

Rota for This Week

Door, Welcome & Collection: Ann Battersby & Lis Page
Reader: Douglas Clare
Intercessions: Dennis Piper
Elements: Lynne Borret & Dennis Bambury

Coffee: Ann Flute & Lizann Murray-Clarke
Cleaning: Marylin Smith & Tessa Gladders

Services Next Week

10.30. a.m. **Wednesday 7th March**
Holy Communion Bampton

Services for Sunday 11th March 2018 Mothering Sunday

9.15 am Holy Communion Clanfield
9.30 am Family service (Lay-led) Aston
10.30 am Sung Eucharist Bampton

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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BAMPTON

4TH MARCH 2018

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Introit Hymn: 556

Praise the Lord! Ye heavens adore him

The Collect:

Almighty God,
Whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
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.

Old Testament:

Exodus 20: 1-17

Psalm:

Psalm 19: v7-end

7. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the simple.
8. The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure
and gives light to the eyes.
9. The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
10. More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter also than honey,
dripping from the honeycomb.
11. By them also is your servant taught
and in keeping them there is great reward
12. Who can tell how often they offend?
O cleanse me from my secret faults!

13. Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins
less they get dominion over me;
so shall I be undefiled,
and innocent of great offence.
14. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The Epistle: **1 Corinthians 1: 18-25**

Gradual Hymn: 214 **Disposer supreme, and Judge of the earth**

Gospel Reading: **John 22: 13-22**

Offertory Hymn: 121 **Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle**

Communion Anthem: **Steal Away**

Prayer after Communion:

Merciful Lord,
Grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and
the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final Hymn: 505 **Lord Jesus Christ**

Notices

- Today's service is led by **Revd. Preb. Mark Thomas**
- The funeral of **Mr Robert Brooks** will take place on **Friday 9th March** at
1.00 pm
- **Friday 9th March** — Blessed Bees 
- The Ecumenical Lent Course continues in the Methodist Church, Bridge Street,
on **Wednesday 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm**. Newcomers welcome.
- During the period **12-16th March** we will be having our 5 year electrical safety
inspection and there may be access restrictions when services are not under
way.



TODAY - MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church takes place **Today!** We will be considering how Jesus welcomed the children. Everybody is welcome to join us at 3-5 pm. Messy Church would appreciate any donations of food for tea please. If you feel you would like to help in this way there is a list of items required on the table as you go out.

Save the Children Fund- Syrian Refugees

Concern has been expressed for the plight of the refugees. In response the BCCC has agreed that a collection can be taken at the Service of Reflection in the week before Easter. Envelopes will be made available throughout Lent and can be placed in any collection up to Easter. If giving up chocolate for Lent is what you do, why not give some of the money saved and as you do so think of Jesus' love for the outsider.

Thank You!

Our church functions through the efforts of many volunteers and one in particular I must single out for our thanks is Barrie Gray. Barrie has, with great skill, completed the refurbishment of five damaged Pews, that are now able to be put to use, in time for our forthcoming Music in Country Churches concert and other summer events. I witnessed the scope of the work which was in some cases extensive – thank you Barrie.

Douglas J Clare – Churchwarden

Home Communion: We have now purchased a Home Communion Set for the Church and the reserved sacrament is set aside each month for Communion services at Rosebank. If you know someone who would like to receive communion but is unable to get to Church, please let anyone in the ministry team know, after the service. If you wish to ask for yourself at any time, call the parish administrator on 851 222 or email Dennis Piper on mdpiper@waitrose.com.

Sunday 18th March 3.30pm at St Mary's Church.

Friends of St Mary's Bampton invite you to join them for the second talk of this series:

'The Role of Wine in the Church' presented by Robin Shuckburgh;
Robin is Food and Drink presenter for That's TV and Chairman of Bampton Community Archive. Tickets £8, to include tea afterwards, are available at Bampton Community Shop; or phone 01993 851142; email mrhc1@icloud.com.