

THE CHURCH @ THE PINES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ORDER OF SERVICE 6th April

LEADER: Brian Gennery

Welcome and Notices

Quiet Time

Call to Worship

Hymn – Lord of all hopefulness

Prayers of adoration, thanksgiving and repentance

Hymn: Brother, sister, let me serve you

Reading: John 12: 1-8

Action and Talk

Reflection on readings

Hymn: Christ is the world's light

Prayers of Intercession, Road Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Go forth and tell

Blessing

Grace

Coffee

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is:

<https://youtube.com/live/qbmih-MiZM8?feature=share>



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

As schools and colleges begin their Easter holidays, we pray that all teachers, teaching assistants, support staff and all those who work in and with schools can enjoy a restful, restorative break. We pray for all young people that they can have fun, rest and hear about the Easter story. We pray for those who are preparing for exams and will spend much of the holidays revising. Please give them moments of rest and relaxation too.

We pray for anyone who is unwell, praying especially at this time for Fred and Beth's Mum. Embrace them with your love, hope and care Lord. Bless the hands and hearts of those who care for them.

As we journey through Lent help us to draw closer to you, God, and your plan for us.

This week, we pray for all those living in Gainsborough. May they know your peace and love in their lives. Amen.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box (for cash) and a contactless machine (for cards) is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church.

Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

Collection of Easter Eggs for Pines School

A huge thank you to everyone who donated eggs. The school are very grateful.

Dates for diaries

- 13th April – Palm Sunday
- 18th April – Good Friday, kids workshop 11am-1pm, reflective service 12pm
- 20th April – Easter Day, service at usual time of 11am

Details of other services during Holy Week at The Parish Church and within the Circuit are within this newsletter.

Good Friday Workshop for Sunday School

11am-1pm, please see poster attached.



House Group

Linda and Reg run a house group on Wednesday evenings, starting at 7.45pm. All are welcome to join them for this mid-week time of fellowship. Please do speak to Linda or Reg if you'd like more details and for their address.

Ladies Group

A bible study group runs on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10am. Please speak to Hazel for more details.

New Mens Group

We will be introducing a group for men to meet together. Please speak to Ben or Brian if you are interested.

New Walk and Talk Group

This group will meet at 2pm on the 4th Saturday of every month, with the first group being Saturday 26th April. Please speak to Sarah if you'd like to join for the first group.

NOTICES FROM THE CIRCUIT

Maundy Thursday service

There will be a Circuit service on Maundy Thursday, further details to follow.



NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S

School Admissions

Those wishing to apply to Ranelagh church school on church attendance criteria will be required to have up to two stamps each month in their child's passport, when they attend a regular service during Years 4 & 5 (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please go to the school website for their latest admissions policy.

Holy Week Services at the Parish Church

	HOLY MONDAY Jesus visits his friends in Bethany and Mary anoints the feet of Jesus.	8pm	Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross
	HOLY TUESDAY Jesus foretells the betrayal of Judas and the denial of Peter	6pm 8pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross
	HOLY WEDNESDAY Judas makes a deal with the high priests; he agrees to turn Jesus over for 30 silver coins	8pm	Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross
	MAUNDY THURSDAY The Last Supper takes place. Jesus institutes the sacrament of the Eucharist	8pm	The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday
	GOOD FRIDAY Jesus is sentenced to death by crucifixion. He dies on the cross and is buried in a tomb.	12pm 2pm 8pm	Good Friday Reflections The Liturgy of Good Friday Tenebrae
	HOLY SATURDAY The body of Jesus remains in the tomb. He has descended to the dead.	8pm	Vigil



READING

John 12: 1-8

1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2 Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. 3 Then Mary took about half a litre of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

4 But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, 5 'Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages.[a]' 6 He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

7 'Leave her alone,' Jesus replied. 'It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. 8 You will always have the poor among you,[b] but you will not always have me.'

