



**St Andrew's Whittlesey, St Mary's Whittlesey,  
St Thomas' Pondersbridge and Holy Trinity Coates**  
**Church of England Team Ministry:**

**www.wpcteam.org.uk**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**Remember clocks go forward tonight.**

**A prayer for all those affected by coronavirus for daily use.**

**Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy.  
Sustain and support the anxious,  
be with those who care for the sick,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may find comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

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**Our regular services have been suspended,  
Our church buildings are now closed.  
We are now a church at home united in the Spirit.  
Let us pray for each other.  
Let us be good neighbours.  
May God bless us all.**

**Please make use of the Address prepared by Roger and attached to your email.**  
**Each of us over the next weeks will be prepared a weekly reflection based on the Sunday Readings**  
**Please make use of the daily cycle of readings.**

**Attached to the email is a copy of the morning service and evening service we use in Lent.**  
**If you wish please use as daily prayer using the readings below.**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – Purple – Passiontide begins**

**Holy Communion**

**First reading Ezekiel 37: 1-14. Second reading Romans 8: 6-11. Gospel John 11: 1-45.**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 86. Jeremiah 31: 27-37. John 12: 20-33.

Evening Prayer – Psalm 30. Lamentations 3: 19-33. Matthew 20: 17 – end.

**Monday**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 73, 121. Exodus 8: 1-19. Hebrews 11: 17-31

Evening Prayer – Psalm 26, 27. Jeremiah 21: 1-10. John 11: 28-44

**Tuesday**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 33, 123. Exodus 8: 20 - end. Hebrews 11: 32 – 12: 2

Evening Prayer – Psalm 61, 64. Jeremiah 22: 1-5, 13-19. John 11: 45 - end

**Wednesday – Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 55, 124. Exodus 9: 1 – 12. Hebrews 12: 3-13.

Evening Prayer – Psalm 56, 62. Jeremiah 22: 20 – 23: 8. John 12: 1 – 11.

**Thursday**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 40, 125. Exodus 9: 13 – end. Hebrews 12: 14 - end

Evening Prayer – Psalm 42, 43. Jeremiah 23: 9 – 32. John 12: 12 - 19

**Friday**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 22, 126. Exodus 10. Hebrews 13: 1 – 16.

Evening Prayer – Psalm 31. Jeremiah 24. John 12: 20 – 36a.

**Saturday**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 23, 127. Exodus 11. Hebrews 13: 17 – end.

Evening Prayer – Psalm 128, 129, 130. Jeremiah 25: 1 – 14. John 12: 36b – end.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Palm Sunday – Red – Holy Week begins**

**Holy Communion.**

**Palm Gospel - Matthew 21: 1-11**

**First reading - Isaiah 50: 4-9a**

**Passion - Gospel - Matthew 26:14 – end of chapter 27**

Morning Prayer – Psalm 61, 62. Zechariah 9: 9 – 12. Luke 16: 19 - end

Evening Prayer – Psalm 80. Isaiah 5: 1 – 7. Mathew 21: 33 - end

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**All who are self-isolating. Those who are in residential homes, hospital or hospice & those known personally to us:**

***Prayers are requested for Bishop Stephen, Marie Rogers, Deborah Law, Terry Randells, Emma Aindow Gregory, Lizzie Monk, Richard Willows***

***The families and friends of those who have recently died:***

***Peter Wortley, Shirley Long, Robert Gilby, Sylvia Springett, Joyce Mary Lister***

**Anniversaries:**

**St Thomas's: 30<sup>th</sup> Fredrick Roland Snitch**

**St Andrew's: 29<sup>th</sup> James Arthur Foster, Dora Whitehead, 30<sup>th</sup> Gwendolin Stratton, 31<sup>st</sup> Frank William Hill, April 1<sup>st</sup> Dennis Bashford, Tony Papworth, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ivy Hilda Bennett, Arthur Malcolm Faithfull,**

**St Mary's: 29<sup>th</sup> Lucy Bass, John Ernest Warren, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brenda Winifred Cobb-Western, 2<sup>nd</sup> Colin Alfred Harris**

**Our churches pastoral work continues.**

**Please contact us by phone if you need to or just what a chat.**

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**To support you with your daily prayer and contact with the wider church and if you can access the internet please make use of the following websites.**

**Church of England. <https://www.churchofengland.org/>**

**Diocese of Ely. <https://www.elydiocese.org/>**

**Ely Cathedral. <https://www.elycathedral.org/>**

**James Trundle. James has been playing occasionally at our Sunday services.**

**Please visit his website. <https://www.jtorganist.com/>**

Reports for the Annual Parochial Church Meetings – Thank you for all your reports. They will be compiled and printed ready for APCMs later in the year.  
If there are any more please send in this week. Many thanks.  
Email address is [nigel.whitehouse@hotmail.com](mailto:nigel.whitehouse@hotmail.com).

All APCMs are postponed and the Bishop has issued a pastoral order extending the term of office for Churchwardens, PCC members and Officers. Thank you to you all for your support.

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**From Bishop Dagmar, Bishop of Huntingdon.**

**You must keep your church buildings closed and locked.**

**All baptisms and weddings are postponed.**

**Funerals may take place at the graveside or in the Crematorium only. Only immediate family members can attend (if the crematorium allows) – that is, spouse or partner, parents and children, keeping their distance in the prescribed way.**

It's a good time to remind ourselves of New Testament teaching that the church exists on three levels: in the home/household, in the local gathering (ie local church) and globally. As a Diocese, our priority has been and remains to nurture a confident people of God. So we continue to pray and read Scripture, and as far as possible, if we can safely do so, serve our communities by being part of the wonderful number of Community Action Groups in our neighbourhoods who are looking out for those in greatest need.

**Please take good care of yourselves and your loved ones  
as we continue in prayer for one another.**



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**Attachments**

**Roger's reflection.**

**Lent morning praise**

**Lent evening praise**

## For reading, reflection and prayer

### Footprints in the Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed  
he was walking along the beach with the LORD.

Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.  
For each scene he noticed two sets of  
footprints in the sand: one belonging  
to him, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him,  
he looked back at the footprints in the sand.

He noticed that many times along the path of  
his life there was only one set of footprints.

He also noticed that it happened at the very  
lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he  
questioned the LORD about it:

"LORD, you said that once I decided to follow  
you, you'd walk with me all the way.  
But I have noticed that during the most  
troublesome times in my life,  
there is only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why when  
I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied:

"My son, my precious child,  
I love you and I would never leave you.  
During your times of trial and suffering,  
when you see only one set of footprints,  
it was then that I carried you."

So beautiful from Pope Francis:

"Tonight before falling asleep

think about when we will return to the street.

When we hug again,

when all the shopping together will seem like a party.

Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar, the small talk, the photos close to each other.

We think about when it will be all a memory but normalcy will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift.

We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us. Every second will be precious.

Swims at the sea, the sun until late, sunsets, toasts, laughter.

We will go back to laughing together.

Strength and courage.

See you soon! "**#Papafrancesco #restateacasa**

**#pope #popefrancis** ❤️🙏