# Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough





# Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April -Palm Sunday

# Today's Services

9.00 am Holy Communion (CW) and distribution of Palms at St Bartholomew,

Wanborough

10.30 am Holy Communion (CW) and Palm Procession at St John the Baptist,

Puttenham

10.30 am Morning Prayer and Palm Procession at St Laurence, Seale

**6.00 pm** Virtual Evening Prayer, by Zoom

For all zoom services please use this link: Church Services, then enter

Passcode: 2022

Or by phone - dial one of the following: 0203 901 7895; 0208 080 6591

Meeting ID: 81259506242 - then enter Passcode 2022, followed by # when

asked (you may need to repeat the last step)

Download Order of Service here: Virtual Evening Prayer

# **Today's Readings**

Morning: HC: Mark 11.1-10; Philippians 2.5-11; Passion Gospel

MP: Mark 11.1-10; Philippians 2.5-11; Passion Gospel

**Evening:** EP: Isaiah 5.1-7; Luke 20.9-19

### Prayer for this week

Almighty and everlasting God,

who in your tender love towards the human race

sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

to take upon him our flesh

and to suffer death upon the cross:

grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,

and also be made partakers of his resurrection;

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.

#### FROM THE RECTORY DESK

Dear Friends,

The poem by Emily Bronte presents a strong witness to key Christian doctrines, not least the Resurrection and the hope of eternity. Our next poem by Edmund Spenser who wrote one of the longest poems in the English language



called "The Faerie Queene". "Easter" is really a sonnet different to the style of Shakespeare or Petrach and is 68 in a sequence of sonnets. The version for our Lenten study was set to music by John Rutter. A masterpiece of traditional English writing in the Tudor style, you will enjoy the message in the run up to Easter.

Holy Week Blessings,

#### Rector



#### **SEALE CHURCH CLOCK UPDATE**

We are delighted to confirm that we can now proceed with the repair to the Seale Church Tower Clock. The only snag is the Cumbria Clock Company have been inundated with a backlog of repairs caused by the lockdown. They have given us a repair date of August, but we are chasing to significantly improve that date.

### **EASTER FLOWERS IN PUTTENHAM CHURCH**

A reminder that there is still time to make a donation in memory of loved ones towards the cost of lilies and other flowers that will be arranged on Saturday in Puttenham church. The names of those remembered will be recorded in the usual book - "Molly's book" - which will be displayed in the church.



If you would like to contribute in this way, please put your donation in an envelope, together with the name(s) you would like to be included, and deliver it to Rhona Conn at 110, The Street (tel 01483 810063) by tomorrow, Monday 11 April.

Thank you for your help.



### In our Prayers:

The people of the Ukraine and all those caught up in war, and for relief agencies especially: <u>DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal</u> and <u>USPG & Diocese in Europe Emergency Appeal</u>

A Prayer for Ukraine God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



Please come and join us to decorate Seale Church for Easter Day. on Saturday, 16th. April 10 a.m -12noon

Greenery and flowers would be appreciated. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Look forward to seeing you!

### **EASTER**

MOST glorious Lord of Lyfe! that, on this day, Didst make Thy <u>triumph</u> over <u>death</u> and sin; And, <u>having</u> harrowd hell, <u>didst</u> bring away Captivity <u>thence</u> captive, us to win: This <u>joyous</u> day, <u>deare</u> Lord, with joy begin; And <u>grant</u> that we, for whom thou <u>diddest</u> dye, Being with Thy <u>deare</u> blood <u>clene</u> washt from sin, May live for ever in felicity!

And that Thy love we <u>weighing</u> worthily,
May <u>likewise</u> love Thee for the same againe;
And for Thy sake, that all lyke <u>deare</u> didst buy,
With love may one <u>another</u> entertayne!
So let us love, <u>deare</u> Love, lyke as we ought,
--Love is the <u>lesson</u> which the Lord us taught.

Edmund Spenser (1552-99)



The government have lifted all covid restrictions in England though infection rates are still high and very high in the Waverley area. We would advise a common-sense approach to keep each other safe in our congregations. It may help if:

- We continue to use the sanitising gel
- We wear a mask if it feels safer to do so
- We sit at a sensible distance from others especially at larger gatherings

# **DIARY FOR THE WEEK**

Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30 pm	Choir Practice at Puttenham
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> April	12 noon	A service of thanksgiving for the life of Thelma
		Mears at St John the Baptist, Puttenham.
	2.00 – 4.30 pm	Tower Café at Puttenham (and every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed in month)
	6.00 pm	Lent Studies by Zoom: "Finding God in Lenten
		Poems"
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup> April	6.00 pm	Holy Communion & stripping the altar at St John
		the Baptist, Puttenham (followed by Watch of the
		Passion" till 8 pm)
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00 am	"Stations of the Cross" commencing at The Barley
		Mow, The Sands (ending with hot cross buns in church)
	2.00 pm	"The Seven Last Words of Jesus" devotional service
		at St Laurence, Seale

Services next Sunday – 17 <sup>th</sup> April Easter Day			
6.00 am	Dawn Service at Frowsbury Hill, Puttenham		
9.00 am	Holy Communion at St Bartholomew, Wanborough		
9.00 am	Holy Communion at The Good Shepherd, The Sands		
10.30 am	Holy Communion & Egg Hunt at St John the Baptist, Pu	uttenham	
10.30 am	Holy Communion & Egg Hunt at St Laurence, Seale		
6.00 pm	Holy Communion, by Zoom		

## **FUTURE DATES**

Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> April	7.00 pm	Choir Practice at Puttenham
Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30 pm	Choir Practice at Puttenham



Please contact the Rector if you are unable to attend church and would like communion at home.



#### HOW TO GIVE GENEROUSLY TO YOUR CHURCH

- 1. Send your gift electronically to the Seale, Puttenham and Wanborough bank account, which is at Lloyds Bank, Farnham, sort code 30 93 20, account number 02210758, account name SPWPCC (it would be immensely helpful if you could add your name as a reference).
- 2. Send the money by post to Michael Thorpe, Treasurer, Delamere House, Greenacres, Runfold, GU10 1QH
- 3. Set up a monthly standing order to the above bank account. Michael will supply you with a Gift Aid form for any payments which you are kind enough to make.

#### **PARISH GIVING SCHEME**

If you would like to change your regular Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) giving please write to: Parish Giving Scheme, 76 Kingsholm Road, Gloucester GL1 3BD or email to info@parishgiving.org.uk Or phone 0333 002 1260. It helps if the PGS reference number, which can be found below your address on PGS correspondence, is quoted. If you would like to start your regular Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), or have any questions about it, please contact Mike Cloughley, our PGS coordinator: Telephone number: 01252 782304 Email: cloughley@btinternet.com

UNDER GDPR rules we need permission to name verbally or in print anyone who is ill and needs our prayers, so please let us know if we can pray for you.



Please contact any member of the ministry team if you are anxious, lonely or would like a spiritual or social chat.

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