

# St. Mary's Church Arnold

Welcome to church today as we come together to worship God. If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to Angela or Ian our Churchwardens, or Sylvia our priest.

## Sunday 17th. March

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9am. Holy Communion (CW)

10:30am. Morning Worship

Jeremiah 31: 31—34, John 12: 20—33

Tuesday 19th. March

7:30pm. Community Cinema—The Great Escaper

Sunday 24th. March

Palm Sunday

9am. Holy Communion (CW)

10:30am. Morning Worship

Philippians 2: 1—11, Luke 19: 28—end

## Lent Challenge 2024

Week beginning March 17th. Luke 7: 36—50



## Collections in church

We are still collecting candles for the Ukraine and food for the Foodbank. Donations of money can be made by cash or by using the contactless machine provided next to the main church door (see back page for more details).

### Lent Lunches

**Sylvia and Angela are holding another Lent Soup and cheese lunch on Thursday 21st March at 1pm.**

They will also be showing a DVD of the life of Archbishop Romero, a Roman Catholic Priest who worked with the poor in El Salvador

**If you wish to come, please sign the list on the notice board.**

Donations on the day towards the cost.

### Holy Week and Easter Services

Sunday 24th	Palm Sunday	9am. Holy Communion 10.30am. Morning Worship
Thursday 28th	Maundy Thursday	7pm Holy Communion
Friday 29th.	Good Friday	12noon Church open for private prayer 1.00-3.00 2 hours around the cross. (If you are unable to stay for the full 2 hours, please try to come on the hour or half hour when there will be a hymn.)
Sunday 31st.	Easter Sunday	<b><u>10am</u></b>



Easter Celebration of Holy Communion.  
Preacher and President  
Bishop John Finney

## Daily Bible readings

Weekly Readings	Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament
Sunday 17th March	51	Jeremiah 31: 31—34	John 12: 20—33
Monday 18th March	23	Susannah 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62	John 8.1-11
Tuesday 19th March	89	2 Samuel 7.4-16	Matthew 1.18-end
Wednesday 20th March	36	Daniel 3.14-20, 24-25,28	John 8.31-42
Thursday 21st March	105	Genesis 17.3-9	John 8.51-end
Friday 22nd March	18	Jeremiah 20.10-13	John 10.31-end
Saturday 23rd March	121	Ezekiel 37.21-28	John 11.45-end
Sunday 24th March	118	Philippians 2: 1—11	Mark 11.1-11

### ST MARY'S PRAYERS FOR MARCH 2024

Loving God, I know that I am not perfect, and I am sorry that I sometimes make wrong decisions. Forgive me I pray. May I hear your voice guiding me today. In Jesus name I pray, **Amen.**

**Pray** for the many regions of our world where there is conflict, unrest, and oppression. Pray that reconciliation will overcome hatred, peace will conquer war and that hope will replace despair. Pray for the people of Ukraine and the Middle East that peace may return to their lands and that they may be able to live in peace once more. **Lord, in your mercy hear my prayer. Amen**

**Father God** thank you for carrying me through life's winter seasons and for bringing me into a new springtime season of hope. Thank you for the blessings you have prepared for me in the season ahead and above all thank you that your love never changes. **Amen**

As we join with fellow Christian's arounds the world to pray and reflect on the events of Holy Week, turn your eyes upon Jesus look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace. Thank you, Lord, for sending Jesus into our world. to walk the road, we walk. I pray that we may walk more closely with him, day by day. **Amen**

#### **An Easter prayer:**

**Lord God**, you loved this world so much that you gave your one and only Son that we too might be called your children. Lord help us to live in the gladness and grace of ~Easter Sunday every day. May we have eyes that look upon your grace and rejoice in our salvation walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world, Amen

**Requests for prayer and thanks for answered prayer can be emailed to:**  
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### **Contactless Giving**

St Mary's has been awarded a Contactless Giving unit to accept donations by card or smart phone.

Located next to the door into church, the unit is simple to use – just select the amount you would like to give (by pushing the £5 or £10 or £20 or £30 button) and hold your card against the WiFi symbol on the top – just like for a unit in a shop.

St Mary's can automatically claim Gift Aid on donations from this machine – it does not need your details – so each £10 gift becomes a £12.50 donation for the church.

Or if you wish, you can donate your gift through the linked website Gift page – just open the link using this QR code.

And a huge thank you for any donation given.



### **Wheelchair**

**There is a wheelchair available for use in church.**

This newsheet is produced on Friday afternoons. Please provide any information to Kristina and Ian by 9am. Friday morning.  
admin@stmarysarnold.org.uk or ian.rosillo@gmail.com. Thank—you.