



St Mary  
Magdalen  
OXFORD

# **Parish Notes**

## **April 2017**

## **Services**

### **Sundays**

Eucharist at 8 am and 5.30 pm, Mattins  
10 am High Mass at 10.30 am

### **Weekdays**

Eucharist at 12.15 pm and 6.00 pm  
Morning Prayer 8.15 am, Evening Prayer  
5.40 pm

### **Confessions**

Daily after the 12.15 pm Mass,  
Wednesdays & Saturdays at 6.30 pm  
Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage by  
appointment with the Parish Priest

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## **Events**

### **Annual Parochial Meeting**

**2<sup>nd</sup> April**

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting takes place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. At this meeting, we shall elect our churchwardens for the coming year. We shall also elect several representatives to the Parochial Church Council, and to the Deanery Synod. The parish's accounts for 2016 will be presented by the Treasurer, and reports on various bodies and activities will be provided, along with the Vicar's annual report to the parish.

### **Stations of the Cross**

**5<sup>th</sup> April**

Churches Together in Central Oxford have organised an ecumenical service of Stations of the Cross, which will take place in Blackfriars Priory (within our own parish) at 7.30pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Refreshments will follow the service. There will be no celebration of Stations at St Mary Magdalen's that day, and we hope that everyone who has been keeping this discipline during Lent will want to come and support what is perhaps the most important ecumenical event in the Oxford year.

### **Scripture on Saturday**

**8<sup>th</sup> April**

Our monthly Bible study mornings continue this month on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, from 10.30am in church. We shall be looking at the passion narrative in Luke's gospel, starting at the beginning of Luke 23. All are welcome, no previous experience or participation required.

### **Palm Sunday**

**9<sup>th</sup> April**

As usual, we begin our High Mass on Palm Sunday in Trinity College Chapel, at 10.15am, processing to St Mary Magdalen's to begin around 10.30am. Full details of Holy Week services follow.

## **Holy Week Services**

### **Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion**

10.15 Blessing of Palms in Trinity College Chapel followed by procession to St Mary Magdalen's.

10.30 approx. High Mass with the singing of the Passion according to Matthew

**Holy Monday** Mass at 12.15pm and 6pm: address at 6pm

**Holy Tuesday** Mass at 12.15pm and 6pm: address at 6pm

### **Holy Wednesday**

Mass at 12.15pm and 5.30pm (nb start time)

Tenebrae 7:30pm

## **The Easter Triduum**

### **Maundy Thursday**

7.30 High Mass of the Lord's Supper with the Washing of Feet and Procession to the Altar of Repose, followed by the Stripping of the Altars and a Watch before the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

### **Good Friday**

12 noon Three Hours Devotion led by the clergy: "The Beatitudes and the Passion of Christ"

3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

### **Holy Saturday**

8.00pm The Easter Vigil

### **Easter Sunday**

Mass 8am, 5.30pm.

High Mass with Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows 10.30

## **Notices**

### **Confessions in Holy Week**

Monday	12.45pm Fr Jonathan	5.15pm Mthr Judith
Tuesday	11.30am Fr Jonathan	5pm Fr Peter
Wednesday	12.45pm Fr Barry	5pm Fr Peter
Thursday	5pm Fr Peter	

Other times are available by appointment, with any of our clergy team.

### **Chrism Mass**

On Maundy Thursday, the Cathedral will host the Eucharist with the Blessing of Oils and renewal of ministerial commitment. The service begins at 11am and all are most welcome to attend.

### **Children's church**

On Maundy Thursday, members of children's church will gather at St Michael's at 3pm for footwashing, before moving to St Mary Magdalen's to help decorate the Altar of Repose.

### **Easter Lilies**

Would those who would like to buy an Easter lily in memory of a loved one (cost £4) please contact Beatrice Groves or Anne Dalziel. These will form part of the floral arrangement for both the altar of repose and Easter day.

### **Church cleaning and preparation**

We shall gather in church from 9.30am on the morning of Holy Saturday (April 15<sup>th</sup>) to clean, and polish silver, and prepare the building for our Easter celebrations.

