

Thurs 6 Apr As Wield holds their APCM, we give thanks for their new organ which has enhanced the worship hugely. **Jeremiah 23:9-32, John 12:12-19.**

Fri 7 Apr We pray for all our farming community, those who work in the fields, repairing fences, digging ditches, ploughing & sowing, cultivating and weeding, milking cows & caring for the animals: keep them safe from accident & illness: we ask for good weather – not too much rain, sufficient sun to grow the crops.

Jeremiah 24, John 12:20-36.

Sat 8 Apr “live at peace with one another” – help us out this into practice with our neighbours & local community. **Jeremiah 25:1-14, John 12:36-end.**

Sun 9 Apr Palm Sunday Ride on, Ride on in majesty: as Holy Week begins, bless our worship and especially the baptism of Florence Adams at Northington.

Zechariah 9:9-12, Philippians 2:5-11, Matthew 21:1-11.

Mon 10 Apr HOLY WEEK Lord look into my heart: deliver me from my wicked thoughts & intentions; forgive me of my misjudging others, help me to take in the cross & its' effect on my life today. **Lamentations 1:1-12, Luke 22:1-23.**

Tues 11 Apr As the confirmation courses come to an end, grant to all participants the joy of salvation. **Lamentations 3:1-18, Luke 22:24-53.**

Wed 12 Apr Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jeremiah 11:18-20, Luke 22:54-end.

Thurs 13 Apr Maundy Thursday as we meet in at Cliddesden to reflect on the Last Supper, illuminate in us the power of the cross. **Leviticus 16:2-24, Luke 23:1-25.**

Fri 14 Apr Good Friday *At the cross at the cross where I first saw the light & my burden of sin rolled away, it was there by faith I received my sight & now I am happy all the day.* As the southern part of the benefice has its' Good Friday walk, and the north reflects on the Last Hour at Dummer, give us a fresh insight of the power of the cross, and speak through the words of the sacred concert led by Vox Lucis at Northington at 5.00. **Genesis 22:1-18, Hebrews 10:1-10.**

Sat 15 Apr While he lay in the tomb, the world was hushed, the powers of evil thought they'd won. But as the day ended, the countdown began to resurrection.

Psalms 142, Hosea 6:1-6, John 2:18-22.

Sun 16 Apr Easter Day *For this purpose Christ was revealed, to destroy all the works of the evil one. Christ in us has overcome, so with gladness we sing, and welcome His kingdom in. Over sin He has conquered, over death victorious, over sickness he has triumphed, Jesus reigns over all!*

Exodus 14:10-end, 15:20-21; Romans 6:3-11, Matthew 28:1-10.

Prayer and Bible Reading Diary 6 March - Easter April 16 2017

Mon 6 Mar Father in heaven we give thanks for good leadership, prayer and listening to You; Bless Farleigh PCC as we meet and seek Your face in prayer and decision making. **Jeremiah 4:19-end, John 5:1-18**

Tues 7 Mar Lord, You are king & direct our ways: bless Northington PCC as they meet, as well as the ongoing confirmation course. **Jer.5:1-19, John 5:19-29.**

Wed 8 Mar We give thanks for the opportunity to hear from others about their walk with You: bless our first Lent course session with **Dr. Nick Wooding. Jeremiah 5:20-end, John 5:30-end.**

Thurs 9 Mar Lord we pray for all in education: teachers & their assistants, children, school governors, & the government that provides funding. Particularly we pray for Cliddesden & Preston Candover primary schools & David & Stephen's involvement. **Jeremiah 6:9-21, John 6:1-15.**

Fri 10 Mar Father as we journey through Lent help us be more prayerful, waiting for your gracious promptings & assurance. **Jeremiah 6:22-end, John 6:16-27**

Sat 11 Mar As we prepare for worship tomorrow make us all more prayerful: we ask for Your anointing on those who take part – readers, pray-ers, wardens, preachers, worship leaders, musicians, that together we glorify your name. **Jeremiah 7:1-20, John 6:27-40.**

Sun 12 Mar *What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear, what a privilege to carry, everything to God in prayer.*

Genesis 12:1-4, Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3:10-17

Mon 13 Mar We pray for families struggling in financial difficulty or relationship strain, especially remembering those with children with special needs; grant patience, strength & hope. **Jeremiah 7:21-end, John 6:41-51.**

Tues 14 Mar Speak in the Preston Candover PCC that all may hear You encouraging, correcting inspiring. And continue your work in the confirmation courses going on that attendees may grasp the hope & joy of knowing you.

Jeremiah 8:1-15, John 6:52-59.

