# St. Mary the Virgin, Hartfield Holy Trinity, Colemans Hatch



### Welcome!

Today we welcome Bishop Richard Jackson to our service of Thanksgiving and Dedication.

During the service the children will be presenting all the ladies in the church with some flowers.

There are activities for all the children to make items for Mother's Day. There will also be cake and coffee after the service.

Loving God, we thank you for mothers – for all they mean or have meant, for the love they have shown and the care they have given.

We thank you for the qualities of mothers – their patience, their kindness, concern and understanding.

We thank you for the part they play in our lives, and we want to take this opportunity to say 'thank you'. For the different ways they listen, love us, feed us, clothe us. For mothers and motherhood, for children and families we bring you this day our grateful praise. Amen.

### A prayer for the people of new Zealand

We use this prayer from Canterbury Cathedral to pray for the people of Aotearoa-New Zealand, especially for those who have died in the recent attacks.

God of grace and mercy,

We pray for the people of Christchurch and all New Zealand.

We pray for the 49 victims who have died in these attacks, for the mercy of your eternal love.

We pray for all who mourn, for families, friends, communities, a nation.

We pray for Muslim communities grieving and we pray for understanding and acceptance throughout the world

between peoples of all faiths and none. Amen

## **Prayer by Archbishop of York**

We are joining with others to respond to the call of the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland to pray for all our political leaders and all MPs at this time

God of eternal love and power,

Save our Parliamentary Democracy;

Protect the High Court of Parliament and all its members From partiality and prejudice;

That they may walk humbly the path of kindness, justice and mercy.

Give them wisdom, insight and a concern for the common good. The weight of their calling is too much to bear in their own strength,

Therefore we pray earnestly, Father, send them help from your Holy Place, and be their tower of strength.

Lord, graciously hear us. Amen

### Tearfund writes.....

Large parts of Mozambique were hardest hit and heavy rains caused landslides and flash floods in Malawi and Zimbabwe.

Tearfund's country director for Malawi, Vincent Moyo told Premier:

"Pray that no more rains, which are destructive, will come. But also pray that people come in to respond and embrace the people who have been grieved, those who have lost their loved ones."

Cyclone Idai made landfall in the port city of Beira on Thursday 14th March with wind speeds of up to 106 mph and has wreaked havoc across the region destroying homes and devastating crops, infrastructure and livelihoods.

The full extent of the damage is still unknown. Predictions suggest that the death toll may reach as many as 1,000 in Mozambique alone, with thousands more displaced and left homeless.

The situation is very devastating, so depressing - you see women and children who have lost their homes, their property, their crops and they have no food and they are destitute.

"The immediate needs - you're talking of food because they have lost all their food, but also safe drinking water just because of the floods, due to the cyclone. the wells have been contaminated."

Earnest Maswera, Tearfund's Country Director in Zimbabwe, said: 'This is the worst possible time for this to happen as people would have been harvesting in the next couple of weeks. The loss of crops aggravates existing challenges we have been facing because even before the floods 5.3 million people had been experiencing food shortages and this will increase significantly."

Next week our collection will go to help this situation.

#### Leanna

We welcome Leanna Fee, our new Youth, Children's and Families Event Administrator, who started with us last Saturday.

Leana will be developing the events, programmes and resources for our Sunday Worship. This is purely an administrative role but is vitally important for the life and mission of our children and youth work.

Over the next few months, Leana will help us develop termly programmes for our Sunday Discoverers and Big Breakfast. She will also assist in helping the Rector with developing the new evening service in May, HYPE and WAFFLE programmes. Leana will be working for six hours per week. Some of this time will take place at the Rectory.

Please pray for Leana as she begins this role in the life of St Mary's. I hope to introduce her to you all before Easter.



### **Music Practice**

As part of our new Communion Service, we will be learning a new version of The Gloria, Sanctus and Benedictus.

Barry has offered to hold 2 music practices in Church, so we can learn together. Music will be provided.

Saturday 6th April

9.15am to 10.00am



# Easter Church Services 2019

Date	Times	Church	Service
7th Apríl	9.30am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
	11am	Holy Trinity	Sunday Praise
Passiontide Begins	6.30pm	Holy Trinity	Choral Evensong
14th April	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	9.30am	St Mary's	Church Family Praise
Palm Sunday	11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
18 <sup>th</sup> Apríl	Fpm	St Mary's	Joint Service
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19th Apríl	10am	St Mary's	All age stations of the cross
Good Friday	2pm	Holy Trinity	Meditations at the foot of the cross
21st Apríl	Sunrise Service On The Forest		
EasterDay	Time To Be Confirmed		
21st Apríl	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
EasterSunday	11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion



# Save the date! St Mary's, 15th & 16th June 2019

Many of you at St Mary's have been saving the weekend for our weekend away at Burrswood.

However, we have made a decision not to actually go away as a church but to have a more family orientated time together here in Hartfield.

So please do keep that weekend free. The plan is to have a walk in the afternoon followed by a BBQ with games.

On the Sunday we will have a service with fun activities for our young people and children.

More information nearer the time.

Rev Julie

### **APCM**

Holy Trinity - 8th April at Trinity Hall - 7:15pm (coffee and dessert) for 7:30pm start

St Mary's - 28<sup>th</sup> April in Church - 9.30am for a time of cafe' style worship followed by our APCM

Please put the dates for the APCM in your diary.

This is a significant moment in the life of the church. It is a time of thanksgiving as we look back and give thanks to God for all that He has been doing in the life of our churches and community. It is a time to focus on the present, what are the blessings and challenges. It is also a time to look forward, to pray for the coming year with vision and hope. The church is like any family. All ages, different skills and gifts all growing and praying together.

Please make this meeting a priority and pray for the mission and growth of our Benefice.

Rev Julie

## **Prayer for Lent**

Sovereign Lord,
your hand has touched
the dry bones of our faith,
your Word has breathed
new life where there was
death,

your spirit raised
us up from where we lay,
your love has brought
us home and to your Cross,
and by your grace
we stand forgiven, free.

Hallelujah!

# Hartfield Singers

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2019 St. Mary's Church, Hartfield at 7.30pm

# Schubert Mass No. 2 in G Major

And full supporting programme

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Save the Date Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019



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### **Church Services**

7<sup>th</sup> April

St Mary's 9.30 Holy Communion

Holy Trinity 11.00 Sunday Praise

Holy Trinity 18.30 Choral Evensong

14<sup>th</sup> April

St Mary's 8.00 Holy Communion BCP

St Mary's 9.30 Church Family Praise

Holy Trinity 11.00 Holy Communion BCP

18<sup>th</sup> April

Maunday Thursday St Mary's 19.00

19<sup>th</sup> April

Good Friday 10.00 St Mary's

All age stations of the cross

14.00 Holy Trinity

Meditations at foot of cross

21st April – Easter Sunday Morning

Sunrise service on the forest – time tbc

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