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for the people of Ashburton,
Buckland-in-the-Moor
and Bickington



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**THE BENEFICE OF ASHBURTON, BICKINGTON, BUCKLAND IN THE MOOR, HOLNE,
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CORONAVIRUS - COVID 19 UPDATE

Please also be aware, the Church of England has issued guidance - face coverings are mandatory when attending church services (some exemptions apply). If you feel unable to wear a face covering, please let one of our team know, but remember you are very welcome.

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And so, we arrive again at March but wow, hasn't it felt like a long drag through January and February this year!

In the church, we have just entered the period of Lent and traditionally it is a time when Christians give up a luxury such as chocolate, or alcohol, or using social media. The idea behind this 'fast' is to prepare spiritually for Easter and for Holy Week by focusing on Jesus rather than worldly things. But for many people, giving up something during lockdown, when we are already deprived of so much, probably feels like a step too far this year.

In recent years, there has been a trend to turn the idea of 'giving something up' for Lent on its head, and instead people are challenged to 'take something up' for Lent, something that has a positive impact on you or those around you. Ideas such as:

- fill a bag each day to donate – of clothes to a charity; of sweets to a child; of seeds to be planted... (thanks to Muddy Church www.muddychurch.co.uk)
- start listening to a podcast each day while on your daily walk (the Live Lent app could be a good place to start [#LiveLent 2021 church resources: God's Story, Our Story | The Church of England](#))
- make a commitment to bless, nurture and appreciate the natural world – litter-pick your street; create a bird feeder; photograph the same tree each day and see it spring into life as Easter comes closer.
- Begin a daily doodle diary. Choose a different bible verse each day and draw the 'key message' it contains while reflecting on what it means personally.

This lockdown could almost be thought of as an extended period of Lent – we have been deprived of so many things that we would usually have the freedom to choose to do. It has caused many to re-evaluate their own sense of spirituality and what they want from the church community. But, of course, the great thing about Lent, is the joyous celebration that comes at the end and hopefully, the end of our 'Lockdown Lent' will be the same. So, with that in mind, here's an uplifting 'end of lockdown' party song: 'Oh

Happy Day!' to liven up the rest of your lockdown days. <https://youtu.be/GirtiPZRZeg> Hopefully it won't be too long until we can all dance to it together.

Heidi

lent

Journey to the Cross

THE THINGS HE CARRIED

The Lent Course on
Wednesdays 7.30-9pm
via Zoom'

Continuing the Lent Course:

3rd March	His Followers' disappointments
10th March	The hopes of God
17th March	The sins of the world
24th March	Our sorrows and a broken heart



Based on the book written by Stephen Cottrell, the Archbishop of York

More details to come

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General Note:

We make every effort to ensure that information contained in this magazine is accurate at the time of printing. Please be aware that changes may occur later.

Editor

EDITORIAL

I have just watched, admittedly with slightly damp eyes, a duet of “The Lord’s my Shepherd” sung by Aled Jones and this year’s Choirboy of the Year. It was delightful to watch and hear, and especially appreciate the boy’s competence and confidence. It was also an example of the benefit of having an Independent Broadcasting company which doesn’t need endless advertising breaks.

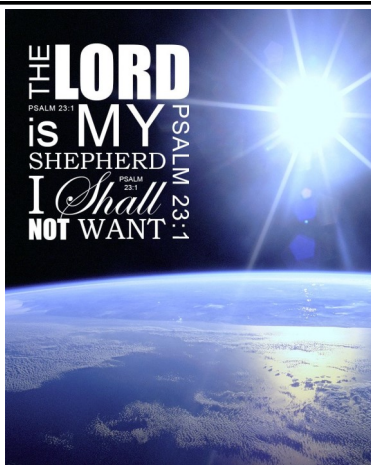
Like a lot of us, we have now separately had our first anti-Covid injections. I can honestly say I did not feel a thing, but did get rather worried whilst waiting to be told that I could leave. With my reading glasses on, I couldn’t read the information paper I was given without my glasses steaming up. Also, I didn’t know how to find my way out.

