

Connected

Sunday 2nd April 2023

Palm Sunday

EASTER EVENTS/SERVICES

1ST APRIL FROM 2PM-4PM
EASTER FAMILY FUN!
CHRIST CHURCH

7TH APRIL AT 12:00NOON
GOOD FRIDAY MARCH OF HOPE
STARTING AT EMMANUEL CHURCH

7TH APRIL AT 2PM
GOOD FRIDAY
'LAST HOUR' SERVICE
CHRIST CHURCH

2ND APRIL AT 10:30AM
PALM SUNDAY
ALL TOGETHER SERVICE - CHRIST CHURCH
HOLY COMMUNION - EMMANUEL

9TH APRIL AT 6:30AM
EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE VIGIL
MARINE PARADE - OPPOSITE CARLTON STREET

7TH APRIL AT 10:30AM
GOOD FRIDAY
ALL TOGETHER SERVICE - CHRIST CHURCH
REFLECTIVE SERVICE - EMMANUEL

9TH APRIL AT 10:30AM
EASTER SUNDAY
HOLY COMMUNION - CHRIST CHURCH
HOLY COMMUNION - EMMANUEL

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church
Luke 19: 36-40 (ICB)



As the song goes, "just one look and I know it's gonna be a lovely day...". Some days are good, some are not so good. But then some days are really special.

What days seem special to you? Christmas? Birthday? Wedding Day? Pay Day?

Maybe you have an event you're really looking forward to. Will it work out as you planned? Today we're going to find out about people who were looking forward to a special day and why. And maybe we'll think about whether it turned out the way they expected.

Emmanuel

Matthew 26: 14 - 27: 66

Please join us at Emmanuel this week to celebrate Palm Sunday – there will be a dramatised reading of the passage telling the story of the Passion of Christ.



What's On This Week

Saturday 1st April

Easter Family Event - 2pm-4pm - at Christ Church
(numbers are limited for this event so, if you would like to attend, please ensure you have registered)

Monday 3rd April

No Ladies Together this week

Tuesday 4th April

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel
The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 5th April

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

Thursday 6th April

No Craft & Chat this week
No Welcome Group this week

Saturday 8th April

Repair Café from 10am-12:30pm at Christ Church

Notices

Tom's Day Off

Please note that Tom's day off this week will be Monday 3rd April.

Larissa Unavailable

Please note that Larissa will be unavailable from Monday 10th April until Friday 14th April inclusive.

Verse For The Week

" 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
'Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!' "

Luke 19: 38

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

Go to the 'Church Life' menu and click on the 'Sunday Services' page

Prayer Pointers

Monday

Praise the Lord for the coming of spring, for all the beauties of the world renewed once more. Give thanks that God has provided you with the faculties and gifts with which to delight in His creation.

Tuesday

Lift up to the Lord our brothers and sisters living under repressive regimes who are prevented from meeting together to commemorate Holy Week. Pray also for any members of our congregations who are housebound and unable to attend church at this time as they would wish. Pray that they will feel the fellowship of faith over Easter despite their situation.

Wednesday

Churches in some parts of the world are in particular danger over Easter of attack by extremists. Pray that our Shepherd will watch over His flock over the next few days, that they can worship Him in safety.

Maundy Thursday

On this day we commemorate the Last Supper and Jesus washing the disciples' feet. Pray that Christians will ever remember this lesson in humility which our Lord gave so that we will also be ready to give ourselves in service when needed.

Good Friday

Reflect on Jesus' suffering on the cross: the cross that shows us the depths to which sin has taken mankind: the cross that shows the extent of God's love for us. Pray for all the world to come to know that love and receive the gift of salvation.

Holy Saturday

As we prepare for our great church festival tomorrow, pray that your sins will be washed away and you will be reborn with our risen Lord. Pray for all our ministers leading and preaching at our Easter services, for the joy and hope of the resurrection to come through in all they do.



Coffee after the Service...

