

### Prayer for the new housing

Continuing on Sat 18th Mar there will be a short prayer meeting at St. James in Radley (9.30 - 10am) to pray for the proposed new housing developments & for the churches involvement in responding wisely, helping to make people welcome, showing them God's love and building community. Its a great opportunity to get together from across the Benefice to pray for our communities and if you know of people who perhaps go elsewhere to church but live in the Benefice, do invite them along too. All are welcome!

The Arcdeacon of Oxford, Martin Gorrick, has kindly agreed to come and talk to our PCCs and congregations about ways we can get involved in helping make people welcome, show them God's love and build community as the proposed new housing developments begin to take shape. Please come to this meeting on Tues 4th April at 7.30pm in the Church Room. There will be more details nearer the time, but for now, please pop the date in your diary if you are interested, and mention it to other people.

### OUR WEBSITE

All events will be on our website where you will find up-to-date information. If you have any notices that people need to know about, Iain can upload the information on the website. Please email him on [iain.winton@gmail.com](mailto:iain.winton@gmail.com)

If you have any items for the **April Newsheet**, please could you make sure that you get the information to Emma Moore ([e39moore@virginmedia.com](mailto:e39moore@virginmedia.com) or 01235 550885) by **Friday 17th March**.

### **Men!**

Walk: Sat 11 Mar (meeting Church car park at 10am) 5 mile mystery walk finishing with a pub lunch

Vicarage Garden. Sat 18 Mar(10-12). Help needed to keep it in order

Pub evening Fri 31 Mar (8pm on) (usual get together on last Fri of month in the Bowyers)

Further details from Phil, Charlie and Tony

### Bell Ringing

Have you ever thought about helping to ring the bells to call people to Church?

We are in need of new ringers to join us and if you would like to know more, please come and see us either at a Thursday evening practice (7.30 to 9.00pm), pop up on a Sunday morning (10.30 to 11.00am), or contact Daphne Pollard on 01235 532887 or by email [daphne@pollard43.plus.com](mailto:daphne@pollard43.plus.com)

### Come and Sing

#### John Stainer's The Crucifixion

at St Leonard's Church, Sunningwell on Good Friday at Midday for 4pm.

All the details needed if you wish to sing (midday) or just go and listen (4pm) can be found at [www.OperaAnywhere.com](http://www.OperaAnywhere.com).

### Church Room Bookings

If you would like to book the Church Room for an event, please contact Gill Dean preferably by email on [gilldean50@gmail.com](mailto:gilldean50@gmail.com). If you can only phone please do so between **9am and 5pm** on 01235 202973.

### Useful contact details:

The Vicarage - 01235 554739 or [rsk.benefice@gmail.com](mailto:rsk.benefice@gmail.com).

### Wardens:

Iain Winton 01235 200915 / 0787 6713842

Linda Caldicott 01235 527728 / 07846 301788



St James the Great, Radley

MARCH 2017



### MARCH SERVICES AND READINGS

Sun 5th Mar	Lent 1	Rom 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11
Sun 12th Mar	Lent 2	Rom 4.1-5, 13-17 John 3.1-17
Sun 19th Mar	Lent 3	Rom 5.1-11 John 4.5-42
Sun 26th Mar	Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	Col 3.12-17 Luke 2.33-35

Please join us for coffee in the Church Room after the 11am service.

### CRECHE for the 11am service

Just come along or contact Katie North on 532203

If in our communion service you would like to receive:

**Non-alcoholic wine, Gluten free wafers or in your seat rather than coming forward.**

Please inform one of the sidespeople.



**RADLEY**  
On the first Sunday of the month  
11.00am

### Please Pray as we continue the process for a new incumbent

Our vacant position was advertised in the Church Times for two weeks, starting on 24<sup>th</sup> February and is on the Diocesan web-site.

Guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new incumbent for this benefice, that the one whom we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people; ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, Jesus. Amen

### Lent Groups

Please consider joining one of the weekly Lent Groups running for 5 weeks as we look at

**"Acts of Love: 5 Ways to Change the World"**

Tues 8pm (starting 14 March at 9 Selwyn Crescent)

Wed 8pm (starting 8 March, details Phil/Floss Henderson 01235 520498 )

Wed 8pm, probably (details Martha Young 01865 423382 )

Thurs 1030am (starting 2 March in Radley Church Room)

Fri 1030am (starting 10 March in Kennington Church Hall)





### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONS:

Reverend Yiorvis Bravos Denis and family holding a sign which reads 'Stop eviction in Cuba'. Yiorvis and his family are harassed, and threatened with eviction from their home, because of his Christian ministry. Please pray for them. See also this account of church persecution in Cuba: <https://csw.uk.atavist.com/the-untold-cuba>

At a time of ever increasing global problems and issues let us thank God for, and celebrate the work done by, Mary's Meals in their tireless campaign to feed the world's hungry children



Please pray for the many Church Mission Society people worldwide who cannot be named for security reasons; pray for peace of mind and heart, endurance, safety, good fellowship and encouragement in their work.

#### Please remember in your

#### prayers:

Stan Baker, Gill Breeze, John Eddy, Rosemary Hardwick, Margaret Higgs, Nancy Homewood, Sue Kiff, Betty Lee, Harry Price, Doug Rawlinson, and Cynthia Rogers.



#### In our Year's Mind

11	Joan Lay
16	Roger Steptoe
17	Joyce Scott
23	June Rawlinson
29	Basil Crowley
31	Susan Alexander

#### Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

will be held on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.30pm in the Church Room.

If you would like to be more involved with your church, please consider joining the PCC (Parochial Church Council) - or if you would like to nominate someone (make sure you ask them first!) please ask Yvonne Milward for a nomination form. Elections will be held at the meeting. If you would like to know more, please talk to Yvonne. We will also be electing Churchwardens and Deanery Synod members. **Papers: Papers will only be sent out via email where we have your address, as last year. If you would like a hard copy, please let Yvonne know as soon as possible.**

#### Revision of electoral roll: 3<sup>rd</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

You need to be on the electoral roll in order to participate in the proceedings at the Annual meeting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017. The current electoral roll is on the board at the back of the church. If you are already on it you need do nothing. If you are not on it and you would like to be, please ask Yvonne Milward (01235 530611). She will give you an application form, and this needs to be completed and returned to Yvonne by Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at the latest. The new roll will be displayed on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.

*Yvonne Milward, Secretary of the PCC, (01235 530611) [yvonne.milward@btinternet.com](mailto:yvonne.milward@btinternet.com).*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### **In Church:**

Every Thurs 8.50am - Morning Prayer

Every Sat 8.45 - 9.15am - A Time for Prayer

Every 3rd Sat (18th Mar) 9.30 - 10am - Prayers for the new housing

Sun 12th Mar 6pm - Reflect@6. Christian Art in a world of progress

Sun 19th Mar 11am - Foodbank collection

#### **In the Church Room:**

Every Friday 10am - Noon - Café Radley. (NB: Not on Fri 14th Apr as Good Friday)

Wed 8th Mar 7.30pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wed 22nd Mar Middyay - Luncheon Club

#### **Other Venues:**

Sun 5th Mar 6pm - Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at Sunningwell Church

Sat 11th Mar 10am - Men's Walk and pub lunch

Sat 18th Mar 10am to Middyay - Vicarage Garden work's party

Fri 31 Mar (8pm onwards) - Men's get-together at the Bowyer's Arms

Various dates for the Lent courses - see notice on the front page

#### **Future Dates:**

Fri 14th Apr Middyay / 4pm - John Stainer's The Crucifixion at Sunningwell (Opera Anywhere)

Wed 26th Apr 7.30pm - Annual Parochial Church Meeting in the Church Room

#### EASTER SERVICES

#### Thurs 13th Apr - Maundy Thursday

7pm Service at Radley

#### Fri 14th Apr - Good Friday

An Hour at the Cross

10am Sunningwell

12 noon Radley

#### Sun 16th Apr - Easter Day

6am Sunrise Service at Radley

8am BCP at Radley

11am Easter Service at Radley

(no evening services)



Details of other services at Sunningwell and Kennington are on cards at the back of Church.

**HELP:** Please could you spare an hour or so to help with Mothering Sunday flowers on Sat 25th March in the Church Room at 9.30am to Middyay. Enthusiasm rather than skill necessary. Coffee provided. The more the merrier!!

Reflect@6



**Christian Art in a world of progress**

**The Revd Dr David Wilson CF  
Chaplain, Radley College**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 6 p.m. Radley Church  
Refreshments from 5.30 p.m. All welcome**