## God Changes Things!

Our Lent course and the recent sermon series has focused on "God Changing Things". Changing us as individuals, our communities, the Church, the world and History.

So, now as we come towards the end of Lent, we can look forward to celebrating Easter but not until we've travelled the road of Holy Week.

Holy Week takes us through a transformation – the triumphal ride of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the Last Supper an enduring act of remembrance, Good Friday....dark, deep sadness as Jesus was crucified to take our sins upon himself and then Easter morning...

The empty tomb! Nothing ever the same again. Love stronger than death. Forgiveness deeper than sin. Resurrection hope.

The course of history changed, the hearts of Christians the world over transformed. The Good News to be shared. Hope for the future...

May you find blessing this Easter as we celebrate again that in Christ his death on the cross wasn't the end but rather the start of a whole new chapter of history.

## God changes things!

May we continue to allow Him each day to change us, and our communities, our Church, the world and History.

Happy Easter and God Bless.

Sally

## **Service Dates in April**

Date/Time & Service	Season / Theme	Readings to reflect on
7 <sup>th</sup> April – 10.00am Holy Communion Followed by bring & share lunch	APCM as part of the service	Lent Course 4 God and the Church
14 <sup>th</sup> April – 9am	Palm	Lent Course 5
Holy Communion	Sunday	God and History
		Luke 19:28-40

## Maundy Thursday – Thursday 18th April

Maundy Supper – 7pm – St Peter's Church Hall Followed by a shared Communion at about 7.45pm

## Good Friday – Friday 19th April

Easter Activities for all ages – at Holy Trinity Church
Messy Church Style - From 11.30am
including hot cross buns and refreshments
(see page in magazine for more detail)
Reflective Prayer Stations 2-3pm in Church

21st April 6am – Hartshill Hayes		Churches together followed by breakfast
10am – Holy Communion	Easter Day	Luke 24:1-12
28 <sup>th</sup> April - 10.00am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Psalm 150
ALL AGE	of Easter	

What Else Is On In April					
Thursday 4th	7pm Singing Group				
Wednesday 17th	3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre and 7.30pm Mothers' Union in the library				

Children's groups take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays during Holy Communion

Trinity Tots takes place in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at 1pm

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am Fellowship Groups takes place every Tuesday during term time at Nick and Carol's at 7.30pm and every Monday at 7.30pm at Sylv's Over 50s group takes place in the Community Centre every

Wednesday at 1pm – 3pm

## Church Flowers in April



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21st EASTER DAY – sponsored by Mrs Farn

28th For Lilian Foster

Thank you for your generous donations towards the flowers. If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers, perhaps to celebrate an event or remember a loved one, please see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467. There are a number of dates available in the coming months.



## Lent and Easter Services 2019

## <u> Maundy Thursday – 18<sup>th</sup> April</u>

Maundy Supper at 7pm (soup & batch)
& informal Communion starting 7.45pm(approx.)

At St Peter's Church Hall, Galley Common

Please let Heather know if you are planning to attend the supper

(for catering purposes)

## Good Friday – 19th April

Easter Activities for all ages – at Holy Trinity Church From 11.30am including hot cross buns and refreshments

Reflective and Interactive Prayer Stations at Holy Trinity, Hartshill at 2.00 - 3.00pm

Easter Day - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 6.00am - United Service at Hartshill Hayes View Point followed by breakfast at Holy Trinity, Hartshill (7am ish)

10.00am – All Age Easter Celebration & Communion at Holy Trinity Hartshill

For more details contact Heather (the Vicar) on 024 7639 2266

All Are Very Welcome - hope to see you there!



# All ages of children are welcome \*

Come along for fun, crafts, food and a little mess!!!

\*\*\* At Hartshill Community Centre \*\*\*
(next to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road)

\*\*Special Easter edition of Messy Church\*\*

Easter Activities for all ages – at Holy Trinity Church

Good Friday – 19<sup>th</sup> April - From 11.30am

including hot cross buns and refreshments
(see magazine page for more information)

The next few sessions at our usual time of Wednesday afternoons 3.30 – 5.30pm are:

May 15<sup>th</sup> / June 19<sup>th</sup> / July 17<sup>th</sup>

\* Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost? Free – but donations are welcomed.



Friday 19th April



For Hartshill, Galley Common and area

It was great to meet together for the re-named World Day of Prayer. Each church was represented and we we able to worship together using the service prepared for us by the women of Slovenia. We then enjoyed refreshments and a bring and buy sale and we raise £75 in total to send off to support the projects sponsored by the World Day of Prayer organisation globally.

Our next opportunity to worship together is on Easter Sunday Morning – especially if you like early starts! Celebrating the resurrection of Jesus together at Hartshill Hayes at 6am! Followed by breakfast at Holy Trinity at 7am(ish).

