

UXBRIDGE PARISH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday 15 March 2020

Welcome to St Andrew's and St Margaret's in the Parish of Uxbridge

OUR PARISH VISION

"To see people's lives transformed in Uxbridge through knowing God's love and living Christ's way."

As we come together for worship, please ensure that your mobile phone is on silent or switched off. Thank you.

If you are new to one of our churches, our welcomers and sidespeople (those with badges who greet you) are here to help. If you have any questions please ask them.

When not celebrating an all age service, our children and young people meet in the service and then move to the hall in St Andrew's and the upper room in St Margaret's for children and youth groups and for the crèche. Both churches also have a crèche area (at the back of church for St Andrew's or in the foyer for St Margaret's). Please join us after Sunday services for refreshments.

Services today

St Andrew's		St Margaret's	
8am	Said Eucharist	<i>Theme: Living Water</i> <i>Readings: Exodus 17: 1-7 (Page 75); John 4: 5-42 (Page 1066)</i>	
10am	Family Eucharist	9am	Holy Communion with prayer for healing and wholeness
		10.45am	Holy Communion with Kingdom Kids and Pathfinders and with prayer for healing and wholeness
		<i>Theme: Love one another: holy, holy, holy is the Lord - don't abuse him</i>	
		7pm	Evening Service

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St Andrew's Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/www.standrewsuxbridge.org

St Margaret's Facebook Group: To join this group type St Margaret's Church, Uxbridge in the search bar and send a request.

St Margaret's Coffee Shop Opening Hours

Monday - Friday: 10am - 2pm. Saturday: 10am - 3pm

The Week Ahead

St Andrew's		St Margaret's	
Monday 16 March: Psalm 126; Genesis 47: 1-27; Hebrews 4: 14 - 5: 10			
9.30am	English lessons for adults - Hall	11am	Foodbank
1.30pm	St A's School Year 5 visit to St A's	12 noon	Operations Group - Upper Room
2.15pm	St A's School Year 3 visit to St A's	7pm	Prayers - Chapel
7pm	The Vibe - Hall	8pm	Lent Study Group: The Purpose Driven Life - Chapel
Tuesday 17 March: Psalm 9 or 132; Genesis 47: 28 - end of 48; Hebrews 5: 11 - 6: 12			
10.40am	St A's School Year 4 visit to St A's	10am	Little People's Oasis - Upper Room
11.20am	St A's School Year 6 visit to St A's	1pm	Songs of Praise
7.30pm	Lent Study Group - Opening the Scriptures - Setting Hearts on Fire - Ark Angels	7pm	Re: Youth - Coffee Shop
Wednesday 18 March: Psalm 38 or 119: 153-end; Genesis 49: 1-32; Hebrews 6: 13-end			
9.30am	Eucharist for parents/toddlers	10am	Praymates - Chapel/Upper Room
10.40am	St A's School Year 1 visit to St A's	10.45am	Buildings Staff meeting
11.20am	St A's School Year 2 visit to St A's		
7.45pm	Church Council - Hall		
Thursday 19 March - Joseph of Nazareth: Psalm 25 and 147: 1-12; Isaiah 11: 1-10; Matthew 13: 54-end			
	8.30pm Men's Meet Up - The Queen's Head, Windsor Street	10.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 20 March: Psalm 22 or 144; Exodus 1: 1-14; Hebrews 7: 11-end			
6.30pm	Junior Choir rehearsal	10.30am	Guiding Lights - Coffee Shop
7pm	Senior Choir rehearsal	11am	Food Bank
8pm	Orchestra rehearsal	12.40pm	Holy Communion
		8pm	Music rehearsal
Saturday 21 March: Psalm 31 or 147; Exodus 1: 22 - 2: 10; Hebrews 8			
9.30am	Dig Deeper		
Sunday 22 March - Mothering Sunday			
8am	Said Eucharist	9am	All Age Holy Communion
10am	All Age Eucharist	10.45am	All Age Parade Service
		7pm	Evening Service

School places application: Just a reminder to all parents and carers to sign the attendance sheet in the yellow folder at the back of church if you are going to apply for a school place in the **next few years**.