Happily, I was pointed in the right direction and helped to find where the car was parked. Altogether, a very well-organised and impressive set-up.

Thank God for all these wonderful people.

Keep Safe.

Judith



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Bible Readings for March

**The Reading is taken from St. Mark's Gospel
Chapter 11, verses 1-11**



Jesus comes to Jerusalem as King

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here.

If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL.

It is time for us to review and update the Church Electoral Roll. If you are already on the roll and wish to remain you do not need to do anything. If you are not sure if your name is included there is a list in Church for you to check or you can contact me as below. If you are not on the roll and wish to be included again there are forms in Church or contact me and I can e-mail an application form to you.

Many Thanks.

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A TALE OF TWO TOWERS

Ashburton's two town towers at St Andrew's Church and St Lawrence Chapel both had problems in February caused by the storms this winter, which needed special expertise to put right.

At St ANDREW'S CHURCH a section of rainwater pipe about 20 feet long which takes rainwater from the tower roof dislodged and fell onto the north aisle roof. Because of its very awkward location a firm who specialises in difficult situations West Access Conservation, were asked to abseil down from the top of the very high tower to relocate the rainwater pipe and re-fix it in place. I am pleased to say that the operation was successful.

For those who asked, they did wear face masks, but only while climbing the steps inside the tower!



At St LAWRENCE CHAPEL during the severe storm on Boxing Day night, an 8 foot length of heavy lead flashing was torn from the spire and landed in the adjoining garden. Fortunately no-one was hurt.

The same firm, West Access Conservation, were employed to re-locate and re-fix the length of flashing. This was successfully completed but an inspection of all the spire coverings showed that they needed taking apart and re-fixing or replacing. This includes all the spire lead flashings, the slate finish on the spire, the battens below the flashings which were completely rotten, as was some of the timber boarding enclosing the spire below the finishes. West Access Conservation were asked to return and to strap the tower as a temporary measure to stop anything else falling from the spire. All the above work was carried out via ladders hoisted up the outside of the tower and rested against the spire. Not a job for the faint hearted, especially since it rained most of the time.

This temporary strapping will remain in place until sufficient funds are raised to carry out permanent repairs.

Brian Lewis





MESSY CHURCH ENVELOPES March 2021

This month we sent out envelopes to over 40 children. It was an exciting project. Norma had chosen the story of Rhoda, a little girl who recognised Peter's voice at the door, but in her excitement didn't open the door. An angel had just let Peter out of jail, and he needed a safe place to hide. Rhoda was in the house where a group of Christians had gathered to pray for his release. She ran to tell the Christians that Peter was outside. They told her she was crazy and that he could not be outside, because he was in prison! Do you ever pray for things and then when they happen you can't quite believe it? I need to have faith that my prayers will be answered.



At the Messy Church Zoom this week we talked about what sort of prayers we thought God might answer? These could be a Green prayer; Amber prayers we weren't sure if they would be answered; and prayers like "give me a Ferrari car now" was a definite Red prayer. This quiz was not as easy as we thought it would be!

We did decide that all our prayers are stronger if we pray together. This was illustrated by the paper chain prayer, each link having a word like PEACE or HELP or LOVE on it. The rocket craft we made helped to send our prayers straight up to God as you go for a walk!



I would like to say thank you to the amazing team that make the Messy Church Envelopes possible. Everyone brings their ideas and make the crafts and photographs them. Heidi then spends a couple of hours photocopying everything. After which I collate them and address them and put them in the post.

Can I please add this thought for the month? If you are accused of being crazy like Rhoda because you have a friend called Jesus, remember you are not alone. When you pray to God you are part of the Christian family worldwide which numbers 2.400 billion. You are part of an excessively big family that grew from this small gathering of Christians who prayed for Peter.

"The fullness of Joy is to behold God in everything." Julian of Norwich.

Jane



Explore from your door



CELEBRATE WHAT'S ON YOUR DOORSTEP AND #ExploreFromYourDoor

We live in a beautiful part of the world and now is a good time to view your local area from a different perspective and enjoy what is right on your front doorstep.

