

## Sharing the love of Jesus with All

### Services and activities

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March Mothering Sunday

- ⇒ No service at St Mark's
- ⇒ 11.00am Parish Holy Communion at All Saints'

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March

- ⇒ 9am Edward Bear Club in the hall at Weston

#### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March

- ⇒ 9.30-11am Toddler Group in the hall at St Mark's
- ⇒ 7.30pm Singers at St Mark's Community Choir in St Mark's church

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March

- ⇒ 9am-3pm Cafe @ All Saints' in the hall at Weston
- ⇒ 9.10am Morning Prayer online via Facebook page\*

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March

- ⇒ 1.30pm Craft and Chatter in the hall at St Mark's
- ⇒ 7pm Night Prayer online via parish Facebook page\*

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March

- ⇒ 9am-3pm Cafe @ St Mark's in the church hall

#### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March

- ⇒ 10.00 am St Mark's church garden working party

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

- ⇒ 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark's
- ⇒ 11.00am Morning Praise at All Saints'

Sunday services at St Mark's are streamed to

\*<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsandstmarks>

Service materials can be found on Facebook and on our website: [www.allsaintsandstmarks.com](http://www.allsaintsandstmarks.com)

All Saints' is open every day for private prayer.

St Mark's church is open for private prayer during Friday café hours (9am-3pm)

During the current Vacancy period please use the following means of contact: Tel.: 01270 582585 or

Email: [vicar@allsaintsandstmarks.com](mailto:vicar@allsaintsandstmarks.com)

If you would like to have anything included in the Weekly Link, please send to Sharon by midday on Wednesday

[sharonmspooner@outlook.com](mailto:sharonmspooner@outlook.com)

### Reflection for the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent



#### Bible reading John 19:23-25

The soldiers were used to driving nails into human flesh. But somehow they felt this Jesus was different, he had been stirring up trouble with his stories and healing miracles, even bringing people back from the dead, some said.

They crouched at the foot of the cross and threw their dice, gambling to see which of them would become the owner of this seamless robe they had stripped from this man dying on the cross.

This man who was carrying out the seamless purposes of God, exhausted as he hung there going through the torment of dying. Reaching a point where there were no choices left, except to utter gentle words of forgiveness to those who had ducked and dealt as they became part of God's story.

A seamless purpose: his birth, his life, the slow unfolding of vocation, the awakening of his baptism, the pleading in the garden for another way. And now his dying, part of an unfolding plan in God's heart before the world began. Now planted in his heart, slowly coming towards completion.

The darkness gathers, a sign of a new dawn, a new heaven and a new earth. God's work of redeeming forgiveness planted in our hearts. Those words of forgiveness spoken for us. Father, forgive them, they don't know what they do.

#### Reflect

How does it feel to stand alone?

What does it mean to say the cross reveals the purposes of God?

#### Prayer for 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent

Lord, may your cross light up the darkness of the world; may it lead everyone to you, the way, the truth and the life.

Give the true and living water to all who thirst for you; let it well up to eternal life. Amen

### SAFEGUARDING

The parish of All Saints' Weston and St Mark's Shavington is committed to making our churches welcoming and safe places for all. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you see or hear anything that you feel concerned about, please do not delay. Share your concerns with Shaan Shepherd, our Parish Safeguarding Officer: 07824 696006 or email:

[safeguardingwestonparish@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingwestonparish@gmail.com). Alternatively, contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on:

**01928 718834 (option 4)** between the hours of 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday.

For out-of-hours safeguarding advice, ring our partner organisation Thirtyone:eight on 0303 003 1111.

If there is immediate risk or danger, please contact the police on 999.

**Edward Bear Club**  
NO BOOKING REQUIRED

**MONDAY MORNINGS DURING TERM TIME**  
9AM - 10:30AM

Fun and friendly group for pre-schoolers.  
Breakfast, followed by fun with Edward Bear:

PLAY SONGS PRAYER TIME STORIES CRAFTS

ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALL, WESTON  
CONTACT SARA:  
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ALL SAINTS AND ST MARK'S  
invite you to join us  
for our Parish  
**MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE**  
at All Saints Weston  
11.00am – Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>  
*(No 9.30am service at St Mark's)*

**Easter Flowers at St Mark's**  
Easter Flower Donations in Memory of Loved Ones can be given to Elizabeth Davies-Allman or Sheila McAlpine. There is a sign up sheet will be at the back of St Mark's Church for the congregation to enter their name and that of their loved ones.  
Regards Elizabeth Davies-Allman

**St Mark's diary dates and help needed**  
Saturday March 21st - 10.00 am - church garden working party  
Saturday June 13th - Village Festival stall  
For more information or to volunteer, please see Roger Bracey or Sheila McAlpine.

**Don't discard your old spectacles and used postage stamps!**  
Old spectacles help to support ophthalmic clinics in Africa and used postage stamps help to fund charities at home.  
Just drop them in the collecting boxes in our churches and halls and we will do the rest – thank you!

**Craft AND Chatter**

Share ideas, meet like-minded crafters and get help with current and future projects. Come along for a cuppa and a chat!

1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH @1:30PM

At Saint Mark's Church Hall, Shavington

All crafts and crafters welcome!

Contact Margaret Hodgkinson for more info on 07963435131 or margarethodgkinson6@gmail.com

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