

# MIDWEEK SERVICES

Thur 15<sup>th</sup> March

8.00am Morning Prayers & Bible Study St Michael's, Aldbourne  
10.00am Holy Communion Holy Cross, Ramsbury

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## NOTICES

- ❖ **SPARKLERS** – meet at 9.15am on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March** in St. Michael's Church, Aldbourne, older siblings and other children also very welcome.
  - ❖ **FROXFIELD LCC** – is at 7.00pm on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March**.
  - ❖ **KNITTING GROUP** - will meet at 55a, High Street, Ramsbury, from 2 pm. on **Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**. Plenty of sewing up to do. Enquiries, Estrid Eyles, 01672 520789.
  - ❖ **ALDBOURNE ALCM** – is at 12.15pm on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March** (after the 11.00am service) in St. Michael's Church, Aldbourne.
  - ❖ **KGVI** – the King George VI School & Centre for Disabled Children in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe is the chosen charity for St. Michael's Aldbourne for 2018. Come and join us on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** from 6.30-8.30, in St. Michael's Church, Aldbourne to celebrate, 60 years of their wonderful work. A free glass of wine and finger buffet – all donations to the Amandla Trust for KGVI. See leaflets in Church for more details.
  - ❖ **CAKE & COMPANY** – plans are underway to provide additional care and activities for the lonely (of any age) and the elderly in the Whitton area. The proposal is to work as “Churches Together” to provide “café-style” refreshments, “light touch” spiritual input and activities to anyone who wishes to come. The plan is to start in June, running on Monday mornings from 10.30-12noon in Aldbourne Methodist Hall. Initially it will be twice monthly on the first and third Mondays. If you feel you can help or have ideas for activities there is an open planning meeting on **27<sup>th</sup> March** at 2pm at 55a High Street, Ramsbury. All are welcome. More details can be found on the leaflets in Church.
  - ❖ **CALAIS** - I sometimes write articles about **refugees in Calais** which do not make it into Whitton Ways. From the comments received about what has appeared in the past I have decided to make these additional pieces available as pamphlets – a modern day pamphleteer – which I shall put into each Whitton church. *Duncan Croucher.*
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Deadline for Notices: 10.00am Thursday

Contact the Team Office ([teamoffice@whittonteam.org.uk](mailto:teamoffice@whittonteam.org.uk)/01672-520963) about forthcoming church events, or people to be added to the prayer list.

Office hours: 9.00am-1.00pm Mon & Thurs

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# **WHITTON BENEFICE**

Aldbourn, Baydon, Chilton Foliat, Froxfield, Ramsbury with Axford

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## **SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Mothering Sunday (Lent 4)**

*Ps 34: 11-20/Exodus 2: 1-10/Colossians 3: 12-17/Luke 2: 22-40*

8.00am	Ramsbury	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Baydon	Mothering Sunday Service
9.30am	Froxfield	Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am	Ramsbury	Mothering Sunday Service
11.00am	Aldbourn	Mothering Sunday Service
11.00am	Chilton Foliat	Holy Communion (Order 1)

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**Please pray** for **Rosabella Neilson** who is being baptised today at Holy Cross, Ramsbury.

**Please pray** for the pupils, staff and governors of St Nicholas School, Baydon.

**Please pray** for those who are sick or in pain, especially **John Plenderleith**.

**We remember** those who have died in faith, those whose faith is known only to God and we remember all those, the anniversary of whose death falls this week.

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## **Next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

*Ps 119: 9-16/Jeremiah 31: 31-34/Hebrews 5: 5-10/John 12: 20-33*

8.00am	Chilton Foliat	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Baydon	Matins
9.30am	Froxfield	Matins
9.30am	Ramsbury	Holy Communion (CW)
11.00am	Aldbourn	Holy Communion (CW)
4.00pm	Ramsbury	Evening Prayer (BCP)

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***Please take this leaflet home with you***

# 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Mothering Sunday

## **OLD TESTAMENT - Exodus 2: 1-10**

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him. Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" "Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

## **NEW TESTAMENT - Colossians 3: 12-17**

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him

## **GOSPEL - Luke 2: 22-40**

When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then responded to him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.



Mothering Sunday