## **Oxford Lent Concerts**

There's still time to plan to come to this year's two Oxford Lent Concerts on Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday of Holy Week) in the Chapel of The Queen's College. Doors open at 6 pm for a 6:15 start with the concert/exhibitions ending at 7 pm, so both your arrival and departure will be in daylight. The concerts are FREE and among the singers whom you will hear are voices well known to us: Nancy-Jane Rucker, Sarah Coatsworth, Matthew Thomson, Joe Mason, and Benjamin Thompson. The artists whose contemporary icons will be exhibited during the concerts will be familiar to many as well: Nicholas Mynheer and Roger Wagner and Alison Berrett and Tim Steward. Both their icons and the music (settings of the *Stabat Mater* by Vivaldi and Steffani, two instrumental pieces Vivaldi wrote for the Easter vigil, two rarely heard Lamentations by 17<sup>th</sup> century Portuguese composers, and settings of the *Agnus Dei* by Taverner and Tye) will draw our minds both to the suffering of the Christ child and his parents fleeing violence at home to exile abroad, and his suffering as Man of Sorrows, outcast, prisoner and scapegoat in the Passion. Any donations received through the *voluntary* retiring collection at these concerts will go to charities committed to serving those vulnerable and at risk in our own world: The Gatehouse, Oxford, Christian Aid, and Médecins sans Frontières. For disabled access ring Queen's Lodge on OX 279120. Full programme details on [www.op59.net/lent.html](http://www.op59.net/lent.html).

## **Fr Phillip's trek**

Fr Phillip Nixon is going on a sponsored trek/climb in May 2017 to Machu Picchu, Peru. The trek goes up to 4200 metres and there are three nights in tents at temperatures below zero. It will be a challenging trek so he is asking people to sponsor the attempt rather than the completion of the climb.

If you would like to encourage Fr. Phillip by sponsoring his chosen charity, then this is Christian Aid. He will pay all the travel and administrative costs himself, so every penny that people pay in sponsorship will go to the relief of poverty. If you would like to sponsor this project, you can go to [www.justgiving.com](http://www.justgiving.com) and type in Phillip Nixon, and donate, or, send a cheque to him at 32 Cedar Road OX2 9EB

## **The Gatehouse**

Volunteers are needed to make sandwiches for the Gatehouse, a responsibility which we at St Mary Magdalen's take on every couple of months. It's an easy way of serving Oxford's homeless community, whose need is greater than ever.

## **Oxchurch-info**

Oxchurch-info is a twice monthly newsletter which aims to publicise as many different church events and activities in Oxford as possible. Copies are available by the north door in church. If you would like to join the electronic mailing list, speak to Joyce Day.

## **Intercessions**

*Please pray for the long term sick and those in special need, among them:*

Holly Ryan, Wendy Webb, Ann-Marie, Abigail, Melanie, Dan, Angela, Anna and Phoenix, Philip, Chris, Lewis, Julie, Michael, Sue Goodall, Alex Underwood, Richard Gurney, Brian, Jonathan, John Duffield, Allan Moore, Ian Morris, Alan Springett, Jane Thomas, Bennet Saunders, William Pope, Chloe Ogden, Colin Brown, Sybilla Pfeiffer, Liam Bradshaw, Di Taylor, Tracy O'Sullivan, Abigail Bruins, Pauline Chadwick, William Missin, Jane Thomas, Tony Washington-Jarvis, David Games, Charlotte Jacob-Maguire

## **Sunday readings**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Ezekiel 37.12-14; Romans 8.8-11; John 11.1-45

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April: Isaiah 50.4-7; Philippians 2.6-11; Matthew 26.14-27.66

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April: Acts 10.34, 37-43; Colossian 3.1-4; John 20.1-9

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April: Acts 2.42-47; 1 Peter 1.3-9; John 20.19-31

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April: Acts 2.14, 22-28; 1 Peter 1.17-21; Luke 24.13-35

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<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
						<b>1 Feria (Lent)</b>
						Steven, our bishop
<b>2 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>3 Feria (Lent)</b>	<b>4 Feria (Lent)</b>	<b>5 Feria (Lent)</b>	<b>6 Feria (Lent)</b>	<b>7 Feria (Lent)</b>	<b>8 Feria (Lent)</b>
Parish community	Justin our Archbishop	World peace	Vocations	Oxford City Council	Monthly requiem	Christian Aid
<b>9 Palm Sunday</b>	<b>10 Holy Week</b>	<b>11 Holy Week</b>	<b>12 Holy Week</b>	<b>13 Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>14 Good Friday</b>	<b>15 Holy Saturday</b>
Parish community	Bishops	Sacristans and servers	Preachers	Vigilance	Penitence	Hope
<b>16 Easter Day</b>	<b>17 Easter Octave</b>	<b>18 Easter Octave</b>	<b>19 Easter Octave</b>	<b>20 Easter Octave</b>	<b>21 Easter Octave</b>	<b>22 Easter Octave</b>
Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection
<b>23 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>24 George, M</b>	<b>25 Mark, Ev</b>	<b>26 Feria Anointing at 6pm</b>	<b>27 Feria Anointing at 12.15</b>	<b>28 Feria</b>	<b>29 Catherine of Siena, V</b>
Parish Community	Our country	Biblical scholars	Healing Ministry	Oxford's hospitals	The Gatehouse	Europe
<b>30 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>						
Parish Community						