# PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018 MOTHERING SUNDAY/4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Thank you for coming to church today, for choosing to worship God. You are most welcome in St. John's Church today. Refreshments are available after the service, please join us.



READINGS

<u>Today</u> Exodus Ch. 2 VV. 1 – 10. Colossians Ch. 3 VV. 12 – 17. Luke Ch. 2 VV. 33 – 35. <u>Next Sunday</u> Jeremiah Ch. 31 VV. 31 – 34. Hebrew Ch. 5 VV. 5 – 10. John Ch. 12 VV. 20 – 23.

Vicar Team Rector Churchwardens Rev. Can. Tony Bundock Rev. David Williams Mrs Pat Rushmere Mr Dick Field 01844 347741 01844 344784 01844 345452 01494 562231

#### COLLECT

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



**PRAYER NOTES** 

- † The sick of this parish and those people known to us who need His grace: Ray Smith, Irene Foord, Ruth Barclay and Mary Mines.
- † Justice, mercy and grace for migrants. Safety for Christians and peoples of all faiths in danger.
- † Resolution for the peoples of the Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Nigeria, and peace in Gaza and Turkey.
- † Peace, healing and mercy for the people of Syria.
- † Our mission and ministry in the community.
- † Thanks for our church community and our shared faith.
- † May communities of all faiths bring understanding that you call for love and peace, never hatred.
- † Thanks for our mothers with us, and wherever and whoever they are.

# WORSHIP IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH

Today	
8:00 am	Said communion using BCP
10:00 am	Sung Communion with (Jupior Church term times, except 1st Sunday of each month for All Age Worship)
Tuesday	
9:30 am	Said communion

### NOTICES

DEANERY CONFIRMATION SERVICE	At St. Marys on Easter Eve 31st March at 6pm. If you would like to explore the possibility of being confirmed, please speak to Tony or Graham.
LENT COURSE 7.45pm on Tuesday evenings (13, 20 & 27 March).	At Old Stocks, Hets Orchard. The course is "On the Third Day" written by Bishop John Pritchard. Course booklets for participants cost £3.60.
LENT LUNCHES Thursday lunchtimes 1pm	15 March (Maplehurst, Loosley Row), and 22 March (Spring Cottage, Kiln Lane).
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> April) Whiteleaf Cross car park at 6.00 am for 6.10 am	We meet with other local churches for a short 'sunrise service' above Whiteleaf Cross. This is followed by a bacon sandwich and hot drink.

### **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place on the 22nd April 2018, following the 10am service on that morning.

We will be needing PCC members and a Churchwarden for the coming year and it would be good to see as many members of the congregation (and particularly those listed on the Electoral Roll) at that meeting. If you are interested in standing for any of the above positions please speak to Rev Tony or to Pat.

