

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell  
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

25<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

### THIS WEEK

*Collect: Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen*

**Readings:** Gen.17.1-7,15,16;Ps.22:23-31;Mark 8.31-38

**Hymns:** MP 37 As the deer pants for the water

MP 5 Above the voices of the world around me

MP 988 How deep the Father's love for me

MP 201 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

*We hope to be able to live stream the 10am service on Facebook.*

*If so, a recording will be available to watch after end of service.*

4.00pm Messy Church at St Mary's

*Family event for all ages*

### RADIO

8.30am Cross Talk on Burwell Community Radio

(repeated at 4.30pm & 7.00pm on Monday)

<http://burwell.radio/>

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 7.30pm Bellingring practice this week

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

Thurs 9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

Fri 10.00am Refresh Café and lunch

Sat 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers

### SUNDAY WORSHIP 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

8.30am Holy Communion at Reach

10.00am Café Church with Baptism at St. Mary's

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- God of wilderness and water, your Son was baptised and tempted as we are. Guide us through this season of Lent, not so that we may avoid struggle, but so that we may open ourselves to blessing. When we go through wildernesses, may we know your presence with us, and when we face temptations may your power protect us. Fill our hearts with joy of the good news you bring us.

- We pray for the innocent victims of war. May there be an end to hostilities between Israel and the Palestinians, we pray for all those who have lost loved ones, for those abducted and still missing and their families, for those injured, for those affected by the bombings and loss of homes. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for peace and the laying down of weapons.

- We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for just and peaceful solutions to be reached.

- For the work of organisations, including Christian Aid, helping families around the world to overcome poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest, and there is high risk of famine including: Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan.

- For the first time, global warming has exceeded 1.5C across an entire year, according to the EU's climate service. We pray world leaders will continue to try to limit the long-term temperature increase which is crucial to help avoid the most damaging impacts of climate change. May they be guided by wisdom, vision & courage to work together, that justice and peace might flow like a mighty river. For urgent actions to be taken.

- We pray for all those who are struggling in today's difficult economic situation. May adequate immediate provision be made available, and support to find longer term solutions, so that everyone has their basic needs met for food, shelter, employment and security. For the Pop-up Pantry, at Burwell Day Centre Fridays at 2pm.

- We pray for our leaders as the Diocese continues the process of choosing a new Bishop of Ely, we pray that the right person will emerge to carry forward the work of Ely 2025 and beyond. Bless Bishop Dagmar as she supervises the diocese until a new Bishop is installed, and all those who serve the church under her leadership; priests, deacons, lay ministers and churchwardens.

- We pray for this church, for Eleanor, Paula, Virginia, Jo and all in leadership positions, the churchwardens and the PCC. We give thanks for all that so many contribute, and pray for others to come forward, when some need to step back.

- For all preparing for General Synod, beginning on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, with the ongoing difficult discussions about the Living in love and faith process. For generosity, grace and a spirit of reconciliation.

- For those living in:- Bayfield Drive, Bewicks Mead, Burghley Rise, Felsham Chase, Holkham Mead, Kentwell Place, Melford Close, Old School Close (Burwell), Great Lane (Reach).

- For those in special need: Danny, Sarah, Jackie, Neil, Don, Sonya (Anna Hopper's sister), Carol, Janice, John H, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Sharon, Kate, Jenny, John D, Andrew (Sue Reynolds' nephew), Joan, Joanne, Ian, Jim, Pauline, Pam C.

- For His Majesty, King Charles, as he undergoes treatment for cancer, for comfort, peace and confidence in God's faithfulness.

- For the bereaved including the families and friends of John Rose, Janet Conti and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

### FOR YOUR ATTENTION:

\* Quiet Morning March 16<sup>th</sup> 11.00am - 1.00pm, drinks from 10.30am at St Etheldreda's, Reach An opportunity to take some time out during this season of Lent with reflections, prayer and times of silence. Contact Virginia for more details and to reserve a place

\* The Flower Ministry will be placing an arrangement of **Lilies at the Altar** at Easter in memory of loved ones who have died. Add names to the list at the back of Church along with £2 per name to be remembered.

### PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer. Revd Canon Dr Eleanor Williams 741262 vicar@stmarysburwell.org.uk Revd Paula Spalding (Associate Priest): 07849 936085 associatepriest@stmarysburwell.org.uk Revd Virginia Moggridge (Curate) 07566 773020 curate@stmarysburwell.org.uk