



The Parish of  
**Winchcombe**

**11 March 2018**

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent -  
Mothering Sunday**

*Growing in God, growing the family of God*

**Welcome!**

Jesus draws us to himself as a mother gathers her children in her arms. He comforts our sorrows and binds up our wounds. Through his labour, may we come forth in joy. Through his dying, may we be born to new life.

**Services for Today**

**St Peter's, Winchcombe**

8.00am Holy Communion

*President and Preacher: John Paul Hoskins*

10.30am Parish Communion

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**Christ Church, Gretton**

10.00am Holy Communion

*President and Preacher: Rob Pestell*

**St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge**

No service today

**Today's Readings**

**Morning Service**

Exodus 2.1-10 (OT, page 50)

Colossians 3.12-17 (NT, page 199)

Luke 2.33-35 (NT, page 56)

**Journeying to Jerusalem**

A quiet morning to prepare for Holy Week on Saturday 24 March 10am – 1pm at St Peter's Church. It will conclude with a simple communion and a Bring and Share lunch.

**Office Closure**

The office will be closed on 14 March. It will reopen on Wednesday 21 March. It is open as usual on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

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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.

## Weekday Services (12-17 March)

Services are at St Peter's unless otherwise stated.

<b>Monday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.00am	Collective Worship
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	4.30pm	Evening Prayer at Wormington
<b>Thursday</b>	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Toddler Time
<b>Friday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
	12.00pm	Funeral of Rosalind Knowles

## Sunday 18 March

### The Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### St Peter's, Winchcombe

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion  
with Stations of the Cross

5.30pm Evensong sung by the Gloucester  
Cathedral Girls' Choir

#### St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge

9.15am Holy Communion

#### Christ Church, Gretton

10.00am Morning Worship

## **Heating**

We are currently carrying out tests to determine the most efficient way to heat St Peter's. Please do not adjust the heating controls.

## **Lent Groups**

This year there are two Lent Groups looking at Faith, Hope and Love. Fridays at 10.45am in St Nicholas' Presbytery and Mondays at 7.15pm in St Peter's Centre.

## **Lent Lunches**

The Lent lunches this year will be served on Fridays from midday in the Methodist Church Hall. The next lunch is on 16 March supporting Parkinson's UK.

## **Men's Breakfast**

On Sunday 18 March at 8.30am at the Corner Cupboard the men will meet for breakfast. Please contact Mike Ferris if you would like to join ([michaelferris.mike@gmail.com](mailto:michaelferris.mike@gmail.com)).

## **Thanksgiving Service for Norman Bussey**

This will take place on Friday 23 March at 2.00pm in Christ Church, Gretton. Contributions towards a Lectern Bible for Christ Church as a memorial to Norman can be given to the office (cash only) or paid electronically.

(Account Number: 69199668 Sort Code: 30-91-87  
Please reference your transfer as 'Norman Bussey')

## **Garage Sale for WAM**

The McEwans are having a garage sale on Saturday 30 March, 10.30am – 1.00pm in aid of WAM charity (We All Matter) in Winchcombe. There will be plenty of items looking for a new home. Please come and have a look and see if there is anything that you may need!

## **Great Western Ambulance**

Following the cancellation of last week's Lent lunch, there will be an alternative fundraising lunch for Great Western Ambulance on Friday 18 May at the Guide Hall.

## **Amity Group**

Amity Group meets monthly for tea and cake. We are looking for someone to take over the coordination for this important group, after many years of committed service from Jo Stevinson. Please contact Jo (602195) for more information.

## Music at St Peter's Today

### Morning Service:

Hymns: 631, 182, The love of God, 819

Anthem: For the beauty of the earth - Rutter

Before the service: Prière à notre Dame – Böellmann

After the service: Now thank we all our God –  
Karg-Elert

## Children and Young People

We have children's groups during the 10.30am service at St Peter's for those aged 4-18. Please gather at the back of church when instructed during the service.

A toilet and baby changing facilities are available by the kitchen at the back of the church. There are toys available in St Peter's Centre and activity packs for older children.

### Toddler Time

Toddler Time is every Thursday at 10.00am in St Peter's Lady Chapel. We meet for craft, story time, music, play and refreshments. Children from babies to preschool are welcome with parents, grandparents and carers.

## Clerk to the Governors

Our church primary school, Winchcombe Abbey, is looking for a new Clerk to Governors. This is a paid position and involves clerking six meetings a year as well as additional meetings as needed. Please talk to Anna Hay, the Chair of Governors, if you or someone you know might be interested – [ahay@glos.ac.uk](mailto:ahay@glos.ac.uk) or 604743.

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