



Weekly Information Sheet

31st March 2019
Mothering Sunday

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

Mon 1 Apr	7.00pm	Lent Course Session 4 – St Aldhelm’s Church Hall
Weds 3 Apr	2.30pm	Mothers Union meet in Church House (FoodBank Update)
Thurs 4 Apr	10.30am	Lent Course Session 4 – St Patrick’s Church Hall
Fri 29 Mar	Morning	Church Cleaning (Team A)

MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE

On Sunday 31 March at 10am we will be having a **Family Communion** for Mothering Sunday.

FRIENDS FOR PARENTS

The Mothers’ Union help at the Bristol Children’s Hospital by being there to support parents whose children are in hospital and by providing tea and coffee in the parent’s rooms. At present we have plenty of tea and coffee but are in need of powdered milk. Please could everyone help by bringing a tin/jar of powdered milk on Mothering Sunday and I will make sure it gets to Bristol. This would be a lovely way of parents helping parents who may be in distress as their child is perhaps very ill. Thank you in advance for your support.

Cathy Reynolds, Corsham Branch Leader.

BRITISH SUMMER TIME BEGINS

Don’t forget to put your clocks forward 1 hour on Sat eve/Sun Morning or you will miss out Mothering Sunday services!



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: admin@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk or

Post/deliver to: 1 Park Lane, Corsham. ☎ 01249 701783 (answering machine available).

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LENT COURSE

The fourth session in our Lent Course entitled ‘*Daring to see God now*’ for all churches is entitled “Change your mind (Bible Reference: Luke 5. 27-32) and will be led by Revd. Dr. Andrew Johnson (Monday) and Revd. Adam Beaumont (Thursday).

CHURCH WATCH

Volunteers are still needed for Church Watch. To try and fill the vacancies there will be a board on the Cross Pew, showing the spaces needed to be filled in for the coming month. The board will be replaced every month. If you are able to help in the current month the rota will be on the notice board in the porch, also with blank spaces that need to be filled. If you would like more information please speak to either Phyl Fry or L’nora. Thank you

ELECTORAL ROLL

In accordance with Church Representation Rules, once in every six years we have to prepare a new Electoral Roll. This is due this year and means that everyone who was on the old Roll has to complete a new form to apply to be on the new one. 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.

Please return completed forms to Sian Cooper, Electoral Roll Officer by the closing date (14th April), by placing them in the multi-coloured box which can be found on the font. If you weren’t on the old roll and now wish your name to be included, spare application forms can be found on the cross pew. Full names, full addresses and signatures are required.

If you have any questions, please call Sian on 01249 716112 or email on sian.cooper@virgin.net. The new Roll will be available for inspection from 15th April. Any errors or omissions may be corrected between then and the date of the APCM on 29th April but no names can then be added until after the APCM.

For More information:

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Team Website: - corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk

PASTORAL VISITING: If you know of someone who is in need of pastoral care please contact L’nora 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

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Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

Old Testament Reading – Exodus 2:1-10

Moses Is Born

A man from the Levi tribe married a woman from the same tribe,² and she later had a baby boy. He was a beautiful child, and she kept him inside for three months.³ But when she could no longer keep him hidden, she made a basket out of reeds and covered it with tar. She put him in the basket and placed it in the tall grass along the edge of the Nile River.⁴ The baby's older sister stood off at a distance to see what would happen to him.

⁵ About that time one of the king's daughters came down to take a bath in the river, while her servant women walked along the river bank. She saw the basket in the tall grass and sent one of the young women to pull it out of the water.⁶ When the king's daughter opened the basket, she saw the baby and felt sorry for him because he was crying. She said, "This must be one of the Hebrew babies."

⁷ At once the baby's older sister came up and asked, "Do you want me to get a Hebrew woman to take care of the baby for you?"⁸ "Yes," the king's daughter answered. So the girl brought the baby's mother,⁹ and the king's daughter told her, "Take care of this child, and I will pay you." The baby's mother carried him home and took care of him.¹⁰ And when he was old enough, she took him to the king's daughter, who adopted him. She named him Moses because she said, "I pulled him out of the water." (CEV)

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman.² The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months.³ When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river.⁴ His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it.⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said.⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?'⁸ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother.⁹ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it.¹⁰ When the child grew

up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.' (NRSVA)

New Testament Reading – 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Praise God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! The Father is a merciful God, who always gives us comfort.⁴ He comforts us when we are in trouble, so that we can share that same comfort with others in trouble.⁵ We share in the terrible sufferings of Christ, but also in the wonderful comfort he gives.⁶ We suffer in the hope that you will be comforted and saved. And because we are comforted, you will also be comforted, as you patiently endure suffering like ours.⁷ You never disappoint us. You suffered as much as we did, and we know that you will be comforted as we were. (CEV)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation,⁴ who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God.⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ.⁶ If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering.⁷ Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation. (NRSVA)

Gospel Reading John 13:1-9

Jesus' mother stood beside his cross with her sister and Mary the wife of Clopas. Mary Magdalene was standing there too.²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and his favourite disciple with her, he said to his mother, "This man is now your son."²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, "She is now your mother." From then on, that disciple took her into his own home. (CEV)

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.'²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. (NRSVA)

SERVICES FOR THE NEXT WEEK AT ST BART'S

Wednesday 03 Apr 19

10.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Jim Hawkins

Sunday 07 Apr 19 – Lent 5

8.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Andrew

10.00am **Holy Communion** led by Revd Victor

Anthem: STAINER – God so loved the world

The Contemporary English Version (CEV) readings have been used this week as they are more relevant for all-age worship. *The usual New Revised Standard Version (Anglicised) readings are shown in italics.*