Photographs: Photographs are sometimes taken during services and church events and posted on our website, magazine and/or Facebook pages. Should you not wish to have a photograph used in this manner, please could you let us know at the time of taking.

NOTICES & EVENTS

Please also see the Weekday Activities leaflet or the ChurchSuite Calendar on websites.

Coronavirus (Covid-19)

We are following current guidance from the Diocese of London regarding the Coronavirus.

Please note that, for the time being, we will:

- offer Communion in one kind only to all communicants i.e. the consecrated bread/wafer/host, with the priest alone taking the wine - *NB the person presiding (and any other servers or those setting up) will use hand sanitizer before touching the bread;*
- suspend handshaking or other direct physical contact during the sharing of the peace – *instead, please cross your hands on your chest as a sign of friendship, then give a little bow, maintain eye contact and say "peace be with you".*
- suspend direct physical contact as part of a blessing or 'laying on of hands'.

To be consistent with the above guidance, there will be no physical contact (handshaking) as we arrive and leave.

We continue to keep all guidance under review.

Can you help?

More volunteers are needed with the following:

- **to help serve tea/coffee** after the 10.45am service on Sundays at St M's, particularly the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. If you can help, please speak to Lisa Regan or clergy;
- **to help with AV** at 10.45am and 7pm Sunday services at St M's. Full training will be provided. For further information, speak to the clergy, or Mark Knight.

Electoral roll revision - from 15 March

Please note that application forms are available from today for regular worshippers who are not yet part of the electoral roll.

Dig Deeper – God in a world of pain

Saturday 21 March - 9.30am – St A's

On 21 March the group will consider such questions as *Do you agree that people are shocked by suffering and expect better of the world? If Jesus is our window onto God, what can we learn from him about God's attitude to suffering?* Do join us as we discuss these.

Mothering Sunday - 22 March

All are welcome to join us at our services to come together and celebrate the love the mothers give and to give thanks for them. Please encourage friends to come along too.

Forthcoming Men's Events

Bowling evening - Weds 25 March

7.45pm @ Airport Bowl

If you are interested, please contact Mick Benner or Steve Sammons. Cost £12.

Big Breakfast – 25 April – 8.30am

@ The Good Yarn

Richard Young, Area Dean, will be speaking. Tickets available – cost £6.

Do you want the clergy to wash your feet?

Thursday 9 April - 8pm - St A's

We are looking for six volunteers from each church to have their feet washed as part of the Maundy Thursday Parish Eucharist service which is at St A's this year. Please speak to one of the clergy or contact Lesley in the parish office if you would like to volunteer.

Christian Aid – help required

There will be no house-to-house collections this year during Christian Aid Week (10-16 May). Instead we are looking for ideas for alternatives – if you have any good ideas and/or would like to offer to help, please speak to Christine Nickolls.

Parish Staff *(see back page for Clergy and Wardens)*

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PRAYERS

Eternal God,
give us insight to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised.
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for:

Our World and our Country

Those working to combat the spread of
coronavirus.
The work of Amnesty International.

Our Church

Churches dedicated to St Joseph (19 March)
and all who foster children.
The Church's ministry to the sick and poor.
Churches in interregnum.

Our Community

Those with family and friends overseas who
are ill.
Those working to raise money for Sport
Relief this week.

Our Mission partners

Please pray for the work and ministry of the
Barnabas Fund.

Those in need

Lee Morgan and Margaret Stokes.
Those who are anxious.
Those who are without friends.

We remember in faith and love

We remember in faith and love those who
have died recently including Wyn Price, a
much-loved former Pastor of Hillingdon
Pentecostal Church, and we pray for their
families. We remember too those whose
anniversaries fall at this time: Edward
Newton, Stuart Fairbairn, Robert Clark,
Albert Norwood, Mary Simmonds, Terry
Williamson and Christine Graham.

Can we pray for you?

There are people in both churches available
to pray with you at the end of services. If
you would like somebody to listen and pray
with you, please go to the chapel after the
10.45am and 7pm services at St M's or
simply ask a member of clergy or someone
wearing a badge after other services.

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