

11<sup>th</sup> March 2018

WELCOME

Mothering Sunday

to

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



### 9.45 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST AND DISTRIBUTION OF POSIES

Introit Hymn	<i>Our Father God</i>	Offertory Hymn	253
Gradual Hymn	238 Omit *	Communion Hymn	519
	Final Hymn	507	

Communion Setting : *Halesworth*

Readings : *Colossians 3 vv 12-17*  
*John 2 vv 13-22 (Gospel)*

Reader : Mary Bucknell

Intercessions : Ellen Smyth

Sidesmen : Christine Shelton and Ellen Smyth

Tea & Coffee : Beryl Field and Beryl Fletcher

*Everyone is invited into the Social Room for refreshments after the morning service.*

### 1.00 p.m. ETHIOPIAN CHURCH SERVICE

### 4.30 p.m. EVENSONG

Psalms	13, 14
First Lesson	<i>Exodus 6 vv 2-13</i>
Office Hymn	<i>O Christ who art the light and day</i>
Second Lesson	<i>Romans 5 vv 1-11</i>
Hymns	109, 428

*The music played before and after the services is offered as part of our worship. Please use it respectfully as a time of preparation before and reflection after the service.*

## Collects

God Compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Reflection - Motherhood

Mary used to take hold of his hand and lead him along the roads, saying 'My sweet son walk a little', just as all other babies are taught to walk.

And he, Jesus, God himself, happily followed her.

He clung to her with his fingers, stopping from time to time, and hanging on to the skirts of his mother Mary, he on whom the whole universe depends.

He would look up into her face, and she would catch him up to her breast, and walk along with him in her arms.

*St. Cyril of Alexandria, 5<sup>th</sup> Century*

## NEXT WEEK

(See also Notice Board at side of Main Door for midweek service details etc.)

<b>Tuesday</b>	3.00 p.m.	Tuesday afternoon Talk and Tea Lent Group
	4.30 p.m.	Church open until 6 p.m. with Evening Prayer at approx. 5.15 p.m.
	7.30 p.m.	P.C.C. Meeting in the Social Room preceded by a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel at 7 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	2.30 p.m.	Community Tea – please see separate note
	4.30 p.m.	Church open until 6 p.m. with Evening Prayer at approx. 5.15 p.m.
	7.00 p.m.	Wednesday evening Discussion and Dessert Lent Group
<b>Thursday</b>	4.30 p.m.	Church open until 6 p.m. with Evening Prayer at approx. 5.15 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>	7.30 p.m.	Choir Practice
	8.45 p.m.	Compline
<b>Sunday</b>	9.45 a.m.	Family Eucharist
		Readings : <i>Jeremiah 31 vv 31-34</i>
		<i>Hebrews 5 vv 5-10</i>
		<i>John 12 vv 20-33</i>

## NEXT WEEK (Cont.)

Sunday  
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Reader : Charlotte Beer  
Intercessions : John Cawrey  
Sidesmen : Pat Gregory and Linda Mackay  
Tea & Coffee : Charlotte and Chris Beer  
4.30 p.m. Evensong  
First Lesson : *Exodus 7 vv 8-24*  
Second Lesson : *Romans 5 vv 12-end*

### Easter Flowers

If you would like a lily in the Easter flowers in memory of a loved one pleased give your donation in an envelope together with the name of the person to be remembered to Pam Storer, Canon Elaine or either of the Churchwardens. Thank you.

### Update from Pat Hanson

Her son's, Steve, boiler has now been fixed. His partner, Alan, had been diagnosed as having Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy and was unable to do anything for himself with the pain being controlled with morphine. Further tests at the hospital have revealed that a treatment for Alan's condition has been found. He will have a special injection administered at first by the hospital and then by Steve followed by rehab to restore his wasted muscles. There is a long way ahead but hope. Pat thanks everyone at St. John's for their support and prayers at this time.

### St. John's 200 Club Big Draw

The new competition started on 25<sup>th</sup> February. It is not, however, too late to join if you are not already a member. Please see Maralyn Wilkinson for details.

### Lent Groups on Tuesdays and Wednesdays

The two Lent Groups are using a booklet entitled 'Live Lent – Let your light shine'. If you have not yet received a copy of the booklet please see either Canon Elaine or Maureen Jenkins.

### Flower Rota

The new Flower Rota for 2018 is on the notice board in the Social Room. Please sign up on the rota if you would like to provide flowers for any Sunday. If you would like to know more of what it involves please see Pam Storer.

### Saturday Drop-In

Thank you to those who have already volunteered for the Drop-In. There are, however, still some vacancies on the rota between April and September. **In the near future we particularly need someone to serve tea, coffee etc. on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> April.** If you can help please enter your name in the appropriate box. Thank you.

## ADVANCE NOTICES

### **Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 p.m. P.C.C. Meeting**

This will be held in the Social Room and be preceded at 7.00 pm. by a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.

### **Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2.30 p.m. Community Tea**

This will be held, as usual, in the Social Room. Please inform others who may not see the weekly Notices.

### **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 p.m. The Fourteen Stations of the Cross**

This is a performance of Alan Ridout's Suite for Organ, interspersed with devotional poetry readings. Andrew Storer will be playing the organ.

### **Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday**

9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist with Palm Procession and Reading of the Passion  
This service will start at the Headless Cross on Friar Gate near the Laundrette. For those who are unable to walk that distance please come to church and wait for the Procession to arrive.

3.00 p.m. Messy Church

**N.B. There will be NO evening service.**

### **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 7.00 p.m. for 7.15 p.m. Holy Week Film Night**

This will be the second part of the 'Jesus of Nazareth' dvd starring Robert Powell.

### **Maundy Thursday**

11.00 a.m., Diocesan Eucharist and Blessing of Oils **at Derby Cathedral.**  
Please inform Canon Elaine if you would like to attend.

6.00 p.m. Passover Supper in the Social Room

7.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist with footwashing

### **Good Friday**

10.00 a.m. Informal Family Service

2.00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

### **Easter Day**

9.45 a.m. Sung Eucharist

6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong

### **Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> August 9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist**

As part of our celebrations for the 190<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the consecration of St. John's, the Bishop of Lichfield, the Rt Revd Michael Igrave, OBE, will preach at the morning service.

## **The Mission of St. John's Church**

To be a caring community striving to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ;  
sharing in the love of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;  
and to love our neighbour, having the Eucharist at the centre of our worship