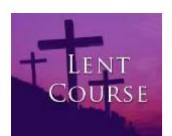
## DIARY DATES

Event	Date and time	Venue
Church Mice Praise and Play for Babies	Wednesdays, 2:00 pm	St. John's Church
and Pre-schooler and their Families.	(Excluding School	St. John S Charch
Contact Jenny Stothard / Sarah Cann	Holidays)	Asse
(kindergymjenny@gmail.com)		5
Pancakes and Coffee. Pancakes will be	Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	St. John's Church
served in Church to mark the start of	(~ 11:15 am, after the	
Lent. CORRECTION OF DATE	10:00 am service)	
Lacey Green Village Pancake Races.	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	St. John's School
Village organisations invited to enter	February (1:30 pm)	Rear Playground,
teams of up to 6. Further details from		Lacey Green
Margaret Gray.		·
Quiz Night. An evening of fun for all.	Friday 28th February	St. John's School
Includes a Fish & Chips Supper. £12.00	(7:00 for 7:30 pm)	Hall
per head.		
Walking the Pilgrim's Way –	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	St. May's Church
Winchester to Canterbury. Open	February	Princes
Information Evening. Led by the Team	(7:30 to 9:00 pm)	Risborough
Rector, Rev. David Williams. Further		
details of the Walk (May / June 2020)		
from Canon Tony / Poster.		
Ash Wednesday Service. Solemn	Wed. 26 <sup>th</sup> February	St. John's Church
Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes	(7:30 pm)	
All Age Worship. Family orientated	Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> March	St. John's Church
Eucharist with Laying-on of Hands.	(10:00 am)	
Mercy Ships Talk. A free talk about	4 <sup>th</sup> March	Princes
the work of Mercy Ships including a 10-	(4:00 pm)	Risborough
minute DVD and free tea or coffee		Library
afterwards. All welcome.		



The Risborough Team and Churches Together in Risborough will be following the same Lent Course for 2020. St. John's Lacey Green's Lent Group will be hosted by Ken & June Brazier at Maplehurst, Loosley Row on Thursday (mostly) **evenings** on 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April **(7:00 pm)**. The sessions on 19<sup>th</sup> March will be held at another venue.

Please sign up by 16<sup>th</sup> February (list at the back of the Church) so that a Course book can be ordered for you (cost £6.99). Details of the other Risborough ecumenical Lent Groups at various venues, day-time and evening, are available – see the poster in Church.

# PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

## WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP

# SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 Sunday Next before Lent

You are warmly welcomed to St. John's Church in Lacey Green, particularly if you are new to our congregation or are a visitor. St. John's is a member Church of the Risborough Team Ministry, serving the parish of Lacey Green, Loosely Row and Speen. We aim to be a family church, welcoming to people of all ages and backgrounds and we actively support our two Parish Schools.

St. John's Church dates from 1825 and was originally a "Chapel of Ease" attached to the Parish of Princes Risborough. The chancel and sanctuary at the East end date from 1851, when the chapel was converted into a parish church. Our Samuel Green dates from 1792 and is older than the church building. It was originally a parlour organ in a large country house before being brought to St. John's and modified in stages between around 1860 and 1920. It is located in the former Vicar's Vestry, off the chancel.

Our Team Vicar for St. John's is the Reverend Canon Tony Bundock. His previous incumbencies were in Team Ministries in the St. Albans and Leeds dioceses.

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## Worship in St John's Church

## Weekly Services:

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8:00 am Said Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

10:00 am Parish Communion (with *Junior Church* term times.

except 1st Sunday of each month for All Age Worship)

**TUESDAY** 

9:30 am Said Communion (Common Worship)

VicarRev. Canon Tony Bundock01844 347741Team RectorRev. David Williams01844 346984ChurchwardensMrs Pat Rushmere01844 345452Mrs Margaret Gray01844 347094

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#### **COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Exodus Ch. 24 VV. 12 – 18 2 Peter Ch. 1 VV. 16 – 21

Matthew Ch. 5 VV. 38 - 48



#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

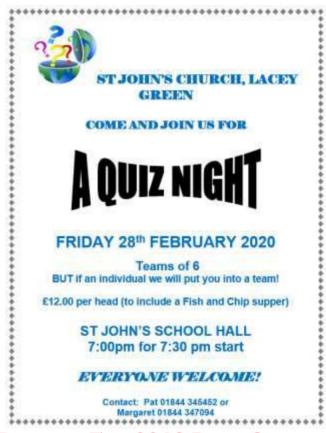
Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, *Amen*.

#### **PRAYER NOTES**

- For those in the parish and further afield who are sick or in need that they receive peace and healing, including: Irene Foord, Ruth Barclay, Mary Mines, Helena Oecken, Ian Wilson, Ron Goodearl, Phillipa King and Barnaby Woods.
- For the recently departed, may their souls rest in peace. Also, we pray for their families at this difficult time.
- For Peace and Resolution for the peoples of those countries where there is conflict or tension including countries in the Middle East, Ukraine, Nigeria, Venezuela, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong and Turkey.
- For Comfort and mercy for the peoples of those countries, where there have been natural disasters, and for the aid agencies bringing relief. Currently we particularly pray for Jakarta in Indonesia, New South Wales, Australia, Turkey, Zambia and the parts of the UK affected by the recent strong winds and flooding.

- For our new Government and Parliament at this time of uncertainty, that that MP's of all parties will come together in the National Interest.
- For migrants that they may receive justice and mercy.
- Safety for Christians and peoples of all faiths in danger that there may be a spirit of peace and understanding.
- For our mission and ministry in this community.
- For our Linked Parish of St. Mary's Kuruman.
- Thanks for our church community and our shared faith
- Thanks for all who help, in any way, in our Church.
- For our successful fundraising events this year.



## **REQUEST FOR 2019 PALM CROSSES**

We are looking for people to return some palm crosses from last year's Palm Sunday service, please, for burning to produce ash for this year's Ash Wednesday service. Please give any palm crosses you wish to donate to Margaret Gray. Thank you.