

PLEASE READ ME AND TAKE ME HOME

Notices and dates for your diary

PREPARING FOR EASTER – OBSERVING LENT



LENT LUNCHESES. Wednesdays 12noon to 1.30 pm

Soup and bread lunches will be served in **Deddington** church.

Donations will be for Christian Aid's "Fields of Hope". Please pick up a "Faith's Fields of Hope" pamphlet from the back of the church.

Spend some **quality time** with your **bible**. Everyone is encouraged to choose **one book** of the **Bible** and get to know it better. We suggest something not too long and which you have either never read before or are unfamiliar with. Dwell on how it speaks to you personally and find out other views from commentaries.

If you need a little help, Annie and Paula will be happy to guide you.

We will have a discussion about your findings during **Holy Week**.



Speakers during lent:

This Thursday, 12 March 7pm, Rev'd Stig Graham who is the Warden of Ordained Scientists will speak about 'God in Science'

On Tuesday 31 March 7pm, Dr James Kennard who is our own organist and director of music will talk on 'God in Music'



MOTHERING SUNDAY POSIES - DEDDINGTON CHURCH

In preparation for Mothering Sunday (**22 March**) we will be making posies on **Saturday 21 March from 9.30am**. Please let Judy know if you can help provide **flowers** or **greenery**. Do come along and share in this very pleasurable task.

The Electoral Rolls in our parishes need to be updated prior to the APCMS.

For **Deddington** the current roll is on the porch noticeboard. If your name is not there and you wish to have it added, please fill in an application form from the table at the back of the church and leave it in the large envelope on the table.

For the **Barfords**, please let Tony Elvidge know if you would like your name added to the roll.

APCMS - Barford 19 April, 5pm in St Michael's church.

Deddington 26 April, in the church, after morning service

For church bookings please contact: bookings@deddingtonchurch.org
please send any items for the newsheet by 1200 noon on Wednesdays to
newsheet@deddingtonchurch.org

BENEFICE WORSHIP AND NEWS

St Peter and St Paul, Deddington

St Michael and St John, Barford

St John the Evangelist Hempton

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8 MARCH 2020

In Abraham, the focus of the Old Testament narrows from humanity as a whole to one man with a huge destiny. Paul knew Abraham as the seed of God's goodwill to us, and seized on Abraham's faith and trust in God as the key. It is all that God requires of us. John reminds us that we trust, but first God gives, without stint or reserve, out of sheer love. Can our natural pride accept that God needs only trust, and not our rather threadbare virtue? Remember that being accepted by God is the heart of our great good. *Sunday by Sunday, RSCM*



Coronavirus – We are advised that anyone with a cold, or other infection, should not shake hands during the sharing of the **peace**. We are also advised against the practice of 'intinction' – when the consecrated bread is dipped into the wine - as this could represent an infection transmission route. *Source:*
<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-parishes>

DEDDINGTON CHURCH THIS WEEK 9-14 MARCH

Monday to Friday	0845	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	1000	Holy Communion
	1200-1330	Lent Lunch
Thursday	0930-1030	TEA and TOAST - then
	1030-1200 noon	Squiggles and Wiggles
Thursday	1900-	Talk by Rev'd Stig Graham

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 15 MARCH – 3rd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Hempton	0900	Holy Communion
Barford St Michael	1030	Family Service
Deddington	1030	Holy Communion



Readings: Exodus 17.1-7, **Romans 5.1-11**, John 4.5-42

Vicar: Rev'd Annie Goldthorp - 01869 336880/vicar@deddingtonchurch.org

Curate: Rev'd Paula Smith - 01869 337884/curate@deddingtonchurch.org

For enquiries about weddings or baptisms – please see the vicar after a service

Churchwardens: **Deddington** Iain Gillespie 338367; Meriel Flux 338901

Barfords Tony Elvidge 338214; Sue Addison 338017

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