

THE BENEFICE OF MINCHINHAMPTON WITH BOX AND AMBERLEY

Accept and share the generosity of God's love.

PALM SUNDAY

14th April 2019

A warm welcome to this service, especially if you are here for the first time. All are welcome to receive bread and wine at the altar. If you require a gluten free wafer, please indicate this at the altar rail. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please carry the service booklet with you when you go up to the altar.

Readings for Today

First Reading: Isaiah 50. 4 – 9a

Second Reading: Philippians 2. 5 - 11 Gospel: Luke 23. 1 - 49

SERVICES AT OUR CHURCHES TODAY

HOLY TRINITY, MINCHINHAMPTON

There is a loop system for those with hearing aids.

- 8am Eucharist
President: Revd Canon Howard Gilbert
Dramatic Reading of the Passion
- 9.45am Procession with Palm Crosses from the Market Square
Followed by Parish Eucharist in Church
President: Revd Canon Howard Gilbert
Dramatic Reading of the Passion
- Hymns: 123, 118, 100, 432
- 5.30pm Said Evening Prayer Office: Revd Canon Howard Gilbert

ST BARNABAS, BOX

- 9am Eucharist
President & Preacher: Revd Canon Mike Tucker
- Hymns: 123, 129, 127, 109

HOLY TRINITY, AMBERLEY

- 8am Said Communion President & Preacher: Revd John Spiers
- 10am Non Eucharist
Second Sunday Team
- Wed 17th 8am Said Communion Revd John Spiers

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NOTICES – Holy Trinity Minchinhampton and Box

QUIET REFLECTION - at the beginning of the 10am Sunday Service there will be 5 minutes of quiet reflection. Can people please refrain from talking during this period.

RAFFLE FOR THE HOGGET will take place after the Palm Service today.

ELECTORAL ROLL - The new Electoral Roll has now been prepared and is on display on the noticeboard in both Minchinhampton and Box.

Please check that your name is on the Roll. Any queries, please see Jackie Natt.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS are now available at the back of the Church.

READY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE WIDER LIFE OF THE CHURCH? - We need to elect a new lay representative to Stroud Deanery Synod at the APCM as Linda Jarvis is standing down from the role. The Deanery Synod is part of the way the C of E gives a voice to all parts of the church on the church's ministry and mission and key current issues. It sits between the parishes with their Parochial Church Councils (PCCs) and the full diocese, with its Diocesan Synod. The lay members are elected to serve for three years, but this vacancy is for the remainder of the 2017-20 period. Lay members elect the Diocese's lay representatives on General Synod. The Synod meets three times a year, with agendas including: visiting speakers, sharing new developments and good practice, reports from Diocesan and General Synods, financial matters including Parish Share, the Deanery's action plan. If you are interested and would like to know more please speak to Linda herself, Margaret Sheather, Julian Elloway or Jamie Dalrymple-Hamilton. Deanery website <http://www.stroud-deanery.org.uk>.

NEW WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES - Minchinhampton and Box Weekday Services are not well attended and are at times that are increasingly difficult for clergy to lead them. We are trialling new week-day Eucharist times in Minchinhampton and Box. It is the confident hope of our clergy that more of our congregation will take advantage of this offering! New service times will be: **Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - 9.30am in Minchinhampton. Wednesday - 9am in Box, 11am in Minchinhampton. Saturday - 8.30am in Minchinhampton.**

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CHURCH - Volunteers Needed! Your church needs you – no volunteer too young, and no volunteer too old! We are just starting to plan for attracting young people into church, and we need volunteers to help plan for and to run the following activities: **Sunday School, Sunday Morning Story-Time for pre-schoolers, Children's Choir and Children's Club, All Age Worship Planning, Youth Group and Parish/Benefice Camping Trip.** Please do volunteer by either signing-up in church, or contact Christine in the Benefice Office.

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP (BRF) NOTES - the May to August notes have arrived and are in the pigeon holes with details of the next year's payment which is now due. If you are interested in receiving BRF notes to support your bible reading I have sample copies of the different booklets that are available. There are three issues a year of daily readings with commentaries from leading experts. Mandy Jutsum 882477

COACH TRIPS – 26 APR Highgrove Spring Walk £32.50, May 21 National Trust Baddesley Clinton (Warks) £19/£30 & 18 JUN – Wilton House and gardens, Salisbury £29 Tel Ian: 833131 www.abbeyhall.info

LILIES FOR LOVED ONES Minchinhampton and Box. This Easter we will again have a display of lilies in remembrance of someone special. Those wishing for their loved ones to be remembered in this way should give the name of that person to Virginia Lloyd (873404) or Grace Dewhurst (883029), together with any appropriate donation (cash or cheque). Cheques should be made payable to Minchinhampton Church Flower Guild. Kathy Hurst (882960).

