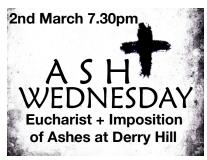
The Marden Vale Team Ministry Christ Church, Derry Hill St. John the Baptist, Foxham St. Martin, Bremhill 27th February - Sunday next before Lent

Services

Sunday 27th February

10am Parish Eucharist at Bremhill 1pm Baptism at St. Martin's, Bremhill 6pm Evening Prayer at Foxham



Sunday 6th March

10am Said Communion at Derry Hill 10.30am Family Service at Derry Hill 6pm Zoom Evening Prayer (Link available from lindac@mardenvale.org.uk)



Continuing our theme of caring for creation we'll be making some bug hotels and hearing about our very important pollinators and how to "Bee Aware". Join Pip on **Sunday 6th** March a t

10.30am to find out more and give thanks to God for our wonderful world

Diary for March

Tue 1st 7pm Derry Hill PCC at Christ Church Wed 2nd 11.30am Interment of Ashes at St Martin BH (The late Mr Alan Holder)

2.30pm MU P&F at Christ Church DH 6pm Meditation at Christ Church DH Thu 3rd 7.30pm Handbells at Christ Church DH

Dates of Annual Parochial Church Meetings Christ Church, Derry Hill TBC

St. John the Baptist, Foxham Wednesday 20th April St. Martin, Bremhill Sunday 24th April

Bremhill Electoral Roll revision begins 13th March Contact jenniferlamacraft@icloud.com

Foxham Electoral Roll revision begins 6th March Contact airtrafficker@hotmail.com

Derry Hill Electoral Roll revision ends 4th March

Contact derryhillpccsec@mardenvale.org.uk

Please click **here** or see below for COVID measures. A review is taking place Friday 25th February at 6pm.

Keeping in touch

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Derry Hill's Facebook page Foxham's Facebook Page

Ukraine

Statement from the Archbishops of Canterbury & York: "The horrific and unprovoked attack on Ukraine is an act of great evil.

"Placing our trust in Jesus Christ, the author of peace, we pray for an urgent ceasefire and a withdrawal of Russian forces. We call for a public decision to choose the way of peace and an international conference to secure long term agreements for stability and lasting

"We invite Christians to make this Sunday a day for prayer for Ukraine, Russia and for peace.

We also give our support to the call from Pope Francis for a global day of prayer and fasting for peace on Ash Wednesday, March 2.'

God of peace and justice,

We pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

Click here to leave prayer requests or to join the Church of England Daily Prayer

Baptism: for Tillie to be baptised at Bremhill on 27th February

The sick: Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Jackson Goodship, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Brenda Beint, Sonia Strange, Margaret Bell, Rev. Jim Scott, Peggy Doddington

The departed: all who mourn the loss of loved ones; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya

Churches open for private prayer Bremhill - daily from 9am to 4pm

Derry Hill - Tue-Sat 9am to 4pm, Sundays 12-4pm

Foxham - Sundays 11am-4pm

Lent Calendar for 2022

The beginning of March heralds the season of Lent this To accompany our 40 days of Lenten Bible readings I would love to include your contributions on the theme of healthy eating - feeding body and soul again. So, if you garden, what are you growing this year, do you have any cultivation tips? Or, which fruit or vegetable dishes do you love - any recipes to share? Pictures of your vegetable patch, allotment or window box would be great too. lindac@mardenvale.org.uk Thank you.

Readings for the Sunday next before Lent

Collect

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth quake!
The Lord is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.
Let them praise your great and awesome name.
Holy is he!
Mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.
Extol the Lord our God;
worship at his footstool.
Holy is he!

Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name.

They cried to the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

Exodus 34:29-end

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into

the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'-not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

From Craig W Hartman:

"When we build churches today, such as the strikingly transcendent interior of the Cathedral of Christ the Light, are we trying to "build a booth" to contain God? Or are we transformed ourselves when worshiping in a church of great beauty?

The Cathedral, located on the shores of Lake Merritt in Oakland, is designed with the s y m b o l i c representation of Jesus Christ at its core. The 58-foot high image within the Omega window



is created by natural light passing through aluminum panels that have been pierced with 94,000 holes. This image is a depiction of Christ in Majesty, borrowed from the sculpture of Christ in the central doorway of the west entrance to Chartres Cathedral in France. The use of natural light in the Oakland Cathedral symbolizes the movement of salvation history, climaxing with the tangible, powerful, presence of Christ.[1] As the sun moves across the sky, the movement of light transforms the worship space.

The intentional design of this sanctuary, active in its beauty and its theological meaning, reveals the reciprocal exchange of love between God and humanity. As humans, we offer our humble devotion, and God's presence is strongly felt. In a place of such beauty, natural and human-made, there are possibilities of transformation -- transformation and devotion are brought to life in an exchange of heavenly and earthly love." [1] Adult Formation Committee, Cathedral of Christ the Light. https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderbilt.edu/act-inglibrary.vanderb

Architects: Craig W. Hartman; Tom Milholland

Help us to update and refresh our Community Neighbourhood Plan

The community of Calne and Calne Without, which includes Fishers Brook, Ratford, Derry Hill and Studley, Sandy Lane, Stockley, Calstone and Lower Compton, have an adopted Neighbourhood Plan



The Plan now needs an update and refresh. There will be a range of opportunities for the Calne Community to get involved in updating the Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan during 2022....starting this January:

- whether you've got just a few minutes to spare, or longer -

we want to hear from you!

Tell us what you treasure in our area and what could do with a transformation!

find out more:

calnecommunityplan.com

and follow us on facebook



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Giving

You can find out how to support your local church on our Giving page.

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Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan
Committee members will be available for a
chat outside Christ Church, Derry Hill on
Sunday 6th March after the morning
services.

Parochial Church Council (PCC) Guidance

At the joint PCC meeting on 8th December (and subsequent consultation via email in January 2022) it was agreed that the current COVID measures should remain largely unaltered, with the exception that face coverings must be worn at all times in our church buildings. We are continuing to take a cautious approach while working towards reintroducing elements of worship in church which so many have missed.

In common with many other churches and retail and hospitality settings we are asking people to continue to observe the "Hands, Face, Space, Ventilation" measures which are currently in place.

Social distancing remains in place. Please feel free to sit with members of your household or regular social 'bubble' in any pew where there are Orders of Service. To indicate your preference for space, place a kneeler on the pew.

Face coverings We ask that face coverings are worn at all times unless you are exempt.

Communion (intincted wafers/bread) may be received at the high altar (standing). To reduce queuing this will be conducted row-by-row.

Congregational singing of two hymns + the Gloria will take place in church during services. We ask that you wear a face covering if you wish to join in.

Zoom services will continue

These measures apply to the regular Sunday services. They will be reviewed as the national situation changes as necessary.

An amended set of measures will apply to baptisms, weddings, funerals and other groups meeting in church subject to the requirements of separate risk assessments.

Our Christian calling is to care for all our brothers and sisters, particularly those who are vulnerable; and there are times in our lives when every one of us (and those we have close contact with) is vulnerable. We want everyone to feel welcome, comfortable and cared for. Thank you for your understanding.

Rev. Linda Carter on behalf of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham PCCs 6th January 2022.