As always - all are most welcome ...for... "How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity...for there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore." (Psalm 133)

Heather

## Praying for our Parish in April 2019

""The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread" Luke 24 34-35

1	We pray for peace in the world, in our community and in our homes					
2	Pray for the Lent Course on: God changing the Church					
3	We give thanks for our Vicar Heather and Sharon our Curate. Thank God for all their hard work, compassion, gifts and ministries. May He bless them in all they do					
4	Pray for the Lent Course on: God changing the Church					
5	For all parents we pray for patience, love and the ability to guide their children					
6	Remember the homeless and those who are struggling financially					
7	May God be with us at our Annual Parochial Church Meeting today as we undertake this meeting as part of the church service					
8	Pray for the Easter Assemblies at Michael Drayton Junior School today					
9	Pray for the Lent Course on: God changing History					
10	For anyone who is facing a difficult situation or decision – may they turn to					
	Christ for comfort and guidance					
11	Pray for the Lent Course on: God changing History					
12	We pray for the safety of our children as they break for the Easter Holidays					
13	Pray for safety for all Christians and Aid Workers all over the world					

14	On this Palm Sunday we pray for all churches to be successful in spreading the good news of Jesus and the happenings of Holy Week and what this means for all people
15	Remember refugees throughout the world today and pray that they may find a place of safety and hope for their futures
16	Remember and pray for the elderly and for our local care homes and their staff
17	We ask Jesus to sustain all those who care for someone at home
18	Pray that God will bless us during our Joint Maundy Supper / Service at Galley Common
19	Thank God for the unbelievable sacrifice of his Son, Jesus Christ, so that we may live in freedom from guilt and sin. May God bless our Good Friday and the activities that are planned. May He be known through the crafts and fun of Messy Church and may we feel His presence and His peace at our Reflective Service
20	For anyone who is bereaved – May they turn to Christ and receive his unfailing love and comfort
21	Easter Day – pray for all the special services & celebrations – Alleluijah – Christ is Risen
22	Pray for safety and happiness in families on this Bank Holiday
23	We remember the fantastic work of the Scouting movement, the Girl Guides, Brownies and Rainbows. Ask that our uniformed groups will be blessed through their activities as they bless others
24	Pray for our Church Wardens and our PCC with their many responsibilities
25	For Food Banks and the families who currently need to use them

26	Take a look at the beauty in nature today and thank God for his marvellous creation
27	Pray for our nation and our Government may people be called to serve this country with integrity and justice
28	Pray about social media – for its safe usage and that ways can be found to ensure this technology enriches our lives
29	We pray for all teachers and pupils as they return to school for the summer term
30	For community life – that we will all have time for our neighbours





World Vision is the world's largest international children's charity and their motto, and aim, is No Child Without A Future.

In 1947, Dr. Bob Pierce, an American evangelist and war correspondent took a life-changing trip to China and Korea. Amid the incredible poverty that he saw, one girl's need touched his heart. Bob gave his last 5 dollars to her guardians to support her upbringing and to keep her enrolled in school. He then sent 5 dollars every month for her; but he wanted to do more; so in 1950 Bob set up World Vision to help children orphaned by the Korean war.

As so often happens, one person's determination to do something spreads quickly and before long World Vision supporters were sending money to care for children in need in other Asian countries, then in Latin America, Africa, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. By this time sponsors came from many other countries including Britain and World Vision UK was formed in 1982. Today, World Vision is a truly global partnership, present in nearly 100 countries.

Child sponsorship remains at the heart of this charity, but as well as focusing on individual children they now work with whole communities to bring about long-term change for all. They address the root causes of poverty and use their global influence to ensure changes are represented at every level of decision making and becoming an influential voice on issues such as protecting children and children's health.

They are quick to respond to emergency situations too where famine, tsunamis and other disasters occur. As I write, they are involved with the latest disaster of storm damage and floods in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi, where many have been left homeless and without food and clean water to drink.

Bob Pierce's faith inspired him to give one child a chance. It's that story again of the boy saving one starfish on the beach by throwing it back into the sea, when there were many starfish on the beach. He couldn't save them all, but he did save one. Sometimes, maybe we feel helpless when we see so many people in need and think that our little bit of help won't do much to help or change things, but it can help one person to survive; so that's worth everything to that one person. Since the day that Bob helped that one girl to a better life, through his action then, 6 decades later millions of children have been helped; so please never think that your help will be too little to make a difference. In 2017 donations from the UK alone transformed the lives of more than 3 million children.