Easter Flowers

This Easter we would like to give a gift of flowers, or a plant, to members of our church family who are unable to come to church now, and to any who who are struggling at the moment.



Baskets will be available at Christ Church this Sunday (2nd April). Please take one and fill with flowers or a plant and bring to church on Easter Sunday. We will then ask for volunteers to deliver them. Thank you.

Sandra

Hot Cross Buns!

Donations of hot cross buns are needed for the Good Friday morning service.

These can be brought in at any time (as they can be put in the freezer here at church).

There will be a 'donations tub' at the back of Christ Church for all donations to be collected.



Thank You!

Nicky



FREE BOOKS...!!

We have had some books donated to us - please do take a look on the table at the back of church (Christ Church) and feel free to take any which may be of interest to you or someone you know.



Thank you!

Darren, Sam, Zach & Hezy want to say thank you so much for the cards, gifts, and prayers received for Hezy's Baptism and to each and every person who helped in any way during the service and bring and share afterwards.

We feel so blessed to be a part of Christ Church family who made all our friends and family feel so welcome and made the day so special.

We had so many comments of how much joy and love was felt in the church and all of you were a part of that.



Thank you again.

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Annual Parochial Church Meetings

A reminder that the dates for our annual meetings are as follows:

Emmanuel: Sunday 16th April after the service

Christ Church: Monday 24th April at 7:30pm

The new Electoral Rolls are now displayed at both Christ Church & Emmanuel - please check these & advise Emma in the Church Office (Christ Church) or Keith Bury (Emmanuel) if any corrections are needed.

At Christ Church we have five vacancies for the PCC (Church Council). At Emmanuel we have one vacancy. This is an important role - please reflect on whether you would like to put yourself forward or maybe suggest it to someone else you think would be good in that role. Nomination forms are available at the back of church, from the Office, or from the Wardens.

More coffee anyone...

A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF A COLLEGE CHAPLAIN

It is Monday morning and I have just posted a "Thought for the Week" and a "Scripture of the Week" online in Microsoft Teams. Another Monday morning task is preparing the reflection for our midweek online service of Oasis which takes place at 08:30 on Wednesdays. A lot happens in "teams" at College, as an easy way of communication. I manage the Thought for the Week, Christian Union, Staff Christian Union, and Bereavement teams while being a member of several others.



Wednesday is my usual day of visiting the three main campuses (Knightstone, Skills, and Loxton) where I loiter in the bistros, chatting to staff and students. For pastoral support meetings I go into College at times in the week to best suit students and staff who request to see me or who are referred to me by welfare.

Thursday lunchtimes we hold Tea 'N' Talk at Knightstone, where anyone can drop in for a free hot drink and cake. I use various cards of conversation starters such as, "If you had a million pounds to spend in a day how would spend it?" Or "What do you think happens when you die?" On average 18 students will join in.



Sometimes people request to spend time shadowing me in College and recently a Reader in Training completed his observation placement with me.



Please remember the students and staff of Weston College in your thoughts and prayers, especially as we approach a season of exams and end of training courses. I should be grateful for your prayers in all my encounters at College and for a growing and deepening of conversations and relationships at Tea 'N' Talk.

With my love and prayers,

Julie

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The next Repair Café
will be held on
Saturday 8th April
from 10am-12:30pm
at Christ Church



Save The Date... Coronation Weekend

Saturday 6th May
3:30pm-6pm
Coronation Tea Party
Christ Church

Sunday 7th May
after morning service
Bring & Share Lunch
Emmanuel



DAILY PRAYERS for the CORONATION of KING CHARLES III

The Church of England has brought out a little booklet with daily prayers starting on Easter Sunday.

Each day there is a bible verse, a reflection, and a prayer - with headings such as 'Called to Service', 'Westminster Abbey', 'The Coronation Regalia', and much more.

Copies cost just £1 each. Please see Jeff Morgan (Christ Church) or Meg Hill (Emmanuel) if you would like to purchase one.