

# The Benefice of Steep and Froxfield with Privett

NEWS SHEET

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019

⊕ The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent / Passiontide

## SERVICES FOR TODAY...

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

8am\* Holy Communion, Steep John Owen

9.30am\*\*&\*\*\*Parish Communion (shortened), High Cross John Owen

Please stay for the APCM immediately after.

10am\*\*\* The TenAM, Steep with baptism

Susie Collingridge

READINGS

\*From BCP \*\*Isaiah 43:16-21 \*\*\*John 12:1-8

## ...AND NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

5pm The FivePM, Froxfield Green

A Service of Communion to prepare for Holy Week

SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

8am\* Holy Communion, Steep John Owen

10.30am\*\* Benefice Communion, with Reading of the Passion Story, Steep John Owen

READINGS

\*from BCP \*\*Isaiah 50:4-9a

### 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.

### POST-COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

COLLECT AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER



PRAYERS FROM THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

### LET US PRAY FOR...

**The Church of Ireland**, The Most Revd Richard Lionel Clarke, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan;

**The Archdeacon of the Meon** Gavin Collins; and the officers of the Petersfield Deanery: Area Dean Jane Ball; Lay Chair Vanda Leary; Secretary Kate Lloyd-Jones; Treasurer Mark Turner; and Sub-warden of Readers Eleanor Childs;

**The parishioners and congregations** of the Churches of St Peter and St Paul, Hawkley, and Priors Dean, and their vicar Peter Sutton.



MAXWELL JAMES COLEMAN is being baptised today at the TenAM at All Saints', Steep.

Please pray for him, his parents Marie and Neil, and his godparents Cindy, Susan and James.

Do join in the celebration of baptism at the TenAM today which has plenty of linked activities for children.



2019 Lent rolUp Week 5

The pelican is a symbol of Christ's faithfulness and self-sacrifice. Faithfulness is the Fruit of the Spirit being focussed on this week. Caroline looks forward to your joining in the ever-changing weekly group discussions at her home. Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April, from 2pm to 3.30pm. Tel: 263460



### EVERYONE IS INVITED TO attend the Froxfield and Privett Annual Parochial Church Meeting

immediately after the (shortened) Parish Communion at 9.30am, High Cross today. This is an opportunity to have a voice in the way our parish church operates - and those registered on the church electoral roll (yes, remember that form we've been urged to complete...) can vote for church officers and motions put forward. The meeting lasts about an hour.



Steep and Stroud's Electoral Roll will be on display from 9<sup>th</sup> April - please do check your details. The APCM is on the 28<sup>th</sup> April.

**THUS SAYS THE LORD,**

who makes a way in the sea,  
 a path in the mighty waters,  
 who brings out chariot and horse,  
 army and warrior;  
 they lie down, they cannot rise,  
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
 Do not remember the former things,  
 or consider the things of old.  
 I am about to do a new thing;  
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
 I will make a way in the wilderness  
 and rivers in the desert.  
 The wild animals will honour me,  
 the jackals and the ostriches;  
 for I give water in the wilderness,  
 rivers in the desert,  
 to give drink to my chosen people,  
 the people whom I formed for myself  
 so that they might declare my praise.



**U**ring the Steep Primary School Easter Service, All Saints' bare Cross was dressed with flowers to express the joy of Easter. Both Church schools, at Froxfield and Steep, held well-attended end-of-term services in their parish churches.

**Mothering Sunday**  
*celebrated!*



**RESOUNDING PRAISE FOR THE** benefice service at High Cross: "What a delight to see so many families of all ages celebrating together...it was lovely to see the children so engaged...the activities looked great...you put in a lot of work...thank you to all who organised and were involved... *Sadly everyone was so engaged there was no time to take any photographs!*

**Mary Anoints Jesus**

**SIX DAYS BEFORE THE PASSOVER JESUS CAME** to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'



**STEEP WELCOME CLUB MEETS** this coming Thursday and they are in for a musical treat - *Mamma Mia 2* is being shown at Steep Village Hall. Please note the earlier starting time of 2pm. Contact Heather / 266855 or Judy / 267362 to book a seat.

**THE NEXT PACT MEN'S** Group is on Monday (8<sup>th</sup> April) at 7pm in The Salvation Army hall, Swan Street. The speaker is Josh Thomas, minister of Petersfield United Reformed Church, who also is the link-man between [Petersfield Community Radio](#) and [PACT](#). Supper will be Fish (or Pie) and Chips and you need to book, and place your food order, with John Studd (John@studd-mail.org) asap. More information on: [www.lcpmg.org.uk](http://www.lcpmg.org.uk)

**PRAYING ALTOGETHER** at Portchester Castle on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June is a Beacon Event across the diocese, bringing to a climactic close **Thy Kingdom Come's** ten days of prayer from Ascension Day to Pentecost.



**1-2.30pm: The big prayer picnic with family fun and interactive prayer tents**  
**2.30-4pm: The main prayer and worship event**

If you are interested in organising a group or teaming up with others, Edward Sadler has offered to co-ordinate. Please email him on [aesadler@btinternet.com](mailto:aesadler@btinternet.com).

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**Churchwardens:** Please see the *Froxfield and Privett Parish Magazine* and the *Steep and Stroud Newsletter*

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