Wed 15 Mar We give thanks for speakers at the Lent course: tonight, **Stephen Ross**, survivor of the Enniskillen bomb. **Jeremiah 8:18-9:11, John 6:60-end.**

Thurs 16 Mar We pray for Diocesan Synod as they meet today, that transparency & faith may be hallmarks of our discussions. **Jeremiah 9:12-24, John 7:1-13.**

Fri 17 Mar We pray for all parents in our benefice that they may be given grace, patience & joy in bringing their children up in godliness, truth, mercy & faith. **Jeremiah 10:1-16, John 7:14-24.**

Sat 18 Mar We ask Lord your blessing on all who serve in the emergency services – ambulance, NHS, first responders, fire & rescue, police, especially P.C. Reid, that they may all know your strength & presence in their roles of dealing with trauma, sickness, accident, & confronting those involved in evil doing. **Jeremiah 10:17-24, John 7:25-36**

Sun 19 Mar My Jesus, my Saviour, Lord there is none life you, all of my days, I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love. Bless our Messy Church today as we learn Bible stories we all should know. **Ex. 17:1-7, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42**

Mon 20 Mar We pray today for all involved in parish, borough, county councils, & national government that members and officials will always seek the common good, truth, honesty & righteousness. **Jeremiah 10:25-11:17, John 7:36-52.**

Tues 21 Mar As the confirmation courses continue, we ask for all participants to get to know you personally & powerfully during their exploration of Jesus. **Jeremiah 11:18-12:6, John 7:53-8:11.**

Wed 22 Mar We pray for **Fr Craig McMahon**, our speaker tonight at the Lent course, from Investment banker to Augustinian friar working in Cambodia – Stretch our faith & understanding as we meet. **Jeremiah 13:1-11, John 8:12-30.**

Thurs 23 Mar We pray for all couples preparing for marriage in our benefice this year that they may discover something new about themselves, their spouses to be, & as David & Stephen prepare them & take their weddings, Your love & grace will break through into their lives. **Jeremiah 14, John 8:31-47**

Fri 24 Mar We pray for couples having babies or adopting them this year, that your presence will help & guide them to know you & your peace, & to know You. **Jeremiah 15:10-end, John 8:48-end.**

Sat 25 Mar As clocks change tonight help us to remember every second is a gift from you, & that each moment is to be lived for you. **Jeremiah 16, John 9:1-17.**

Sun 26 Mar Mothering Sunday Now thank we all our God with hearts & hands & voices. Bless special services today across the benefice as we celebrate. **1 Samuel 16:1-13, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9.**

Mon 27 Mar As the first of the Annual Church meetings takes place at Northington tonight, help the electors to choose wisely who should serve as wardens & PCC members. **Jeremiah 17:5-18, John 9:18-end.**

Tues 28 Mar We pray or places in our world where conflict continues and people of all ages are suffering as a result of human sin; we pray for new hope, reconciliation, repentance & remorse, that places & people may come to realise they must make peace. **Jeremiah 18:1-12, John 10:1-10.**

Wed 29 Mar We ask for your blessing tonight on Lent course 4, with speaker Trevor Roff, representing Open Doors ministry, which supports the persecuted church across the world. **Jeremiah 18:13-end, John 10:11-21.**

Thurs 30 Mar Thank you Lord for this new day in which you will guide & direct my steps. Make me aware of your voice & your directions. **Jeremiah 19:1-13, John 10:22-end.**

Fri 31 Mar We pray for all who serve you in our church fellowships, doing practical ministries: bless those who clean, arrange flowers, read lessons, lead prayers, plan rotas, sort buildings issues out, & who serve You with joyful hearts. **Jeremiah 19:14-20:6, John 11:1-16.**

Sat 1 Apr We give thanks for the gift of music given to so many; bless the Vox Lucis concert today at Northington, & all those who sing in choirs to enhance our worship. **Jeremiah 20:7-end, John 11:17-27.**

Sun 2 Apr Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land. On this **Passion Sunday** help us to understand the cross with new depth & power. **Ezekiel 37:1-14, Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45**

Mon 3 Apr As Bradley have their APCM, we give thanks for the funds provided for their new roof, & for the life of Christ within. **Jeremiah 21:1-10, John 11:28-44.**

Tues 4 Apr We pray for all those involved in telling the good news in our nation & further afield; we remember evangelists, teachers, agriculturalists, medics & all who work for bringing Christ to the whole world: Help us to ensure we ourselves have saving faith in Jesus Christ, so we can share it with others. **Jeremiah 22:1-5, 13-19, John 11:45-end.**

Wed 5 Apr Bless our final Lent course evening with the Bishop of Basingstoke, the Right Reverend David Williams. **Jeremiah 22:20-23:8, John 12:1-11.**