

**St Peter's Church** is part of the Team Parish of Ipsley which consists of St Peter's Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough.

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Notices for "The Catch" to the office

### PASTORAL CARE IN ST PETER'S:

We have a very supportive Pastoral Care team. If you have any concerns, need prayer or someone to talk to or who can help you in a practical way please contact the Rector, Canon Garth Nathaniel, either by leaving a phone message on the office phone or directly via the Rectory.

### HOUSE GROUPS

Tues pm: Linda Nicholas 451635  
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Wed eve: Judy Evans 404522  
For further information please contact the group leader.



### Children's Activities @ St Peter's

Godly play 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at

St. Peters@9:45

### Weekday Clubs:

*Scramblers for 0-5 years on Mondays  
in term time.*

### Cool Zone

*for 7-11 years—6:30 pm*

*Christ Church Matchborough*

**Youth Club 7:30 -9:30 at Christ Church**



# The Catch

Weekly News sheet for St Peter's Church, in the Parish of Ipsley



Palm Sunday

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

14th April 2019

### Today's Services

9:45 am Contemporary Worship  
11:15 am Morning worship  
6:30 pm Evening Worship

### Diary For The Week

|          |                                      |              |
|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| 9:30 am  | Morning Prayers                      | <b>Mon</b>   |
| 2:00 pm  | Craft Group                          | <b>15</b>    |
| 7:30 pm  | Table Tennis                         |              |
| 9:30am   | Morning Prayers                      | <b>Tue</b>   |
|          |                                      | <b>16</b>    |
| 12:00pm  | BCP Communion                        | <b>Wed</b>   |
| 12:30am  | St. Peter's Pantry                   | <b>17</b>    |
| 9:30am   | Communion at St John's Greenlands    | <b>Thurs</b> |
| 7:00am   | Agape Meal                           | <b>18</b>    |
| 10:30am  | Family Service                       | <b>Fri</b>   |
| 12:00    | 3 Hours at the Cross                 | <b>19</b>    |
| 7:00pm   | Bell Ringing                         |              |
| 2:00pm   | Baptism of Freddie Richard Alan Kemp | <b>Sat</b>   |
|          |                                      | <b>20</b>    |
| 10:30pm  | Easter Communion                     | <b>Sun</b>   |
| 1 0:30am | Holy Communion                       | <b>21</b>    |
| 6:30pm   | Evening Worship                      |              |

### Collect for the week

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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 forever. Amen

### PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

**9:45 am Friday: Gethsemane**  
Matthew 26:17-30

**11:15 am The Passion Reading**  
Luke 22.14– 23.56

**6.30 pm Palm Sunday**  
Isaiah 50:1-4  
Philippians 2:5-11

## Lent Reflection

On Palm Sunday, Jesus rides into Jerusalem and throughout the city the crowds go wild waving palms and shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David" and "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord". But really no one had a clue or understood that Jesus was riding into Jerusalem with eyes wide open knowing full well that this trip would end in sacrificial death for the sin of humanity.

At Lent study last week, we talked of understanding Jesus or though in this case it was the lack of understanding Jesus! The Disciples **didn't** understand, in Luke 20:1-4 7&8 the religious authorities **refused** to understand. Their problem was that Jesus and **His** authority confronted **their** authority. They challenged Jesus and what they faced is the same for most who come into contact with Jesus.

***His** authority confronts **our** authority.*

At first, maybe it's just an irritating sermon that makes us a bit uncomfortable. We don't like it, but we brush it aside and continue on with our own agenda. Then, perhaps another encounter with Jesus: A Bible passage which steps on our toes. We realise that if **He** takes over our lives, we will have to make some radical changes, and we're not sure that we want to **give up control**. But He keeps coming back to town and confronting our authority to run our lives. Sooner or later, we have to deal with the question those Jewish religious leaders asked: "*By what authority does Jesus say and do these things?*" The bottom line for them is the same as for people today raising all sorts of questions so that they don't have to face the fact that **He is Lord**.

As we enter the door of Holy Week let us not resemble the crowd who refused to see Jesus as he truly is.

Let's consider the question: Who is Jesus for us? Do we want him to satisfy our selfish wants or is he Lord and Master who gave up his life to save us from our sins?

Blessings *Linda Nicholas*

### Agape Meal—Thursday 18th April at 7pm in the Huband. Room

Please come and join with the fellowship of St. Peter's and St. John's for the Agape Meal this Thursday. There will be informal communion and a bring and share supper. There are sign up sheets to say what food you are bringing in the Huband Room.

**Easter Sunday services:** Easter Sunday communion services will be at 10:30am, one in church and one in the Huband room. There will be an Easter Reflection at 6.30pm.

### "ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING" for:

**Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru:** For Juan Carlos leading Jesus el Nazareno with general Diocesan responsibilities. For Penny with responsibilities for children's work.



**Those who are sick:** Betty Wood, Tia, Kate Bainbridge, Chris Tilley, Andrew Johnson, Alex Street, Peter Barcham, Joanne Heaselgrave, Joanne Goodwin, Erica Dilger, Michael Hawkins, Mark Brunner, Imran Shergill, Christine Nash, Glynis Horton, Linda Grummet, Emily Gadd, Jacqui Street and Janet Tegg.

**Prayers for a poorly baby:** Please pray for Iyra Dutton, Grandson of Jon and Di Veal who is very poorly and also please pray for his parents Tash and Ty Dutton

**The Bereaved:** Please pray for the families of Shirley Butcher and Jean Downes

**Our Nation:** For our MP Rachel Maclean & the Government involved in Brexit negotiations, for our local councillor & mayor Juliet Brunner and for our security services working to keep us safe;

**Migration Crisis:** For the protection of people and an end to the human trafficking circuits. For those returning to homes and livelihoods destroyed by war.

**Parish Prayers:** Norton Close Matchborough, Batsford Close Wirehill, Grafton Close Woodrow, Highly Close Winyates.

**CPAS:** This week we are asked to pray for CPAS Patronage Churches in vacancy to thrive and grow while they go through the process of appointing a new leader.

**World:** Pray for all those who suffer. That we may seek God's guidance and discernment to the various ways of how we can help.

**Chaplaincies;** Chaplains and volunteers in retail and industrial chaplaincy in Redditch, prison chaplaincy, and hospital chaplaincy. Padres to the Air, Army and Sea Cadets.

**Churches Together:** Please pray for all of the Easter services and activities that are being planned in the Churches across the town of Redditch.

**Family Breakfast:** Family breakfast booked for Saturday 20th April has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

**Midday Communion:** Please remember the BCP 12:00 noon communion on Wednesday 17th April immediately before the St Peter's Pantry lunch. Celebrant this week Revd Richard Clarke from the Trinity Team.

**Computer Presentation:** We are in need of someone who would be prepared to learn out to put together computer presentations and operate the computer at the 9:45 service. If you are interested please speak to Steve Mitchell.