

# Welcome to St Mary's

## Worship Today:

8.30 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.30 am Holy Communion (CW)  
Readings: John 20: 11-18 + Psalm 42  
followed by Bring & Share Lunch in the Parish  
Rooms

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*Prayer is offered, in the Resurrection Chapel, during and after each 10.30 service. You are encouraged to bring your concerns and your thanks to God and you can be assured that your requests will be kept confidential.*

We have toy bags for small children to play with during the Service, and under 5's can use the Children's Corner at any time, with parental supervision.

## Mid-week:

Wednesdays 9.00 am Short informal Morning Prayer – All welcome  
Thursdays 10.00 am Holy Communion  
5.45 – 8.15 pm GFS in the Parish Rooms

## Services on 22<sup>nd</sup> April

8.30 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.30 am Morning Worship (CW)  
6.30 pm Iona Communion

## DIARY & NOTICES

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Apr ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING and ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING: 7.30 pm in the Parish Rooms.** As this is an important meeting and will affect all St Mary's congregations, please do your best to attend.

**Thu 19<sup>th</sup> Apr COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING:** 10.00 – 11.45. Everyone welcome for coffee/tea, cake, craft and a chat. Please invite your friends and neighbours to join you.

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Apr PHOENIX GROUP** (bereavement group) are going for coffee and cakes to Alderford Lake, Whitchurch. Those requiring transport please meet at Lidl car park at 10.20am (to leave at 10.30am).

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Apr PRAYER BREAKFAST:** 9.00 am in St Mary's. These will be held on the last Saturday of each month so please make a note in your diaries.

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Apr CONCERT** by Market Drayton Choral Society: 7.30 pm in St. Mary's.

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Apr SINGLES LUNCH** at Bridgmere: 1 pm. Transport can be provided for those who need it but please advise Val.

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May SWAP SHOP:** 10.30 am in the Parish Rooms. Please start sorting items that can be brought and swapped.

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018

There will be no house-to-house collection this year in the town; but, in order to raise funds for this Christian organisation, there will be a **Bag Pack** on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May in Morrisons. Please help, if possible, by signing-up on the sheet in the Welcome Area. We need 60-70 people from across our churches, in order to cover 10 tills for 6 hours from 10.00am-4.00pm. PLEASE GET INVOLVED IF YOU CAN! (*Churches Together Committee*)

**We are looking for a new organiser** for the weekly Coffee Rota. If you would like to find out more please see Haechin. **The need is urgent!**

**CAFÉ WORSHIP:** We are planning to introduce a new family-friendly, informal, café-style worship gathering, which will meet at 4pm on a Sunday afternoon, every other month, alternating with our Messy Church services. If you would be interested in helping with this new service and/or want to find out more, please talk to Catherine McBride.

**THANK YOU** to all those who brought their used stamps to church for **Embrace**. This charity has been able to raise over £7,000 this season from these donations.

**CARE HOME FRIENDS:** Churches Together in Market Drayton are exploring the possibility of setting up a Care Home Friends project in the area. Would you be willing to give some time to befriend a lonely elderly person in a care home and spend time chatting, reading, playing a board game or taking them for a walk? To find out more visit the Churches Together website [churchestogether-marketdrayton.org.uk/chf](http://churchestogether-marketdrayton.org.uk/chf) by 7 May.

**SHROPSHIRE CYCLE RIDE:** this will be held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June, with a choice of 85 miles or 35 miles, 100% of the proceeds to be given to Hope House Children's Hospice. If interested, or you would like to know more, please look on: 'shropshirecycleride.com'



**CAP Release Group** (help with addictions) **07845 762 309**  
**CAP Debt Centre** **0800 328 0006** or **01274 760839**  
**CAP Job Club** **07399 852 163**  
**FOUNTAINS Counselling Service** **07980 387 847**

**CAP JOB CLUB** will be starting up again on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April. It is an 8-week course, held weekly at Christchurch, Buntingsdale Road, TF9 1LT from 10.30-12.30. If you know anyone who might need support in getting back to employment, please ask them to contact Carol Preston on 07399 852163. Many have gained confidence as well as been able to find a job through this valuable course.

**FOODBANK LENT CHALLENGE:** if you have saved 40p a day for the 40 days of Lent and haven't yet handed it in, please write a cheque for £16 made out to 'Market Drayton Foodbank' (or cash) and drop your envelope into the Parish Rooms. Alternatively you can donate online at: [www.marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk/donate-money](http://www.marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk/donate-money)



**ALSO, DESPITE THE MORRISONS COLLECTION LAST WEEK (which did help the stock), THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE STILL URGENTLY NEEDED: Long Life Juice, UHT Milk, Coffee, Tinned Fruit, Rice Pudding, Sponge Puddings, Toilet Rolls and Toiletries, Laundry Washing Powder & Washing Up Liquid; also Low Stock: Tinned Custard and Carrier Bags.**

*NB: Any items for the notice sheet should be submitted no later than Thursday morning either to Carol Corney*

#### CONTACT DETAILS

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**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**EASTER 3**

#### **THE MESSAGE OF THE CROSS WAS FORGIVENESS and HOPE**

FORGIVENESS is a big part of the releasing process. To hold a grudge, or just to be at odds with someone, can be detrimental to our health – not just a slur on a relationship. One doctor has said: "It's not what you are eating, but what's eating you, that threatens your health". Anger and unforgiveness contribute most to physical illness!

Jesus said, in Luke 6: "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who ill-treat you". Difficult? Yes, but when Jesus tells us to do something, He gives us the grace to do it.

to access the notice sheet online go to: [www.stmarysmarketdrayton.org.uk](http://www.stmarysmarketdrayton.org.uk)