

Revision of General Vestry Register

This took place at the February Select Vestry meeting. Nine names were removed, either through death or through leaving the parish and the following nine names were added,

Joyce Abels, Karen Canavan, Bruce Edwards, Sally-Anne Edwards, Flora Fu, Lynn Harley, Joscelyn Long, Peter McAllister and Tom Tate.

Gift Day

All parishioners will have received a letter from the Select Vestry concerning the financial state of the parish. We thank those who have very generously made contributions to help with the problem of cash flow that has led to us reaching our overdraft limit set by the bank.

There will be special 'Gift Day' services on 13th March at which we will encourage support from all for continuing the parish's outreach in the present difficult times and setting this in a context, not just of 'balancing the books' but within the spiritual context of passing on the Gospel to our society and to the next generation

Holy Week and Easter

As in previous years there will be a series of evening services at 8.00 pm following a theme drawn from the events of Holy Week. This year it will be 'Jesus, women and the Cross', and a list of preachers will be circulated nearer the time.

Subjects will be

- Monday: Supper in Bethany
- Tuesday: The woman who washed his feet
- Wednesday: Pilate's wife
- Thursday: The women of Jerusalem
- Friday: Mary, mother of the Lord, at the foot of the Cross

There will also be Holy Communion at 7.30 am Mon-Thurs, a children's service in St Doulagh's on Good Friday at 10.00 am and the Holy Hour service at 2.00 pm

On Easter Day the first service will be at 6.00 am in St Doulagh's, at which we remind ourselves that Easter celebrates the discovery of the resurrection as dawn broke over Jerusalem. There will also be services of Holy Communion at the usual times of worship: Easter, along with Christmas and Pentecost is a day when all communicant Anglicans are expected to receive the Holy Communion and we look forward to large congregations!

The date of the next meeting will be announced later but will be in the evening.

Service of the Word

If this venture is well received and supported, it will become a regular fixture in the monthly round of worship, and the evening service pattern will be readjusted.

Why the 2nd Sunday? Well, quite simply there are so many 1st weekend bank holidays that any pattern would soon become broken!



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