World Vision provide clean water and sanitation, helping children to stay healthy and thereby enable them to attend school regularly. They train volunteer health care assistants and bring vaccination programmes; they run farmers' schools to teach new techniques to grow stronger crops for families to feed their children; they provide education and information on children's rights and also provide training in new skills and support mothers to start their own small businesses.

Child sponsorship costs £26 a month; so not everyone is in the fortunate position to be able to do this, but if you wish to give a donation (of any

amount) their contact details are:- World Vision UK, World Vision House, Opal Drive, Fox Milne, Milton Keynes MK15 0ZR. Tel: 01908 841000. Email address info@worldvision.org.uk or go online at <a href="https://www.worldvision.org/">https://www.worldvision.org/</a> to see stories of the children that they help.

Lynda Kelly



## Letter from "Aim for Change"

Dear friends at Holy Trinity, Hartshill,

We have just received the following email and photos from Uganda, regarding the success of Eliot, the young person whom your Harvest sale donation to Aim for Change in 2017 was used to support in his education.

We wanted to share them with you so that you can see what a blessing your support is and what a difference has already been made to this young man's life, since he came to Trust Children's Centre in Uganda, as a street child. It is a real joy to see these youngsters growing into wonderful, responsible and hard-working young adults through the generosity of supporters.

We are very grateful for your support towards Eliot's education and we pray that he will continue to work hard and achieve his dreams. He very much appreciates the opportunities which you are helping to give him and the team of people who care for these former street children at this project also thank you for your support.

With kind regards and blessings

Nicola Ridout

PA/Trustee – Aim for Change

NR/RJ

Hello Mama Ruth and Nicola,

We thank God for the success He gave to Eliot in his 1st Semester... Eliot came to office very happy after the release of his 1st semester results which he passed with a GPA of 3.8 Points, becoming the 8th in class.

Eliot is now in his 2nd Semester and all is moving on well. More so, Eliot is aspiring to contest for Guild Presidency in their medical school. We pray God sees him through and makes his dreams come true. Otherwise, thank you all for your continued generous support given to such young generation.

Blessings to you.

Sam.



Eliot in 2010 and 2019



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Crossword

#### Across

- 1 'You are a chosen people, a royal ' (1 Peter 2:9) (10)
- 7 Exact copy (Joshua 22:28)(7)
- 8 Jesus' first words to Jairus's daughter, 'My child, ——' (Luke 8:54) (3,2)
- 10 Idol made by the Israelites while Moses was on Mount Sinai (Exodus 32:4) (4)
- 11 Role allotted to Joseph in Egypt (Genesis 42:6) (8)

- 13 'Lord, when did we hungry and feed you?' (Matthew 25:37) (3,3)
- 15 'Though seeing, they do ——; though hearing, they do not hear or understand' (Matthew 13:13) (3,3)
- 17 Happening (1 Kings 21:1) (8)
- 18 'Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the of Christ' (Philippians 3:7) (4)
- 21 National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (1,1,1,1,1)
- 22 Stamp on (Amos 2:7) (7)
- 23 Liable to rot (1 Corinthians 15:42) (10)

#### Down

- 1 Of the pope (5)
- 2 'The earth is the Lord's, and everything ——' (Psalm 24:1) (2,2)
- 3 Hebrew word for the kind of peace that Jesus promised (6)
- 4 Member of a 16th-century Protestant reform movement in France (8)
- 5 Sing out (anag.) (7)
- 6 Ceremonial column of people on the move (1 Samuel 10:5) (10)
- 9 One of the things love always does (1 Corinthians 13:7) (10)
- 12 Esther's cousin who foiled a plot to assassinate King Xerxes (Esther 2:7, 22) (8)
- 14 See cape (anag.) (7)
- 16 'No one can them out of my hand' (John 10:28) (6)
- 19 Often mistakenly identified as the fruit that led to the first sin (Joel 1:12) (5)
- 20 'He was led like a to the slaughter' (Isaiah 53:7) (4)
- ACROSS: 1, Priesthood. 7, Replica. 8, Get up. 10, Calf. 11, Governor. 13, See you. 15, Not see. 17, Incident. 18, Sake. 21, NSPCC. 22, Trample. 23, Perishable. DOWN: 1, Papal. 2, In it. 3, Shalom. 4, Huguenot. 5, Outings. 6, Procession. 9, Perseveres. 12, Mordecai. 14, Escapee. 16, Snatch. 19, Apple. 20, Lamb.

