

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 13th March 2016
Fifth Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday Year C

We welcome any newcomers to the church. It would help us to get to know you if you complete one of the welcome cards from the library at the back of the church and hand it to a sidesperson or a Warden.

Readings for the 5th Sunday of Lent

1st : Isaiah 43. 16 – 21
 2nd : Philippians 3.4b – 14
 Gospel : John 12. 1 – 8

Collect

**Gracious Father,
 you gave up your Son
 out of love for the world:
 lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
 that we may know eternal peace
 through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Jonah and the Ministry Team in the lead up to Easter	
The Parish	Main Road	
The sick	Baby William Sands Philippa Duffy Bev Ralph	Iris Homer Helen Haig Jean Farmery
Those in our long term prayers	Sarah Piper Ruth Bevis	Peter Bevis Audrey Pallett
The Departed	Molly Horn	
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Deakie Matthews	

Events

Today	2.30 pm	Rehearsal of Stainer's Crucifixion
	6.00 pm	Evensong
Monday	11.00 am	Lent Course in the Church
	7.30 pm	Lent Course, St Mary's Twyford
Tuesday	7.30 pm	Bells
Sun 20 th	9.45 am	Palm Sunday Family Service
	2.30 pm	Rehearsal of Stainer's Crucifixion

There are copies of the **readings for the month** at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one home with you, if you would like to.

Prayer Requests – in addition to passing on concerns directly to the Vicar, there are prayer request cards on the book shelf at the back of the church. They can be left at any time in the box and they will be included in the Vicar's daily prayers for the parish and, when appropriate, include them on the weekly sheet

Special Charity

During March and April we shall be collecting for 'the Compassionate Friends' Charity. Please see the March Parish magazine for details.

Also, thank you for your continuing donations of non-perishable items to the Nightshelter.

Notices

Today Val Corcoran will preside at the Parish Eucharist and Gillian will deacon. Evensong will be lay led. Next Sunday the Family Service will be lay led.

Our Family Service for Palm Sunday next week will include a Palm Procession around the churchyard, weather permitting. Please wear shoes practical for wet ground as the churchyard is still very boggy in places.



On Thursday 24th March, we will celebrate the **Maundy Thursday Eucharist**, commemorating the Last Supper that Jesus shared with his disciples on the night he was arrested. During the Last Supper, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. During our Eucharist, we will remember this action of love with the washing of feet. Please consider joining in this part of the service. If you wish to do so, please let one of the wardens know.

Our Electoral Roll Officer, Trevor Piper, will shortly be **updating the Electoral Roll** to present at this year's APCM on Wednesday 27th April at 7.30 pm (please make a note in your diary now). If you are not on Holy Trinity's Electoral Roll, but would like to be included, please speak with Trevor or one of the churchwardens and collect a form.

Our next company for Lunch will be at 12.15 pm on Wednesday (16th March). £7.50 per head. BYOB. The theme will be 'Commonwealth'

'**The Crucifixion**' by John Stainer will be sung in church on Good Friday at 6.30 pm, by soloists and choir made up of members of both Colden Common Churches and friends. There are posters at the back of the church – please take one and display it in your part of the village. If you are not singing – please come along and listen.

The church will be decorated for Easter on Saturday 4th April. Please let Pat know if you are able to help with greenery, financial donations or on the day.

Thank you to those who supported the Women's World Day of Prayer Service. The collection amounted to £301.46. Thank you to all who contributed.

If you know of **anyone who is sick or in hospital**, or would like a visit from the Vicar, please pass the information on to the Vicar. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.

Please take this notice sheet home with you if you wish, as an aid for your personal prayers during the week or to look up the readings before next Sunday's Service.