Alongside our public sector partners, we're encouraging everyone in Devon to stay local for their daily exercise and #ExploreFromYourDoor. Whether you live in a city, town or village, take time to appreciate the things you wouldn't notice in the car and maybe discover something new about where you live.

We offer some useful resources to help you get outside in your local area:

Where will you discover? Use our public rights of way website and interactive map to plan a route. <https://www.devon.gov.uk/prow/>

Our Explore Devon website <https://www.explored Devon.info/> is filled with some amazing walks, trails and sites to visit during lockdown on foot, bike or horseback; just remember to stay local for exercise.

If you live within walking or cycling distance of the seaside, why not discover the South West Coastal Path. <https://www.southwestcoastpath.org.uk/>

Get outside safely and search by activity and location using GetOutside from Ordnance Survey. <https://getoutside.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/covid/>

Their website brings together current advice from the government, local authorities and other outdoor organisations to help you decide where to go and what to do.

Discover a great new way to get outside with your family with a treasure trail. <https://www.treasuretrails.co.uk/things-to-do/devon>

You can also find more cycle routes and trails, as well as other useful travel information at Travel Devon. <https://www.traveldevon.info/>

Whether it's the first signs of spring, a new walking route or a spectacular sunset, we'd love to see what you have discovered, use **#ExploreFromYourDoor** on social media to get involved. <https://www.instagram.com/explore/tags/explorefromyourdoor/>

***Whilst positive case numbers in Devon have recently fallen,
we must continue to comply with rules.***





Coronavirus (COVID-19) response update from Devon County Council

4-STEP PLAN TO EASE LOCKDOWN

The government's roadmap, which has been [published in full on their website](#), outlines four steps for easing restrictions. MPs will vote on it in late March. Although there are dates given for each step, the government has warned that they are subject to change.

Monday, 8th March 2021

Schools open for everyone - all primary and secondary school pupils and college students will return to face-to-face teaching, with before and after-school clubs reopening. Secondary school pupils and college students will receive twice-weekly COVID-19 testing and wear masks in class. Higher Education students at English universities on practical courses can also return.

Outdoor recreation - people can meet one other person from outside their household or support bubble for outdoor recreation such as a coffee or picnic on a park bench, in addition to exercise. (Children count towards this). However, people identified as being 'clinically extremely vulnerable' are advised to continue shielding until the end of March.

Care home visitors - care home residents will be able to nominate a named visitor who can see them regularly provided they are tested and wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

Everyone should still stay at home as much as possible.

Monday 29 March

Outdoor gatherings - evidence shows that it is safer for people to meet outdoors rather than indoors, so from 29 March, when most schools start to break up for the Easter holidays, outdoor gatherings (including in private gardens) of either up to six people or two households, socially distanced, will be allowed.

Outdoor sports - outdoor sports facilities such as tennis and basketball courts, and open-air swimming pools, can reopen, and people will be able to take part in formally organised outdoor sports.

The 'stay at home' order will end on 29 March but many restrictions will remain in place.

Travel outside the local area is allowed, but people are encouraged not to go too far.

People should continue to work from home where they can and minimise the number of journeys they make where possible, avoiding travel at the busiest times and routes.

Monday 12 April

Non-essential retail - non-essential shops and personal care premises such as hairdressers and nail salons can reopen.

Outdoor hospitality - pubs and restaurants can reopen outdoor tables and beer gardens for households and groups of up to six people. Customers will have to be seated but there will be no need to have a meal with alcohol and no curfew.

Indoor leisure facilities - gyms and swimming pools will reopen, but only for people to use alone or with members of their household.

Outdoor attractions - places like zoos and theme parks will reopen with social distancing rules and limits on outdoor mixing.

Holidays - self-contained holiday accommodation (including campsites), where indoor facilities are not shared with others can reopen for individuals and household groups only.

Public buildings - libraries and community centres can reopen with social distancing measures and no indoor mixing between households.

Life events - up to 15 people can attend weddings, receptions and commemorative events such as wakes.

Monday 17 May

Outdoor gatherings - most legal restrictions on meeting others outdoors will be lifted, although gatherings of over 30 people will remain illegal.

