

# **The March Diary**

## **Sunday Eucharist 9.30 am**

4<sup>th</sup> March 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent  
11<sup>th</sup> March Mothering Sunday

18<sup>th</sup> March Passion Sunday

25<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday NO SERVICE  
(Cathedral Service 11.00 am)

1<sup>st</sup> April Easter Day

## **Midweek Eucharist**

Every Tuesday at 11.00am (no sermon)

## **Meditation Group**

Every Tuesday in Lent at 4.30pm

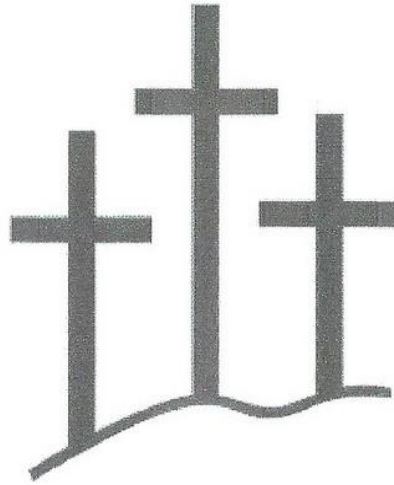
## **Forthcoming Events**

2<sup>nd</sup> March Women's World Day of Prayer  
4<sup>th</sup> March Fr Steven's Meeting after the service  
7<sup>th</sup> March Mothers Union 2.00pm  
7<sup>th</sup> March Lent Course St David's 7.00pm  
14<sup>th</sup> March Lent Course St David's 7.00pm  
18<sup>th</sup> March Sunday Lunch at the Clarence 1.00pm  
19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March Parkinsons Society Craft Fair  
21<sup>st</sup> March Lent Course St David's 7.00pm  
30<sup>th</sup> March The Good Friday Walk of Witness

## **Contacts**

|               |                |                    |               |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|
|               | Parish Priest  | Fr Steven Griffith | 623857/622044 |
| Curate        | Rev'd Judy Day | 638307             |               |
| Churchwardens | Heather Parry  | 611181             |               |
|               | Liz Parry      | 665400             |               |

# The Parish Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, Brecon



**March Newsletter 2018**

### **Fr. Steven's special meeting**

Fr. Steven will be holding a follow up meeting after the service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March. This is to discuss the way forward for the church. There will be no sermon during the service to give time for this discussion.

### **Brecon St Mary's & St John's Mother's Union**

The March meeting, to be held in The Heritage Centre at 2pm on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, will include a talk by Heather Price, the MU Diocesan Treasurer.

### **The Women's World Day of Prayer**

The service this year is to be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2.00pm in St Michael's Church. This year's theme is 'All God's Creation is Very Good'. The service has been prepared by the women of Suriname and has a lovely theme with some popular hymns. All are welcome.

### **Lent Course 2018**

Judy is continuing the Lent course in St David's Llanfaes at 7pm on Wednesdays. The meeting will consist of the course followed by Compline and then refreshments. Full details are on the church notice board.

### **Meditation Group**

This is now meeting in St Mary's every Tuesday in Lent at 4.30 pm. The doors are shut at 4.30 to ensure a quiet area for the contemplative prayer so please arrive by 4.25 pm.

### **Ecclesiastical Trust 130**

This year Ecclesiastical Insurance celebrates its 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of insuring Anglican churches. In recognition, the Group is offering to donate **£130 to each church** each time a member of the church – clergy, church workers, volunteers, or members of the congregat – take out a new home insurance policy with Ecclesiastical up to December 2018.

When a new insurance policy is taken out by someone quoting **Trust 130**, and nominating the chosen church, Ecclesiastical will make a £130 donation. There is no limit to the number of donations that Ecclesiastical will make to the church.

A poster with details of contact is on the notice board at St Mary's, and a leaflet included with the newsletter.

### **Sunday Lunch**

The next Lunch will be on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 1pm at the Clarence.

Please give your names to Liz Benning either on 01874 611308 or at [lizabenning@gmail.com](mailto:lizabenning@gmail.com) by 14<sup>th</sup> March at the latest. It would be a help if those who often attend can also notify us if you are unable to come this month.

### **Candle Sponsorship**

We continue with candle sponsorship of both the Altar and the Walsingham candles either in celebration or in special memory of friends or family. Joan Robson and Margaret Sommers both sponsored the candles in February. Joan Preece is sponsoring the Altar candle through out March. If you wish to sponsor one at £2 a week please get in touch with Liz Benning.

### **Rotas**

The new rotas are on the notice board. If you cannot manage a Sunday please find a replacement. Thanks to those who advised of unsuitable dates. Ann has left an open list for the Coffee Rota. Please sign up where you can help. How about joining in, it is quite straight forward? All you need to provide is milk and biscuits the rest will be out ready for you.

### PCC Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2 pm.

### Holy Week Services at The Cathedral

|             |                        |   |   |
|-------------|------------------------|---|---|
| Monday      | 26 <sup>th</sup> March | 7pm Compline with Address                                     |   |
| Tuesday     | 27 <sup>th</sup> March | 12.noon Chrism Eucharist                                      | 7pm Compline with Address   |
| Wednesday   | 28 <sup>th</sup> March | 7pm Compline with Address<br>and Watch at the Altar of Repose | Maundy Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 7pm Eucharist of the Last Supper |
| Good Friday | 30 <sup>th</sup> March | Good Friday Liturgy   |   |
| Saturday    | 31 <sup>st</sup> March | 8pm Easter Vigil  |   |

Easter Day Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 9.30 am Service at St Mary's



*Cell of the Holy Rood of Brecon*

*You are invited to join us this year  
in the*

*Walsingham Pilgrimage 2018*

*September 24<sup>th</sup> – September 27<sup>th</sup>*



**Walsingham Pilgrimage 2018**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

This has again been booked for the last week of September. The total cost will be in the region of £300, less if there are 16 or more pilgrims. Full details will be given in mid May. If you wish to come this year

**Please complete the initial booking form and return together with a deposit of £30 to Liz Benning (cell secretary) by 20th April**

**Further information can be obtained from Fr Steven Griffith & the Rev Judy Day via the Cathedral or from Liz Benning at [lizabenning@gmail.com](mailto:lizabenning@gmail.com)**

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**Please PRINT your details and return together with the booking deposit of £30 per person (making cheque payable to ‘St Mary’s Brecon’) Send to Mrs E Benning, 11 Brynglas, Brecon. LD3 7SA or leave in St Mary’s Church, Brecon by April 20<sup>th</sup>**

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