

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The 2018/2019 Planned Giving Envelopes will be available for collection shortly. If you would like to join the scheme, transfer to Standing Order or wish more information please contact John Stott on 01249-714352.

## HOUSE GROUP

We meet on Thursday 15th April at 7:30pm at 17 Light Close, Corsham for Bible study, discussion and fellowship. We have just started a new Bible study series on the 2nd Letter of Peter. Further details from Neil Pidduck (01249) 715848.

## THE FRIENDS OF ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

After a lull of some years because of other fund raising activity (Spire Appeal) it was felt that, at the beginning of this year, now was a good time to re-launch The Friends. Membership subscriptions to The Friends are used not as an income to the Church Finances but to fulfil its objectives to provide, support, comfort, and convenience to St Bart's and its congregation. The latest contribution made provided a healthy donation for the provision of the Lectern Steps to assist our Readers and to pay for the removal of a portion of the cross pew for the benefit of our wheelchair users. Today you will have received a hand out explaining The Friends (if not pick one up in church); please do consider seriously becoming a Friend. As a first step just complete the form and put it in the box by the door. Thank you.



## THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM

The RAF Association and Royal British Legion will be running a coach trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on Monday 14 May, costing £10 per head.



If you would like to join the trip please contact Arthur or Mary Antill (01225 810781).

## MEN'S GROUP

The group will next meet at the Royal Oak on 23rd April at 8.00 pm when Rick Dickinson will give his follow-on talk entitled 'Enigma – Part 2'. All men welcome

### DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Items for inclusion in each Sunday's sheet should be submitted not later than **MIDDAY on the preceding Wednesday.**

Email to: [news@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk](mailto:news@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk) or  
Post/deliver to: 1 Park Lane, Corsham. ☎ 01249 701783 (answering machine available).

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# Weekly Information Sheet

**15 April 2018**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

*PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU as a reference source during the coming week.  
Also check the website for any breaking news and for much more information.*

## DIARY DATES

**Weds 18 Apr** 6.30pm Brigade meet for Games at Corsham School Gym  
**Thurs 19 Apr** Morning Church Cleaning (Team B)  
7.30pm House Group meets at 17 Light Close  
**Mon 23 Apr** 8.00pm Men's group meet in the Royal Oak

## ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

**Electoral Roll** The Electoral Roll is currently being revised in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> April. The roll is a list of people who are not only followers of Jesus but also committed members of St. Bartholomew's. If you wish to stand for office and/or vote at the APCM or become a sidesperson, then membership on the Electoral Roll is essential. Application forms and envelopes can be found on the cross pew. Full names, full addresses and signatures are required. Please return completed forms to Sian Cooper, Electoral Roll Officer by the closing date (15<sup>th</sup> April) in the folder provided. If you have any questions please call her on 01249 716112. The new Roll will be available for inspection from 16<sup>th</sup> April. Any errors or omissions may be corrected between then and the date of the APCM on 30<sup>th</sup> April but no names can then be added until after the APCM.

**N.B. If you are already on the electoral roll of this parish, you do NOT need to complete a new form.**

## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Details of the APCM and voting rights can be found on the additional Green Sheet on the table by the Main Door. Please make sure you take your copy.

### For More information:

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**PASTORAL VISITING:** If you know of someone who is in need of pastoral care please contact L'hora Olney on 01225 859202 so that appropriate arrangements can be made. These might include a visit at home or in hospital and/or the provision of home communion

## Sunday 15 Apr 2018 – Easter 3

### Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

### Old Testament Reading – Zephaniah 3:14-20 (NRSVA)

#### *A Song of Joy*

<sup>14</sup> Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! <sup>15</sup> The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. <sup>16</sup> On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. <sup>17</sup> The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing <sup>18</sup> as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. <sup>19</sup> I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. <sup>20</sup> At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

### New Testament Reading – Acts 3:12-19 (NRSVA)

<sup>12</sup> When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?' <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup> But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup> And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

<sup>17</sup> 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup> In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

### Gospel Reading Luke 24:36b-48 (NRSVA)

#### *Jesus Appears to His Disciples*

<sup>36</sup> Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>37</sup> They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup> He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?' <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' <sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup> While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.

### Additional Gospel Reading (10am Service only): Matthew 3:13-17

#### *The Baptism of Jesus*

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

### SERVICES FOR THE NEXT WEEK AT ST BART'S

#### **Weds 18 Apr 18**

**10.00am** Holy Communion, led by Revd Andrew

#### **Sun 22 Apr 18 – Easter 3**

**8.00am** Holy Communion, led by Revd Andrew

**10.00am** Family Service and Baptism, led by Revd Victor  
*Anthem: There's a wideness in God's mercy*

**6.00pm** Holy Communion with Healing Ministry, led by Revd Andrew