



# St Mary Magdalene's Monthly Update

## March 2019

Day and Date	Time / Event	Theme / Readings	Prayers are asked for...
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March Sunday next before Lent	11.00am Family Service	Luke 9:28-43a The Transfiguration 	Cholsey Free Church; residents of Murren Croft, Newnham Green; those at Huntercombe Prison; Staff and Patients in Hospital; Deanery Synod and Team Council Members
6 <sup>th</sup> March <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	8pm Holy Communion with Ashing at St Leonard's, Wallingford		God's grace and mercy on all people, as we remember we are dust, and to dust we shall return.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	10am – Noon Community Café (Village Hall)		Our village and community as we come together and build relationships
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> March Lent 1	11.00am Parish Communion	Deuteronomy 26:1–11 Romans 10:8b–13 Luke 4:1-13	St Mary's Church, Cholsey; residents of Old Reading Road, Park View; those who run the Cubs and Beavers in our Village; Our Flower Arrangers
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> March Lent 2	11.00am Parish Communion	Genesis 15:1-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35	Our own church of St Mary Magdalene; residents of Portway, Retreat Gardens; Crowmarsh Cricket Club; for volunteer Drivers; Our Church Cleaners and those who maintain the churchyards
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March Lent 3	11.00am Parish Communion	Isaiah 55:1–9 1 Corinthians 10:1–13 Luke 13:1-9	St John's RC Church, Wallingford; residents of Robert Sparrow Gardens; Stephens Field; Mothers, Grandmothers, Stepmothers; Our Congregation
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	4-5pm Posy Making, for...		St Mary's and St Leonard's, Wallingford; residents of Thames Mead, The Limes; The PTA and Governing Body of Crowmarsh School; Our Sacristan and Servers
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> March <b>MOTHERING SUNDAY</b>	11.00am <b>(*BST)</b> Family Communion		
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> April Lent 5	11.00am Family Service	John 12:1-8	St Mary's and St Leonard's, Wallingford; residents of Thamesmead, The Limes; The PTA and Governing Body of Crowmarsh School; Our Sacristan and Servers

Other services:      Morning Prayer - Fridays 9am  
                              Evening Prayer - Sundays 4pm (then 6pm during BST)

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## Church News:

### **Ash Wednesday and Lent**

March sees the season of Lent starting on Ash Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, observed in a Team Service of sung Holy Communion with the imposition of ashes at 8pm in St Leonard's, Wallingford. This gives us an opportunity to stand back a little from the usual routine of our lives and take some time to think a little more carefully about our relationship with God and others. Journey through the Lent & Easter seasons by:

- signing up to Bishop's Steven's Pilgrim emails: [www.churchofengland.org/pilgrim](http://www.churchofengland.org/pilgrim)
- joining the **Churches Together Lent meetings** on Wednesday lunchtimes at St John's RC Church from 13<sup>th</sup> March, 12.30pm, as we explore "The Mystery of God" together.

**Electoral Roll 2019** - a completely new Electoral Roll has to be produced this year. This means that everyone who wishes to be included on the Electoral Roll for St Mary Magdalene's for 2019 needs to complete a new form. Those entitled to have their names on this roll have to be 16 years of age or more and they must reside in the parish or be regular worshippers here.

The enrolment forms are available at the Welcome Desk and should be returned to Eva Thompson, our Electoral Roll Officer by Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### **Pathways Magazine**

The Diocese have replaced the Door newspaper with with a new quarterly magazine called "Pathways". Copies are free and will be available at the back of church.

**VIVE LA FRANCE** is the final concert in Anita D'Attellis' Wallingford Winter Recitals. She is joined by violinist Giles Wade and cellist Jackie Johnson to play some French gems including the splendid Fauré Trio. There has been some wonderful music-making and this will be no exception! This is on Saturday 9 March in St Mary's at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 in advance – easiest to get them on line from [www.anitapiano.com/wrw2019](http://www.anitapiano.com/wrw2019) or pick them up at the Town Information Centre. Proceeds to the St Mary's Tower Fund.


### Dates for your Diary:

- **Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm – Annual Parish Church Meeting**
- **Weekend of 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> June – Flower Festival** (theme ideas to Margaret)

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