Box – please contact Chris French (883223) donations (cash or cheque). Cheques made payable to St. Barnabas Church, Box.

THEATRE – Our next trip will be to the Cotswold Playhouse in June, for ‘Dial M for Murder’ – an ingenious thriller which was memorably filmed by Hitchcock. Please look out for the details on the notice board. Anne Brookes (886210).

NOTICES – Holy Trinity Amberley

PALM SUNDAY LENT LUNCH - This will take place in the Parish Room TODAY Sunday 14th April from 12 noon, and will comprise soups followed by bread, cheese and pickles. Soft drinks will be served. The suggested donation is £5 per head (parents decide for children) and proceeds of the lunch will be sent to Akany Avoko in Madagascar. We do hope you will be able to join us. The Social Committee

FAIR TRADE STALL – Will be held every Third Sunday after the 10am Service by Derek.

BAPTISMS - As part of our welcome to baptism families, infants who are baptised will be given a small knitted teddy bear. The family will then be invited to bring their teddy bears back for a picnic the following year. If you would like to knit teddy bears for this, please contact Revd John Spiers who has the pattern.

HOME COMMUNION - If anyone in the village would like home communion, reserved sacrament is available. Revd John Spiers, Simon Barker and John Gilbert together with other chalice assistants are available to provide this.

MARAH needs – coffee (any instant sort) sugar, long life milk, toiletries - shower gel, shampoo, spray deodorant (not toothpaste or brushes) men's socks and underpants but these need to be new (any size, briefs or boxers or trunks). Box at rear of church.

LENT COURSES – New Room, below the Littleworth Hall. Evening Session starts at 7.30pm - Monday 15. Please contact Revd John Spiers for more details.

HOLY WEEK – Compline will be led by Simon Barker on Mon 15th, Tues 16th and Wed 17th at 6pm.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 21ST APRIL 2019 EASTER SUNDAY

Isaiah 65. 17 – end Acts 10. 34 - 43 John 20. 1 - 18

THIS WEEK at Holy Trinity Minchinhampton

9.30am Eucharist (Tues, Thurs, Fri, 8.30am on Sat) in the Parish Church.

5.30pm Evening Prayer daily (Mon - Sat, 4.30pm on Fri)

15TH MON	7.30pm	Reflective Eucharist – Parish Church
16TH TUES	11am	Funeral Service – John Tremlin – Parish Church
	2.30pm	Stroud Court Easter Service
	7.30pm	Reflective Eucharist – Parish Church
17TH WED	9am	Eucharist - St Barnabas, Box
	11am	Eucharist (BCP) – Parish Church
	12pm	Armchair Yoga - Parish Church
	1.30pm	Horsfall House Easter Service
	2.30pm	Wednesday Cuppa – Porch Room
	6-7pm	Choir Practice – Parish Church
	7.30pm	Reflective Eucharist – Parish Church
18TH THURS	7.30pm	Sung Eucharist of the Last Supper followed by The Watch - Parish Church
19TH FRI	9am	Veneration of the Cross – Parish Church
	10.30am	Messy Church – Parish Church/Porch Room
	12-3pm	Three Hours at The Cross – Parish Church
	5.30pm	Junior Choir Practice - Porch Room
	6pm	Adult Choir Practice - Parish Church
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers Practice - Parish Church
20TH SAT	9pm	Easter Eve Liturgy – Parish Church

NEXT SUNDAY 21ST APRIL – EASTER SUNDAY

HOLY TRINITY, MINCHINHAMPTON

6am	Dawn Service on Minchinhampton Common (Tom Longs Post)	
8am	Eucharist	
	President: Revd Sandy Emery	
	Preacher: Revd Canon Howard Gilbert	
10am	Sung Eucharist	
	President & Preacher: Revd Canon Howard Gilbert	

ST BARNABAS, BOX

9am	Eucharist	President & Preacher: Revd Canon Mike Tucker
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HOLY TRINITY, AMBERLEY Morning Prayer in church every weekday at 8am unless stated below. Fridays 9 – 9.30am Julian Group (silent prayer) in the Littleworth New Room. Every second Monday of the month – 6pm Compline – Led by Simon Barker.

8am	Said Communion 1662	President & Preacher: Revd John Spiers
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & Preacher: Revd John Spiers