

The Benefice of Steep and Froxfield with Privett

NEWS SHEET

Sunday 25th March 2018

⊕ Palm Sunday

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

SATURDAY 24TH MARCH

6pm Holy Communion, Stroud READINGS as tomorrow

SUNDAY 25TH MARCH - PALM SUNDAY

10.30am* Parish Communion, Steep

11am** Holy Communion, Froxfield Green

Revd Joanna Farrell

READINGS

*Dramatized reading of the Gospel;

**Isaiah 50:4-9a; [Mark 14:1-15:1-39](#)

29TH MARCH - MAUNDY THURSDAY

7pm Holy Communion, High Cross with foot-washing and vigil until 8.30pm

READINGS

[Ctrl+click to hyperlink] [Exodus 12: 1-14](#); [John 13:1-17, 31b-35](#)

30TH MARCH - GOOD FRIDAY

10.30am Pilgrimage Walk Meet @ High Cross at 10.15am

2pm Last Hour of the Cross, Steep

SATURDAY 31ST MARCH - EASTER EVE

6pm First Communion of Easter, Stroud

Revd Joanna Farrell

SUNDAY 1ST APRIL - EASTER DAY

6.30am Dawn Communion, Froxfield Green

10am Parish Communion, Steep

11am Parish Communion, High Cross

Revd Joanna Farrell

READINGS

Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8

COLLECT

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

POST-COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a
servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our
salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

COLLECT AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER



PRAYERS FROM THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

The Most Revd Suheil Dawani Archbishop, Jerusalem and the Middle East, and Archbishop in Jerusalem;

The Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight, Peter Sutton; and the NHS Chaplaincies: *Queen Alexandra, Portsmouth* Chaplains Laura Cameron, John Detain (RC), Joe McNerney (RC) and Assistant Chaplains Dawn Banting, Sandra Edwards, Connie Sherman; *St Mary's, Isle of Wight* Chaplains Kelvin Burke, Janet Hallam, Diana Netherway; *Earl Mountbatten Hospice* Rosie Deedes; *Southern Health Care* Nick Fennemore; and *The Rowans Hospice* Carol Gully;

The parishioners and congregations of St Mary's, Liss, and their rector Chris Williams.

Lent 2018 2018 2018

Wednesday 28th at 12noon
The High House | Stroud GU32 3PN

Being Disciples: Essentials of the Christian Life Rowan Williams

Hosted by Jenny Sandys at her home, with Caroline Hilton, this group explores the final chapter, "Life in the Spirit" on Wednesday. Please let Jenny (262520) or Caroline (263460) know if you will be there.

COLLECT

God our Father,
your Son Jesus Christ was
obedient to the end
and drank the cup prepared for
him:
may we who share his table
watch with him through the night
of suffering
and be faithful.

MAUNDY THURSDAY



POST-COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful
sacrament you have given us
the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred
mysteries of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign,
now and for ever.

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Servant's Humiliation and Vindication

THE LORD GOD HAS GIVEN ME

the tongue of a teacher,
 that I may know how to sustain
 the weary with a word.
 Morning by morning he awakens—
 wakens my ear
 to listen as those who are taught.
 The Lord God has opened my ear,
 and I was not rebellious,
 I did not turn backwards.
 I gave my back to those who struck me,
 and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
 I did not hide my face
 from insult and spitting.
 The Lord God helps me;
 therefore I have not been disgraced;
 therefore I have set my face like flint,
 and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
 he who vindicates me is near.
 Who will contend with me?
 Let us stand up together.
 Who are my adversaries?
 Let them confront me.
 It is the Lord God who helps me;
 who will declare me guilty?
 All of them will wear out like a garment;
 the moth will eat them up.



THESE ARE THE "TREATS" the PACT Foodbank is currently short of, and hoping for this Easter, so that it can continue providing fresh food parcels to families and individuals in difficulties.



www.pact.org.uk/FoodBank

SALVATION ARMY/PACT PRAYER DAY - Wednesday 28th March, at the Salvation Army, Swan Street. 8am-8pm - please drop in at any time for any length of time.
www.pact.org.uk/PactPrayerCards.asp - a resource of 100 prayer cards for use at home, in church, privately, or in groups.

Mark 14:1-end; Mark 15:1-39

CTRL and Click on the heading above, to read the text of the reading, which contains:

- The Plot to Kill Jesus
- The Anointing at Bethany
- Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus
- The Passover with the Disciples
- The Institution of the Lord's Supper
- Peter's Denial Foretold
- Jesus Prays in Gethsemane
- The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus
- Jesus before the Council
- Peter Denies Jesus
- Jesus before Pilate
- Pilate Hands Jesus over to be Crucified
- The Soldiers Mock Jesus
- The Crucifixion of Jesus
- The Death of Jesus



CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL DEADLINES are THIS WEEK! If you would like to be on the Roll, or need to change any of your details, you need to complete a form (to be found in the churches at High Cross and Steep), by **26/3 (Froxfield and Privett)** and **29/3 (Steep and Stroud)**.

The baptism of **HENRY COLLINGWOOD**, which due to the snow was postponed, will take place next Sunday, 1st April, at Parish Communion, High Cross.



FROXFIELD CHOIR's Come and Sing Choral Classics, which was postponed because of the snow, will now take place **THIS SATURDAY, 24th MARCH** at the same time and place (2.30pm for the rehearsal and 6.30pm for the concert, at St Peter's, High Cross). £10 for singers, £5 for audience, payable on the day. They are greatly looking forward to seeing (and hearing) everyone there!



Stephen Rae (sbrae@btinternet.com/260571) still encourages regular Steep gift-aiders to register, making it easier to give, and more efficient to administer. If this is you, please ask Stephen for a form.

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WHERE OUR CHURCHES ARE ...

STEEP: GU32 2DD

STROUD: GU32 1AT

HIGH CROSS: GU32 1EQ

FROXFIELD GREEN: GU32 1DQ