

**CHURCH OF ST BENEDICT BISCOP and
THE CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE**

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Palm Sunday – 14th April 2019

WELCOME

If you have come to a communion service and you are accustomed to receive in your own church or chapel, you are very welcome at our altar. If you are not a communicant member of a church but would like an individual blessing, please bring a service booklet to the altar rail at the time of communion.

CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT BISCOP

8.00am Holy Communion (said)

Hymns

159

10.30am Parish Communion with procession and reading of the Passion

161

6.30pm A Journey to the Cross – a meditation on the last few hours of

147

Jesus's life

420 c

Sunday Club: 10.15am at the Hand-in-Hand

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Lay Assistants (8) Rosemary Griffiths (10.30) Mark Jarvis, Olwyn Grainger

Servers (10.30) Rachel Mountford, James Turner

Sides (8) Joy Capewell, Liz Richardson (10.30) David & Chris Crathorne, Keith Whittaker, Janet Wootton

Offertory Graham Bradley

Intercession Janet Lailey

NT Lesson Heather Yeates

Gospel Mike Frost

Please join us for coffee after the 10.30am service

CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE

9.00am Parish Communion and reading of the Passion

Lay Assistant Jan Glover

Intercession Laurie

Gainer

Sides Kathleen Ogden, Dorothy Brewerton

NT Lesson Brian Glover

Gospel Clergy

Please join us for coffee after the service

Collect

True and humble King,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory. Amen.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 19:28-40 (NRSV)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this, "The Lord needs it."'

So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.'

Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.' *This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.*

New Testament Lesson Philippians 2: 5-11 (NRSV)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES and EVENTS in the Smestow Vale Team Ministry

Monday 15 April

- 9.00am Morning Prayer
No Little Fish at St Benedict's
2.00pm Matthew Wiley & Charlotte Bell
marry at St Benedict's (ocb) *PB*
7.30pm Holy Communion for Holy
Week at the Venerable Bede

Tuesday 16th April

- 9.00am Morning Prayer
No morning Communion at
St Benedict's
7.30pm Holy Communion for Holy
Week at Holy Cross Bobbington

Wednesday 17th April

- 9.00am Morning Prayer
7.30pm Holy Communion for Holy
Week at St John's Swindon

Maundy Thursday 18th April

No morning Communion at the
Venerable Bede

- 7.30pm Festival Communion with the
Foot Washing and Watch of the
Passion at St Benedict's

Good Friday 19th April

- 11.00am Children and families workshop
at St Benedict's
12.30pm Ecumenical Procession of
Witness on Windmill Bank
2.00pm The Good Friday service at St
Benedict's followed by hot cross buns
7.00pm No Choir practice tonight

Holy Saturday 20th April

- 8.00pm The Easter Vigil at St Benedict's

EASTER DAY 21ST APRIL

at The Venerable Bede

9.00am Parish Communion and the renewal of Baptismal vows

at St Benedict Biscop

8.00am Holy Communion (said)

10.30am Parish Communion with special activities for the children, the renewal
of Baptismal vows and an Easter Egg hunt

READER TRAINING

Thinking about Reader Training but not sure what it looks like? Interested in knowing more? Why not come along to a Reader Training Taster Evening on **Monday 1st July at The Church at Perton, Anders Square, Perton** Designed to give you a broad introduction to the content and expectations of Reader Training - it's a great opportunity to gain insight and ask any questions you may have. The programme for the evening is as follows:

6.30pm Gathering Worship * 6.45pm Introduction with refreshments
* 7.30pm Teaching Session * 8.45pm Closing Worship

To book a place email: helen.scheven@lichfield.anglican.org

PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICE SHEET HOME AND PRAY WITH US

Pray for those who are prevented from speaking out

Jesus said, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Luke 19: 40 (NRSV)

Some governments go to great lengths to silence those who disagree with them. This is especially true for those who would tell the Good News of Jesus Christ. Pray for courage, and for discernment for them to find the right times and places to speak out, and the right words to say. Thank God that he finds ways to spread his message of love even when Jesus' followers are silenced through persecution.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those to be married this week: Matthew John Wiley & Charlotte Katy Bell.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Chris Davies, Chris Pool, Thelma, Helen Whitmore, Sarah Stephenson, Maureen Gaskin, Brian Edwards, Diana, Helen Murray, Nora Reynolds and Robert Brooks.

Thanksgiving for improvement: Tiana Willetts.

Those who have died recently and their families: Bob Smith, Helen Stephens, Mick Williams and Alma Elliott.

If you, or one of your family or a friend would like visiting by the clergy or prayers to be said in connection with any matter which is causing anxiety, such as illness, bereavement or a moment of crisis, please contact the Rector.

There are no morning Communion services on Tuesday and Thursday of Holy Week. If you would like a lift to the evening services on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, please contact the Rector. As well as following our own journey through Holy Week these are good opportunities to support our smaller Team Churches.

EASTER LILIES. If you would like to make a donation for an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, please complete one of the forms today (St Benedict's)

Thank you to everyone who supported Tuesday's Lent lunch.
£198 was raised for the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The APCM will take place on 28 April 2019. Nominations are invited for Churchwardens at St Benedict's (2), Deputy Wardens at the Venerable Bede (2) and election to PCC (3 vacancies for a 3 year term). Nomination forms are available at the back of both churches, and should be returned to Shirley Wall (PCC Secretary) by **21 April 2019**.

Sarah is looking for helpers for the Good Friday workshop from 11.00am. Please contact her if you can help. Tel: 07702 376169.