Meeting indoors - the rule of six or two households will apply indoors, both in public places and at home.

Hugging - the government will update the advice on social distancing between friends and family, including hugging. But until this point, people should continue to keep their distance from anyone not in their household or support bubble.

Indoor hospitality - pubs and restaurants will reopen their indoor areas. They will not have to serve a substantial meal with alcoholic drinks, nor will there be a curfew, but customers will have to order, eat and drink while seated.

Indoor entertainment - venues such as cinemas and children's play areas can reopen.

Holidays - the rest of the accommodation sector, including hotels, hostels and B&Bs can open.

Life events - up to 30 people can attend weddings, receptions, funerals, wakes and other life events such as bar mitzvahs and christenings.

Exercise - indoor adult group sports and exercise classes can take place.

Businesses reopen - most businesses in all but the highest risk sectors will be able to reopen. In all sectors, COVID-Secure guidance will remain in place and businesses may not cater for groups bigger than the legal limits. (30 outside and rule of six or two households inside)

Large organised events - sporting events, concerts, theatres and conferences can go ahead with capacity limits.

No earlier than Monday 21 June

Social contact - the government hopes to be in a position to remove all legal limits on social contact.

Businesses - remaining businesses such as nightclubs can reopen.

Life events - legal limits on the number of people attending life events such as weddings and funerals are lifted.

Large events - restrictions on large events and performances eased.

Holidays - international travel permitted.

For now...

As we move through each of these phases in the roadmap, we must all remember that COVID-19 remains a part of our lives.

For the time being, we are going to have to keep living our lives differently to keep ourselves and others safe.

For now...we must: Carry on with 'hands, face, space'.

Comply with the current lockdown restrictions.

Get tested when needed.

Get vaccinated when offered.

ASHBURTON & MOORLAND TEAM

Upcoming Services

MARCH 2021

SUN 7TH	9AM	HOLY COMMUNION, BICKINGTON	
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	10.30AM	UNITED MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE	
		ONLINE ONLY	
SUN 21TH	9AM	SUNDAY@9AM ALL-AGE SERVICE, ONLINE	
	10.30AM	PARISH COMMUNION, ASHBURTON	
	3PM	HOLY COMMUNION, BUCKLAND	
SUN 28TH	9AM	BREAKFAST CHURCH, ONLINE	
	10.30AM	PALM SUNDAY PARISH COMMUNION + DONKEY, ASHBURTON + ONLINE	
	5PM	HOLY COMMUNION, HOLNE	

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Parish News Dates for your Diary

12 March

DEADLINE FOR APRIL

It was one
of those
March
days when the sun shines hot
and the
wind blows cold:
when it is summer in the *light,*
and winter in the
shade.

~Charles Dickens

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POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

On the 6th of May this year people will have the opportunity to vote for their choice of Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. This is an important post as it is the role for the provision of our policing.

The Police and Social Responsibility Act 2012 (all 116 pages of it) abolished the then Police Authorities and replaced them with a single Commissioner. Unlike Police Commissioners in the USA the holder of the post does not have any Policing powers and there are safeguards in the Act to ensure the operational independence of the Chief Constable in all matters in relation to the deployment of his or her resources and officers.

The Commissioner together with the Chief Constable has to draw up a Police and Crime Plan which reflects the Policing concerns of the public and on which the Chief Constable can be held to account. The Commissioner has to set the budget and determine the council tax precept. He or she has to appoint the Chief Constable and when necessary dismiss that person and also publish an annual report.

The Office of the Commissioner and those specific tasks are overseen by a Police and Crime Panel made up of local councillors. They have to approve the budget, the Police and Crime Plan and the appointment of a Chief Constable.

The Commissioner has to administer a separate fund designed for supporting victim support in all its forms together with safeguarding and some re-hab programmes. This requirement is laid out in the Police and Crime Commissioner's Code of Conduct.

The successful candidate will have to swear an oath of impartiality in the discharge of his or her stewardship of the role.

The vote itself on the day is based on the AV model (alternative vote) where a 2nd choice can be made. If a candidate doesn't get more than 50% in the first count the second choices of the lowest scoring candidate are also counted and so on until a candidate gets more than 50%.

