



The Benefice of St Mary's Bocking & Panfield Church

Sunday 19th March 2023
Mothering Sunday
Staying in Contact



The Very Revd Rod Reid - Incumbent (*usual rest day Monday*)

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Forthcoming Services

Hymns

St Mary's, Bocking

Sunday 19th March

8am Said Mass
10am Sung Mass

Wednesday 22nd March

9.30am Said Mass

Sunday 26th March

8am Said Mass
10am Sung Mass

Panfield Church

Sunday 19th March

6pm BCP Evensong

Tuesday 21st March

5pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 26th March

11am Holy Communion

See

*Special
Booklet*

Gospel Acclamation

*Glorify the Lord with me,
together let us
praise his name.*

NOTICES

Spring Forward! - Don't forget... it is next weekend that the clocks go forward an hour, and we wouldn't want you to miss the services!

Quarterly Newsletter - The Spring Issue is here and it would be fantastic to get copies out across the Parish. If you are able to deliver to your road or other local roads please take enough to do so and sign the sheet at the back so we know what road/roads are covered. Thank you.

Christian Youth Outreach - CYO do brilliant work in our local schools both primary and secondary. This month's coffee moneys will be going to support them and especially their link with Bocking School. Coffee Money from January came to £102.37 and is going to the RNLI.

Lent Course - On Mondays 20th and 27th March there will be a session to reflect on that week's material from 'Dust and Glory'. Sessions will run from 1.30pm to 3pm, at The Deanery. Whether you have been part of a discussion group before or not, all are welcome.

'Out of this World' - A huge and heartfelt thank you to everyone involved over the last few days. It has been a big team effort but what a wonderful time too. Hundreds of people have come down to the church to take part in a whole host of space themed events. Those who volunteered went above and beyond, and I am so grateful for it.

Coffee Morning - The last coffee morning to raise funds towards the Flowers for this year's Flower Festival will be on Friday March 24th at 10.30am in the Church Hall.

Electoral Roll - If you have joined St Mary's in the last year or two it is likely you are not on our Electoral Roll. Indeed there may be others who have been meaning to do so, but not taken up the chance. Well, ahead of the Annual Meeting on May 21st, we are inviting you to join now. A short form is at the back, which is easy to fill in and best of all there is no charge either!

A Warm Place this Winter - Our Warm Space has been an incredible success, and so we have made the decision to run a little longer than planned and will now conclude on Friday April 7th with a slightly shorter session which will conclude at 1.30pm. I am thrilled to say that this regular Friday community lunch space will re-launch in May, more details on that in due course. Until then, please continue to show your support each Friday, and tell others about it too.

Prayers - We keep in our prayers Peter Hopkins, Jean Goodwin, Sue, Roger, Frances, Peter, Jo, June Blackwood, Tony & Ann, and Margaret Everitt. We remember our care homes Millard House, Fern Lodge, Aspen Grange, Larchwood, The New Deanery & St Mary's Court. In our Years Mind, we pray for the families of Fred Wiffen, Florence Spink, Walter Burch, Eric Ashbridge, Stanley Lee, Ethel Hurry, and James Thomas.

The Collect for Mothering Sunday

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

Epistle 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.

Gospel Reading - John 19:25-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy,
in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing;
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.