

Parish News for the Parish of St James and St John, Enmore Green, in the Shaftesbury Team

Sunday 25th March Palm Sunday

St James 8:00 a.m. BCP Communion (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

9:30 a.m. Parish Communion (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers) Readings: Passion Narrative according to Mark

St John 11:15 a.m. Parish Communion (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers) **12:15 midday St John AGM**

St James 2:00 p.m. Baptism-Flynn Hulcoop (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Monday 26th March St James 10:00 a.m. Experiencing Easter- set-up

11:30 a.m. Burial of ashes – Pamela Lishman (Rev. Dr. H. Dawes)

St John 7:30 p.m. Music and Reflection (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Tuesday 27th March St James 9:00 a.m. Experiencing Easter

1:30 p.m. Easter egg-hunt in churchyard

8:00 p.m. Compline (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Wednesday 28th March St James 9:00 a.m. Morning prayer. Experiencing Easter

8:00 p.m. Compline (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Thursday 29th March St James 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Eucharist and Stripping of the Altars

Friday 30th March St John 9:45 a.m. Meditation at the Cross (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

St James 1:30 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Sunday 1st April EASTER DAY St James 9:30 a.m. Family Festival Communion (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

St John 11:15 a.m. Family Festival Communion (Rev. Dr. S. Chambers)

Please pray for our neighbours and friends who are unwell: Sheila Brock, Edgar Francis, Jeff Parker, Alec, and Andrew Lobb. Pray for the family and friends of those who have died recently- Helen Cole, Rev. John Pearson, Shirley Ridout, Audrey Dart, Kelvin Pritchard and for those on this year's mind list.

Help urgently needed for brass cleaning on Tuesday 27th March starting 10 a.m.. Please see Jane.

Holy Week; Tuesday 27th March after school - Easter Egg Hunt for Village/ School - around churchyard & field – Julian Richards to organise a quiz. Tea/coffee and soft drinks to follow. Easter Eggs for completed quiz. £1 per head. Adults needed to man the outside areas where youngsters might be vulnerable please.

Easter Lilies; Please consider donating towards the cost of Easter lilies in memory of a loved one. A stem of lilies costs £3:50 at present. Collection tin is at the back of the church. Flower Ladies-please come to help decorate on Saturday 31st March starting at 10:00 a.m..

Please note the **Team Office will be closing** for Easter on Wednesday 28th March at 12 noon, reopening on Tuesday 3rd April at 9:00 a.m..

Good Friday - Churches Together Walk of Witness around Shaftesbury, meet in the Commons outside the NatWest Bank for an 11a.m. start. **Easter Day** - Sunrise Service on Park Walk at 6:30 a.m., followed by refreshments at the Friends' Meeting House.

Churchyard working party needed 9:30 a.m. SATURDAY 31st MARCH. Even just an hour would help. For tools to bring contact Alan Carter 852820.

ARMISTICE 100. Churches will be **RINGING FOR PEACE** at first with the bells muffled to remember the huge loss of life in The Great War and then with them removed, to commemorate the finish of that awful conflict. St. James Ringers would like to purchase a set of muffles and to store them in a wooden box with a brass plaque in remembrance of all those from the Parish who lost their lives. The muffles would then be available for other solemn occasions. The total cost is expected to be about £300. If you would like to help, please add your name to the list at the back of the church or contact Alan Carter 852820 or Roger Alford 853179

The Children's Society The House-to-House collection this year is from Sat. 14th. - Sat. 28th. April. We badly need new collectors as our gallant team grow older, and we can make the collection area as small as people wish. Volunteers to Richard Huband please (854741). It is such a good cause. In 2017 the Society worked with 13,000 children and young people, and we can but be aware of the risks such children face in today's world.

Open House Easter Hamper Appeal; Open House would be grateful for donations of Easter eggs, Chocolate or sweet treats, Soft toys (for young children), Drinks (non-alcoholic please) for vulnerable families. Boxes will be available in your church for donations and will be collected after Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday). For any further information, please contact: Alan Kirkham 853515 alanjean.kirkham@gmail.com Helen Beecham 852994 helen@fathershouseshaftesbury.co.uk

Electoral Roll This is the time to update the Parish Electoral Roll. If you are already on it, you need do nothing. If you are not and wish to be included, with voting rights at the Annual Church Meeting on 22nd April, please complete the form you will find in a folder at the crossing and leave it in the folder or return it to Judy Wade, 40 St James St by Wednesday April 4th. There is a copy of the current roll in the folder if you wish to check. With thanks JMW.

Date for the Diary: We have booked the Town Hall for Friday 11th May, just before Christian Aid Week, for a Lunch to replace our Lent Lunch that was snowed off. We have been talking with the Syrian families and they would love to play a part, adding some Middle Eastern food to our soups and having the chance to meet more Shaftesbury people."