

# 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.



### 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.



### Tuesday 31 March 7pm 'God in Music'

A talk by Dr James Kennard,  
organist and director of music  
In **Deddington Church**

Let us not be anxious about **Coronavirus**, but take sensible precautions, **handwashing** being the most important. If we have neighbours who are anxious about going out or are otherwise unable to, let us be aware and provide help where can.

**Deddington Church - Volunteers needed** – Iain has been on the PCC since 1998, churchwarden for quite a lot of that time, and treasurer for 13 years. He is beginning to find the combination of these tasks rather burdensome and intends to step down as treasurer after the APCM in April. We urgently need to find a replacement, so please think about taking on this vital role. He is also looking for volunteers to steward events and act as verger at weddings and funerals.

### 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](mailto:bookings@deddingtonchurch.org)  
please send any items for the newsheet by 1200 noon on Wednesdays to  
[newsheet@deddingtonchurch.org](mailto:newsheet@deddingtonchurch.org)

## BENEFICE WORSHIP AND NEWS

St Peter and St Paul, Deddington

St Michael and St John, Barford

St John the Evangelist Hempton

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

15 MARCH 2020

Trusting in God through thick and thin is often an ideal, but faith is the better for being tested. In Romans we note that Paul never ceases to be amazed at God's love for us – creatures who, in sober fact, merit nothing from him at all. John presents teasers under two images and he plays with both. Jesus is the giver of the water that alone can slake our real thirst, and he is the place where God is most truly worshipped, our bond with God. Jesus fulfils all our good and godly hopes, whatever shape we give them. *Sunday by Sunday, RSCM*



**Coronavirus** – we are now following advice to receive communion in one kind only, which is a perfectly acceptable practice. Also, during the peace rather than shaking hands we learn from the **Deaf Church**, using sign language (BSL) for *peace, with, you*.

### DEDDINGTON CHURCH THIS WEEK 16-21 MARCH

Monday to Friday	0845	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	1000	Holy Communion
	1200-1330	Lent Lunch
Thursday	<b>0930-1030</b>	TEA and TOAST - then
	1030-1200 noon	Squiggles and Wriggles

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 22 MARCH

Barford St Michael	0900	Holy Communion
Deddington	1030	Informal Said Communion Service
Hempton	1700	Eat, Pray, Live

**Readings:** 1 Samuel 16.1-13, **Ephesians 5.8-14**, John 9.1-41



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**Curate:** Rev'd Paula Smith - 01869 337884/[curate@deddingtonchurch.org](mailto: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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