

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

10th March 2024 – Mothering Sunday
4th Sunday of Lent

THIS WEEK

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.

Readings: 8.30am Numbers 21:4-9, John 3:14-21
10.00am Luke 8:11-15, 1 Corinthians 12:1-7,

Hymns: For those who gave us life and breath
(Words by Ally Barrett, tune O Waly, Waly)

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Lord of all hopefulness,
Lord for the years

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.00am All Age Service (Mothering Sunday/Lent 4)
Sorry we are unable to livestream this morning's service

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
12.30pm Wedding of Tanya and Shane
Sat 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers
11.00am Quiet Morning at Reach

SUNDAY WORSHIP 17th March 2024

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- for Tanya & Shane getting married at St. Mary's next Friday; for God's blessing in all that they share together.
- a prayer for Mothering Sunday: Loving God, thank you for mums and children and for all the joys of family life. Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother; be close to those who are struggling because they have no children; be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love. Let your love be present in every home and help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of others.
- 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.

- As global warming increases, 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.

- 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.

- For those living in:- Casburn Lane, Dalzells Lane, Guyatt Court, Laburnum Lane, Murton Close, Newnham Lane, Pantile Lane, The Causeway, Hythe Close, Hythe Lane, Weirs Drove (Burwell), Blackberry Drove (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., Jessica, Judith.

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

- For the bereaved and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION:

* On **Mothering Sunday** (10th March) and the following Sunday (17th) a plate will be at the back of the church to collect cash donations towards the work of the Mothers' Union throughout the world.

* **Quiet Morning** March 16th 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

* **Churches Together, Songs of Praise**, Ness Court Sunday 24th March, 4 pm followed by tea. All welcome, offers of help to Sue Evans please 07799 360858

* **Electoral Roll Revision**. If you are not already on the Roll and wish your name to be added, please speak to me after the service or contact me on 07765 979155 for an application form which must be completed and returned by 11th March. Please note that this is a revision only of the existing roll. Avril Plume

* 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.

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