To summarise the Police and Crime Commissioner is your directly elected representative regarding policing in your area and has a duty to ensure effective policing.

It may be prudent to apply to your local authority for a postal vote if you have concerns about polling in person.

Brian Blake Lib Dem Candidate for Police and Crime Commissioner

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

by kind courtesy of BBC Good Food Guide

Prep: 10 mins
Cook: 40 mins
plus chilling

A simple but very impressive pud, light enough to have a slice to finish a big meal.

Cuts into 10 slices

LUSCIOUS LEMON BAKED CHEESE CAKE

Ingredients:

225g digestive biscuits
100g butter, melted
250g tub mascarpone
600g soft cheese
2 eggs, plus 2 yolks
zest 3 lemons, juice of 1
4 tbsp plain flour
175g caster sugar

For the topping

½ a 284ml pot soured cream
3 tbsp lemon curd
handful raspberries, to serve (optional)



Method:

1. Heat oven to 180C/fan 160C/gas 4. Line the bottom of a 23cm springform tin with greaseproof paper. Tip the biscuits and melted butter into a food processor, then blitz to make fine crumbs. Press into the tin and chill.
2. Whisk all the other ingredients in a large bowl until completely combined, pour into the tin, then bake for 35-40 mins until the cheesecake has a uniform wobble.
3. Turn off the oven and leave the cake inside until cool. When it is completely cooled, remove from the tin and top with soured cream. Swirl lemon curd over the top and decorate with raspberries, if you like.

MED THEATRE'S 2021 ANNUAL COMMUNITY PLAY

'*The Magistrate*' will see a large community cast on trial for their war-time actions and reactions. This episodic play is based on true accounts from local people who lived through The Second World War on Dartmoor, and continues MED Theatre's decades long tradition of producing new original plays inspired by local people and history. Depending on government guidelines at the time, the play will be performed live at Manaton and Moretonhampstead parish halls in March 2021, or converted into a recorded production. '*The Magistrate*' is part of MED Theatre's *Dartmoor Devon and World War Two*-project, supported by The National Lottery Heritage Fund.



Visit www.medtheatre.co.uk for most recent updates regarding dates and venues for performances.

MED Theatre is also delighted to announce the continuation of its monthly Mothers Who Make peer support meetings after a successful pilot project with this growing national network. If you are interested in a network of women who are mothers and makers from the Dartmoor area, please get in contact with us. We welcome all mothers (to-be, bereaved, grandmothers, step, adoptive..) who consider themselves makers (professional and/or just passionate, in any discipline - writers, painters, performers, film makers, dancers, producers, musicians, cooks, crafters, sculptors...).

To join our next meeting on THURSDAY 4th MARCH, 1-2.30pm,
email abbystobart@medtheatre.co.uk

The meetings will be held on Zoom, until able to gather in person again.



This is probably the most difficult month of the year in terms of writing gardening

articles. The weather has usually prevented much in the way of outdoor work, it's too early to plant most things and just a bit early for most flowering plants.

I've usually commented on the weather. This year as I write we are coming to the end of a bitterly cold spell with a fair bit of rain forecast for the coming week. I have ventured out a few times over the past month and got a few jobs done. I have turned most of the compost heap, a job that hadn't been done for far too long. I need one more session and then I should get down to the usable compost. I have also taken the old leaves off the hellebores. This is something which can be done at any time from the end of the growing season as it reduces the amount of hellebore leaf spot disease being carried on the leaves. November is said to be the best time but I'm afraid I always tend to leave it until the flowers start coming through, which they are now doing.

I do the same with the epimediums (also known unromantically as barrenwort).



These are low-growing plants with heart-shaped leaves that may be tinted or veined with red or

bronze. In spring, small, dainty, star-like flowers, in a choice of colours, are produced on slender branched stems. They may not be bold and showy, but they have a delicate beauty, especially those like *Sulphureum*, which has lovely pale lemon yellow flowers. What makes them valuable is that they can thrive in dry shade as mine do. But you do need to cut back the old leaves in spring before new foliage appears, or the flowers tend to get hidden. Done that!

