yr 2

### Maundy Thursday 29 March

6 pm the Last Supper and Stripping of the Altar

### Good Friday 30 March

12 noon - Meditation at the cross

### Saturday

9.30 am Morning Prayer in church

## NEXT SUNDAY



**Sunday 1st April 2018**

**Easter Sunday**

Dawn service at 6 am: We gather to welcome the light of Christ and renew our baptism vows

**Holy Communion at 10.30 am  
with Bishop Libby**

Bible passage: Acts 10:34-43

Bible reader: Ron Brereton

Prayers: Jenny Dunlop

Sidespeople: Anne S and Val

Little Lions leader: Chantelle



## Contacts



**St. Mark**

### Praise & Play Toddler Group

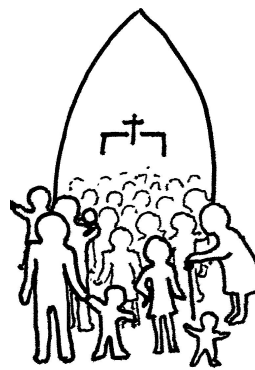
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### Little Lion's Sunday School

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# St Mark's Church Family Newsletter

Palm Sunday  
Sunday 25 March 2018

## CHURCH NEWS

- **Palm Sunday:** Welcome to our church this morning as we worship Jesus and remember the events of his final entry into the holy city of Jerusalem.
- **Surgery:** Alison is having surgery at Tameside Hospital on Maundy Thursday and will be off duty for a fortnight. Please direct queries to Julia or Jenny while Alison recovers.
- **Bishop walking:** As part of the national prayer initiative 'Thy Kingdom come' Bishop Libby and the Archdeacon of Macclesfield will together spend a day walking through each of the nine deaneries. They are due to come to our Deanery - Mottram - on Sunday 13 May after 2 pm. Please come and join them for a bit of the afternoon!
- Bishop Libby will be coming to join us at St Mark's for **Easter Sunday** this year; we are delighted that she has asked to be with us on this significant festival in the Christian calendar.
- **Key dates:** Put these important dates and events in your diaries:
  - Maundy Thursday 29 March at 6 pm
  - Good Friday 30 March at 12 noon
  - Easter Sunday 1st April at 10.30 am
  - APCM Sunday 22 April
  - Thy Kingdom Come Sunday 13 May 2018
  - Whit Walks Sunday 20 May

### **Priest in charge - The Revd Alison Cox**

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## INFORMATION



**Big Church Day Out** - On Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd June the festival will again take place in the lovely grounds of Capesthorne Hall. Chester Diocese will be subsidising the full ticket price and **free transport** will again be laid on from St Mark's, Dukinfield. ([www.bigchurchdayout.com](http://www.bigchurchdayout.com)) to see what bands and activities will be happening but don't book tickets through the website or you won't get the church discount!

### **Pauline's cards: EASTER PRAYER CARDS AND GIFTS**

Please take a look in the Prayer Corner at our selection of Easter Prayer Cards and Gifts. All proceeds to Church Funds.



### **OUTREACH PROJECT FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN DISTRESS**

The Mothers Union are collecting items for this project. Items include: tinned, dried or food in jars; toilet rolls; tooth brushes and tooth paste; soap bars and face cloths; children's clothes and gifts for children. Please leave any donations in the bag provided at the back of church. Thank You.

## **Maundy Thursday Last Supper and Stripping of the Altar**

Our annual Last Supper will take place in the Church Lounge on **Thursday 29 March** starting at 6 pm.

Please sign up if you want to come so we know how many places to prepare. Also, if you are willing to bring along some apple pies, ice cream or shepherd pies, please also sign up on the sheet provided. Many thanks.

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**Warden share scheme:** Thanks to those who have expressed an interest in taking on some tasks to spread the workload so that when Julia Greene stands down as church warden at this year's APCM, the smooth running of the church continues.

There will be a training session for all those willing to help in this way on Saturday 21 April from 10 am - 12 noon in church; many thanks.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting takes place on **Sunday 22 April** after the morning worship.

**Sunday Lunch Club:** We will be heading our to Roaches Lock pub for lunch on Sunday 7 April so please sign up on the sheet if you want to comm along.

**Easter holiday mini bus trip:** We are planning to go to Lytham St Anne's on Tuesday 10 April; please speak to Jenny if you want to book a space.



## **PRAYER AND GIVING THANKS**

### **We pray for those in need:**

For those affected by illness in any way; for Michael Smart (Barbara Smart's son)

- following successful transplant surgery; for Jane Thorpe
- following her recent operation; for those undergoing
- cancer treatments; for Alison Cox, having surgery on
- Maundy Thursday; for Father John Kershaw who has
- terminal cancer.

### **Those who mourn:**

For the family and friends of Malcolm Grindrod (Jackie's brother) whose funeral was last week.

## **Experience Easter 2018**

You are welcome to look around the scenes starting at the stairs next the front door then journeying around the church in an anti-clockwise directions

The scenes are:

- 1. Palm Sunday - Hopes and dreams**
- 2. Washing feet - Servant King**
- 3. Holy Communion - Remember Me**
- 4. The garden of gethsemane - Alone**
- 5. The crucifixion**
- 6. The tomb - Empty tomb**