

**WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Vivienne Bell, Joyce Powell, Ann Bordess, Claire Froud, Colin Thompson, Nathaniel, Pete Henderson, Ann Harrison, Marion Neville, Harry Hindess, Eileen Smith, Ashley Powell.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY BECOME ILL:**

Maureen Palmer, Gillian Butler, Jennie Willis, Pat Watson, Judith Harrison, Linda Astley, Mary Gunn, Colin Graham, Margaret Rigby, Julie Ann Parson, Margaret Pigott, Elsie Smith.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH FALLS AT THIS TIME:**

James Tynemouth, Lewis Slater, Gladys Marley, Ina Murton, David Dodds, Marian Snowdon, Elizabeth Pegram.



**15 March 2026**

**Mothering Sunday**

**SUNDAY 10.00am Holy Communion** in church and with choir

**TUESDAY 10.00am Holy Communion** in church

**COLLECT**

God of love,  
passionate and strong,  
tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us  
all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**POST COMMUNION COLLECT**

Loving God,  
as a mother feeds her children at the breast  
you feed us in this sacrament with the food  
and drink of eternal life:  
help us who have tasted your goodness  
to grow in grace within the household of faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK**

**Monday 16 March**

1.30pm Craft Group  
7.00pm PCC in church

**Tuesday 17 March**

9.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Holy Communion in church  
12noon Electricity meter changeover  
7.00pm Quiz night (online)

**Wednesday 18 March**

9.30am Trinity Tots  
7.00pm Lent Course

**Thursday 19 March**

7.30pm Choir Practice

**Sunday 22 March 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8.00am Holy Communion in church  
10.00am Holy Communion in church and with choir

**Bible Readings for next Sunday:**

**Old Testament Reading** Ezekiel 37.1-14  
**New Testament Reading** Romans 8.6-11  
**Gospel Reading** John 11.1-45

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Exodus 2.1-10**

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. 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. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

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. 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. 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?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to

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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. 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.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God**

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## NEW TESTAMENT READING

**Colossians 3.12-17**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God**

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## GOSPEL READING

**Luke 2.33-35**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.  
Blessed are those who have endured temptation, they have stood the test and will receive the crown of life.

**All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## NOTICES THIS WEEK

### **Lent Course**

Throughout the Lent season, we will be studying The Creeds together. Please join us in church at 7pm on Wednesday evenings until 25<sup>th</sup> March as we explore the central tenets of our faith.

### **Easter services (PLEASE TAKE & SHARE A LEAFLET FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH)**

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm – Easteringle Service for families

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 10am - Palm Sunday Sung Eucharist

### **Holy week services**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 7pm – Eucharist

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 7pm – Service at St Michael and All Angels, Sulgrave

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 7pm – Iona Lent service with anointing

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7pm – Maundy Thursday Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2pm – Good Friday service around the Cross

### **Easter Day services**

5.30am - Dawn Service followed with breakfast

8am - Easter Day Eucharist

10am - Easter Day Sung Eucharist

### **Easter Raffle**

We are proposing to have our customary "Easter Chocolate Raffle" again this year and would be most grateful for the donation of prizes for the event. The proceeds will of course go to much needed Church Funds.

### **Elsie Smith**

Elsie's daughter wanted to let her church friends know that Elsie has had a fall and is currently in hospital. She would greatly appreciate your prayers at this time and we do of course wish her a speedy recovery.

### **Weekly Giving Envelopes**

These are now available at the back of church for those who usually give in this way. If you visit someone who uses envelopes but doesn't get to church, could you please deliver their envelopes to them? Thank you.

### **Thank You**

We have received an update on the work carried out by Our Lady of Mercy in Sunderland to support the homeless, which we help to fund with our annual donation. They provide sleeping bags, gloves and scarves, but also packed lunches every day of the week, often 30 at a time. They also support a Christmas Day meal and weekly hot meals from their Parish Hall. Fr Hancock is extremely grateful for our generosity and support. We raised £425 this year so thank you all again. Val and Geoff.

### **Filming in Church**

The film making group who were working in church last year would like to continue their work. It was so good to be able to support a local group of enthusiasts, and we are hoping that with the help of some volunteers we can do so again. If you feel you would be able to spend some time on an occasional Saturday, to be in church while they work, please let Jan know and she will make a rota once dates are set. Thank you,

**The Sunday service** will begin at 10am. If you would like to join us online, please email [office.htcw@gmail.com](mailto:office.htcw@gmail.com) to be included in our circulation list. If you would like to join the service by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196. The meeting ID number is 850 2953 3415 followed by # (hash). The password is 473130, followed by # (hash).

### **Quiz/Games Night – Tuesdays at 7pm**

All are very welcome to join in, just click on the link in this month's email, or if you are joining by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196 the meeting ID is 870 6505 4582 followed by # (hash) and the password is 726138 followed by # (hash) and remember to press \*6 to talk to us.