## Sharon's Recipe - Prawn (or Salmon) Saganaki

#### Serves 4

## **Ingredients**

1 tbsp olive oil 1 medium onion, diced 4 cloves garlic, minced 2 tbsp tomato puree 4 fl oz white wine

400g can of chopped tomatoes

1 tsp granulated sugar ½ tsp chilli flakes

350 g / 12 oz shelled prawns (or salmon fillet)

125 g / 4oz feta cheese

3 tbsp torn, fresh flat-leaf parsley

1 large baguette, thickly sliced

## Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4
- 2. In a large frying pan, heat olive oil over a medium heat
- 3. Add onions and cook, stirring for 3 minutes, until softened then add garlic and cook for another minute
- 4. Add tomato puree and cook for 1 minute
- 5. Add white wine and simmer until reduced by half
- 6. Add chopped tomatoes, granulated sugar and chilli flakes, reduce heat to low and cook, stirring occasionally, until thickened, Remove from heat, stir in prawns (or salmon if using) spread mixture into a large oven proof dish in a single layer
- 7. Sprinkle crumbled feta cheese evenly over the top and bake for 10 minutes, until prawns (or fish) are cooked through and cheese has melted slightly
- 8. Remove from oven and scatter with torn parsley.

Serve immediately with sliced baguette.



## **Eco tips for April**



With a damp climate it's easy to think that we have plenty of water and nothing to worry about. But water shortages is the future for many unless we rethink how we use each drop. Having a shower, cooking dinner and flushing the loo all add up to an average of **150 litres daily** for each of us. But taking into account all the water needed to produce all the food and products (including clothing and mobile phones) we use, we actually get through a whopping **4,645 litres every day!** 

This way, we indirectly affect water resources throughout the world.

So this month we are looking at our water consumption and ways we could reduce it even more than we may have already.

## Eco tip for your garden:

Collecting rain water for watering your garden will reduce the amount of tap water you use and help keep your plants healthy. Rain barrels come in different styles and sizes so even if you've not got much space you might find one to suit you, or you could leave a bucket out when it rains – just remember to cover it after the rain has stopped so that bees and other insects don't fall into it.

Watering outdoor plants in the early morning or at the end of the day stops water evaporating straight away in sunlight and heat. Also, watering onto the soil rather than leaves makes sure the liquid goes straight to the roots, where it's needed.

### Eco tip:

33% of the worlds fresh water is used for food production. Rearing animals for meat and dairy is incredibly water-intensive, for example producing 1 kg of intensively-reared beef requires 15,000 litres of water (ten times what

it takes for 1 kg of grain) and 1000 litres of water are used to produce just 1 litre of cow's milk. You can compare the water costs of different types of food at the Water Footprint Network website here: http://tinyurl.com/hywterv

You could slash your water use drastically by cutting down on the amount of dairy and meat you eat by choosing a "flexitarian" diet which is mainly plant, but with small amounts of probably higher standard meat, fish and dairy. This increasingly popular choice benefits our health while easing the pressure on water globally. Take one step at a time, maybe having one dairy and meat-free day a week at first then moving on to only eating meat and dairy at the weekends. When you eat dairy and meat, think "less and better": sourcing from local farmers with good standards (not all meat and dairy consumption and production is environmentally damaging) might seem expensive but by eating less it balances out.

## Eco tip:

Some shower heads use a lot of water, so consider fitting yours with a low flow shower head, such as one of those produced by EcoCamel, which gives a refreshing power shower while using less water.

**Eco tip**: next time you go to replace a piece of clothing or an electrical item consider the water that went into its production and whether this can be bought pre -owned, borrowed or shared, thereby eliminating the "invisible" water that would have gone into its production, and saving you money too. Did you know you can get vegetarian and vegan shoes? Or that an ethical mobile phone is available (look up Fairphone2)?

If anybody has anything they would like to share with readers of the magazine, please either write it down and give it to me or email it to me at <a href="mu@susanmfoster.co.uk">mu@susanmfoster.co.uk</a>. Please send text in either email form or as a word attachment and send photos as jpg attachments.

The deadline for articles for the May magazine is 22<sup>nd</sup> April

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Church website: <a href="http://www.holytrinityhartshill.co.uk/">http://www.holytrinityhartshill.co.uk/</a>

 ${\bf Facebook}\ \underline{https://www.facebook.com/groups/holytrinityhartshill/}$ 

Hartshill Mothers' Union website: http://hartshillmu.uk/

Prayer Requests prayers.holytrinity@gmail.com





The Community Café will be closed on Tuesday April 16th

## **Hartshill Community Library**

## Your Warwickshire Library card works here!



Tuesday 10am to 2pm Wednesday 2pm to 4pm Thursday 2pm to 4pm Friday 10am to Midday Saturday 10am to Midday

The following sessions are also held in the library: Family History Group Mondays 1.30pm to 3.30pm Needles and Natter Fridays 10am to 12pm Book Club first Tuesday of the month 10.30am

If you feel able to join our band of volunteers, pop in any time.