A real surprise this year, especially in view of the weather is this



lovely camellia. It's a plant we inherited when we moved here 15 years ago and it has flowered reliably every year, despite being on the north side of the house, in less than ideal

growing conditions. It shouldn't be in flower quite as early as this and I can't believe that it has survived the frosts of the past week. It's a joy.

Another job that I have managed to do is to clean the greenhouse glass and the heated trays. There are more pots and trays to do and I must tackle those before the sowing season starts in a week or so. The sweet peas will be first, then the tomatoes, then a succession of annuals, followed by the dahlia tubers which I lifted, together with several new ones which I'm waiting to be delivered. (Of course this winter when I decided to leave most of my dahlias in the ground, would turn out to be the coldest for several years! I think they will be OK.)

I welcome most wildlife into the garden but I draw the line at rats. We currently have a pair which have established themselves near one of the bird-feeding stations and I'm afraid I've called in the rat-man to deal with them. I'll keep you posted.

Brian Smith

The Sunday before Easter.

It is celebrated to commemorate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, five days before his Crucifixion.

On that occasion, the people of Jerusalem laid palm leaves in his path as a sign of welcome.



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PALM SUNDAY
Sunday,
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So they took
branches of palm trees
and went out to meet him,
shouting, "Hosanna!
Blessed is the one
who comes
in the name
of the Lord!"

John 12.13



ONE YEAR ON



it was just over a year ago that the WHO discussed the coronavirus that was starting to spread around the world. None of us could have foreseen the devastating effect on our world, with over 80 million people infected and nearly two million deaths. How has the pandemic challenged our faith, as we look back over the last year?

Firstly, it has forced us to face up to the **reality of our situation**. We cannot underestimate the health, social and economic effects of the virus on our lives, churches and communities. We have learned how to do church online, but the future shape of church life is uncertain!

As the apostle Paul writes: *'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus' (2 Cor 4:8-10).*

The pandemic has challenged so much of what we take for granted, but also demonstrated that God is alongside to help us in these circumstances.

Secondly, alongside the fear and uncertainty of this year, we have also learned to find **new faith and hope in Jesus**. The experience of Jesus' death and His resurrection provides a pattern for us in facing the future: *'so that His life may also be revealed in our mortal body. So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.'* (2 Cor 4:10-12).

During the season of Lent, as we anticipate the events at Easter, it's good to focus on the promise of sharing in the death and resurrection of Jesus. As we consider our present struggles, are we ready to surrender them to Jesus? May the hope of Easter Day take us forward into the coming year.





March

A Spike of Green

When I went out
The sun was hot
It shone upon
My flower pot.
And there I saw
A spike of green
That no one else
Had ever seen!
On other days
The things I see
Are mostly old
Except for me.
But this green spike
So new and small
Had never yet
Been seen at all!

Barbara Baker

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CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, 7th March
09.00 am

HOLY
COMMUNION



*Mothering
Sunday*

Sunday, 14th March
UNITED MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE

Online Only



Sunday, 28th March

Online

Parish Communion
+ Donkey
10.30am

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BUCKLAND-IN-THE-MOOR



Flower Rota for MARCH

March 7th Gabriel

March 14th Gabriel

CHURCH SERVICES

BUCKLAND-IN-THE-MOOR CHURCH

Sunday 21st March
3pm HOLY COMMUNION



Sunday 14th March
UNITED MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE
online only



Sunday, 28th March
Online Parish Communion + Donkey

10.30am

Face coverings are to be worn

UP AND RUNNING



The books to borrow or purchase together with the jigsaws to borrow is up and running in the far corner of our church. Do go in; hand equipment provided in the entrance, and help yourself.

However, the quantity of jigsaws to borrow and return is low. If you have one or two that you no longer use, perhaps you might like to consider donating them for the use of fellow parishioners. They can be left under the pews that house the books, or put behind the font—they will soon be picked up and displayed. Thank you.



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Please advise us if you think anything needs to be changed or if you have ideas for additional useful numbers.

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