

## Prayers

*We pray for grace to keep a Holy Lent.*

*We pray for:*

- Church** Our bishops David and Stephen.  
The work of the Miriam Dean Fund.  
The work of Church Army; the Officers in this diocese.
- World** Justice and respect for captured combatants in war.  
All who care for the countryside.
- Community** The Marlborough Jubilee Centre: its members and helpers.  
Grace that we may respond gladly and generously in our Christian Stewardship.  
The residents of Davies Close, Downs Lane and Ducks Meadow.
- In Need** Victims of earthquake, storm or flood.  
All Carers and Home helps: the work of Help the Aged.  
Those who suffer from permanent ill health.
- Departed** Jeremy Coulter, Michael Pearce and Carl Rice.

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

**14th March 2010**

*Mothering Sunday*

#### **ST. MARY'S, MARLBOROUGH**

8:00am Holy Communion  
10:00am All Age Service  
5:30pm Informal Worship (*observing 4th Sunday in Lent*)

#### **ST. GEORGE'S, PRESHUTE**

10:00am All Age Service

#### **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, MINAL**

8:00am Holy Communion



#### Readings:

*Joshua 5.9-12*  
*2 Corinthians 5.16-21*  
*Luke 15.1-3, 11b-32*

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**Marlborough  
Anglican Team**

**March 7th 2010**

**Third Sunday of Lent Readings:-**

*Isaiah 55.1-9    1 Corinthians 10.1-13*

*Luke 13.1-9*

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### March Diary Dates

Mon 8		
Tues 9	7:30am	MCT Prayers - Friends' Meeting House.
	8:00pm	Annual Lent Lecture at The Theatre on the Hill, St. John's School.
Wed 10	7:30am	Morning Prayers at St. Mary's.
	10:30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's.
	12:00pm	MCT Fraternal at Friends' Meeting House.
	7:30pm	Space for Lent at Christchurch.
Thurs 11	7:30pm	Bite Size Learning at Minal Village Hall - 'Sacred Art & The Bible'
	7:30pm	'Puritans in Marlborough' lecture in St Peter's Church.
Fri 12		
Sat 13	9:00am	Morning Prayers at St. George's.
	3:00pm	Hampshire Guitar Orchestra (HAGO) set up & rehearsal at St. Mary's.
	6:30pm	'Magic of the Mummy' Puppet Show at Minal Village Hall.
	7:45pm	HAGO 'Guitar Concert' at St. Mary's
		<i>Tickets available from White Horse Bookshop or KVAT: 516480.</i>

## General Notices

### 'SPACE FOR LENT' DATES

This year we are having a series of speakers addressing us during Lent who will be looking at different aspects of Christian living. This week:

**Wednesday, March 10th** 'Hospitality and Heart for the Poor' -

Ian and Els Jolly. (*All Meetings at Christchurch 7.30 - 9.30pm*)

- **"GLOBAL GOVERNANCE IN A WORLD TURNED UPSIDE DOWN"**



This year's Annual Marlborough Lent Lecture will take place on Tuesday, 9th March at 8.00pm. It will be given by Lord Kinnoch in the 'Theatre on the Hill' at St John's School, Marlborough. Admission is free but there will be a retiring collection.

- **Puritans in Marlborough - Belief & Background**

A lecture on religion in the 17th Century by Rt Revd Stephen Conway, Bishop of Ramsbury. St. Peter's Church, Thursday, 11th March, 7.30pm.

- **Magic of the Mummy** - Tales of Ancient Egypt a show for all the Family by Clydebuilt Puppet Theatre. Minal Village Hall, Saturday, 13th March, 6.30pm. For tickets ring: Susan on 512776 or Lynn 515187.

- **Marlborough Quaker's are holding an open evening on Poetry** as one of their 'Time to Talk' series on Wednesday, 17th March 7.30-9.00pm at Friends' Meeting House, The Parade Marlborough. All are warmly invited to join them. The evening will be led by Patrick Titman.

- **Bishop David's Sudan Appeal**

Bishop David is appealing for funds to assist in the rebuilding and refounding of Bishop Gwynne Theological College in Juba, Sudan. A copy of Bishop David's letter can be found on Church notice boards & gift aid forms are available in all our churches.

- **Film: Vanishing of the Bees**

Wednesday, March 17th, 8.00pm at St. Mary's Church Hall, Marlborough. An eye-opening account about our declining bee population. More information at: [www.climatepledge.org.uk](http://www.climatepledge.org.uk)

### Education Notices

- **God, War and The Bible:** *Can Old Testament views be reconciled with today's values?* This is an outstanding event in the Deanery Education Programme. The speaker is Mr Casey Strine of Christ Church, University of Oxford. Saturday, 13th March 10.30am - 12.30pm in St. George's Church, Preshute. All welcome.

- **The Lost Art of Singing the Psalms**

The Deanery Education Programme welcomes Trevor Jarvis of the Royal School of Church Music to give a practical workshop on Tuesday March 16th at 7.30 pm at Holy Cross Church, Chiseldon. Details from Ian.



- **MCT - Palm Sunday Service** Sunday, 28th March, 6.00pm at St Mary's. Theme: 'Stations of the Cross' with original paintings by Nigel Groom who will be joining us for this service.

- **'Stations of The Cross' by Nigel Groom**

A series of 14 paintings will be on view during Holy Week at St. Mary's. Volunteer wardens are required to cover opening times. If you would like to be involved, please contact Laura on 512357 alternatively, write your name in the hour slots on the A3 form at the back of St. Mary's Church.

### St. Mary's Information

- **St. Mary's Quiz Night & fish 'n' chip supper**

will be held on Friday, 19th March at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church Hall, Silverless Street. To reserve a place put your name on the list in church.

- **Mothering Sunday - 14th March.** The 10.00am service at St. Mary's will be non Eucharistic, with distribution of flowers. The 5.30pm Informal Worship on this day will observe the 4th Sunday of Lent.

- **USPG** - Jo Chandler has just returned from Swaziland. She was able to see Andrew and Rosemary our USPG workers there. Please pray for: Swaziland as corruption & injustice is increasingly causing suffering to the most vulnerable. Clergy will be motivated and empowered to implement the Life Skills training. A suitable new home for Andrew and Rosemary & strength to carry on. Funding for the farm project. Full recovery for Bishop Meshack after a hip replacement.

**Congratulation to Jonathan Rogers;** his busking at St. Mary's on the 21st February raised £65.50 for Haiti Disaster Appeal.

### St. George's Information

- **Christian Stewardship**

St George's annual Christian Stewardship renewal is being held during Lent. Please pray that many will respond gladly.

- **Mothering Sunday**

Our next All Age worship will be on Mothering Sunday, 14th March. There will be the usual distribution of flowers.

- **St George's Annual Report**

In the next week or so all households on the Electoral Roll should receive an Annual Report of the parish's activities in 2009 and it is hoped that you will find it informative. The reports form the basis of the Annual Parish Meeting's business on 25th March at the Church at 7.30pm when any member will have an opportunity to ask questions about the parish and our ministry here. Nominations for positions can be made on the board in church.

- **Traidcraft Stall**

Help those in developing countries by buying from the stall next Sunday.