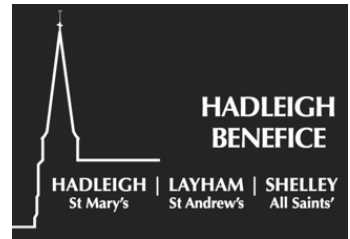


# Sunday 17 March 2019

## Lent 2



**Welcome to our service, especially if you are visiting today.  
Please do join us for refreshments after the service  
at St Mary's and All Saints'.**

<b>THIS WEEK:</b>			
<b>Morning prayer is said at St Mary's: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 8.30am</b>			
<b>Sunday 17 March</b>			
<b>Monday 18 March</b>	11-12.30 Coffee, Cake and Chat at St Andrew's 1.30pm Funeral at Seven Hills – Terence Swift RIP		
<b>Tuesday 19 March</b>	11am Row Chapel – Mattins (BCP) <b>The office will close at 11am today, due to a meeting (postponed from last week)</b> 1.30-2.45pm St Mary's – Tadpoles: for babies, toddlers and carers 3pm Waterfield House – informal service 4.30pm Silent Prayer, at the Salvation Army Hall - all welcome 7.30pm CTiH Lent Course at Salvation Army Hall		
<b>Wednesday 20 March</b>	8am St Mary's – Morning Prayer and Eucharist 2pm Mothers' Union at the Salvation Army Hall		
<b>Thursday 21 March</b>	12 noon CTiH Lent Course at Salvation Army Hall 2.30pm Friends of St Mary's Trustees AGM and Committee		
<b>Friday 22 March</b>	9.30am–12noon St Mary's – Café Church, with Water Aid Coffee Morning 10am Café Church Communion 12noon St Andrew's – Funeral: Pamela Bowden RIP 5.15pm St Mary's - Lent meditations 7-9.30pm Porch Project		
<b>Saturday 23 March</b>			
<b>Sunday 24 March Lent 3</b>	8am 9.15am 10.45am	Said Eucharist (BCP) Sung Eucharist (Layham with Shelley) Sung Eucharist	St Mary's St Andrew's St Mary's

## NOTICES

**WELCOME** TO THE BENEFICE OF ST MARY'S HADLEIGH, ST ANDREW'S LAYHAM AND ALL SAINTS' SHELLEY. We hope you enjoy being with us, and look forward to welcoming you again in the future. Communicant members of all churches are welcome to receive communion – or come up for a blessing if you prefer.



**Children** at St Mary's are welcome to use the area at the back of church, where there are toys, books and other things to do.

If you require a **gluten free** communion wafer, please speak to one of the welcome team – preferably before the start of the service.

If you are a UK taxpayer and would like to **gift aid** your collection donation at St Mary's, please put it in the white envelope (available from the back of the church) and complete the details on the front. Please ask a welcomer if you cannot find an envelope. Thank you.

**If you would like someone to pray with or for you after any service, please ask a member of the Ministry Team and they will direct you to someone who will be happy to do this.**

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St Mary's Electoral Roll is now closed until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 28 March. The new roll has been published, and there is a copy on the PCC noticeboard. Any additional names can be added to the roll after that meeting. (Layham and Shelley's deadline dates are different – please speak to churchwardens if you are unsure.)

### **Annual Parochial Church Meetings:**

St Mary's Hadleigh	Thursday 28 March
All Saints' Shelley	Tuesday 9 April
St Andrew's Layham	Wednesday 10 April

**The St Mary's Annual report is available this morning – please be sure to take your copy**

**PCC vacancies:** There are up to 4 vacancies on St Mary's PCC. If you think you might be interested in joining the PCC at St Mary's or any of the churches in the benefice, please speak to Jo or to one of the churchwardens

## NOTICES AND FUTURE EVENTS

**Please note that Jo is having this week off; we hope and pray that he has a good rest!**

**Many thanks** to all who helped to clean St Mary's a couple of weeks ago – the church is looking much tidier and cared for.

**Lent Meditations:** A time of stillness and reflection on Friday evenings during Lent beginning at 5:15 pm (please be there by 5:10) – all welcome. Thoughts and words taken from “The Things He Carried” by Stephen Cottrell (Bishop of Chelmsford)

22nd March	The Crown of Thorns
29th March	His Followers' Disappointments
5th April	The Seamless Robe
12th April	A Broken Heart

**CTiH Lent Study Course – ‘Daring to see God now’.** Each year during Lent Churches Together offers a study course for all to share. This year it is the York Course written by Bishop Nick Baines. There are sessions at the Salvation Army Hall each Tuesday at 7.30pm and every Thursday at 12noon.

**Water Aid Coffee Morning:** Friday 22 March, 10am-12noon at St Mary's. Any offers of cakes and raffle prizes would be very welcome!

**Request from FROGS:** If you have any spare coins (10p or less) please donate them to FROGS. On Wednesday 17 April the children will be trying to make a line of coins from the font to the dais. The money collected will then be sent to the Diocese towards the Bishop's Lent Appeal for Kagera. Thank you. Trish

**Coats for Calais:** It has been suggested that we might collect and donate unwanted coats for Care4Calais, a volunteer-run charity delivering aid and support to refugees living in the worst conditions across Northern France and Belgium. Contact Sarah Nicholson for more details [sarah.nicholson7@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.nicholson7@gmail.com) or see the information on the poster and flyers. There is a now a collection point in St Mary's.

**Any cat lovers?** Pamela Bowden's loving cat is now looking for a good loving home to spend her days. If you are interested do ring Charlotte on 07940 876 710

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## FAMILY PRAYERS

*For health and wellbeing:* Bob Stanley, Kenny Scarff, Andy Morton, Gary Watts, Elaine Wilson, Marley Youngs, Terry Powell, Daphne Tucker, Maureen Revell, Sue Dodson, Sarah Nicholson (Scarff), Nicola Hempstead, Julia Hanford, Major Mary, Joan Rudman, Wendy Harvey, Ann Curtis, Pat Batty, Rita, Michael Pitt, Sonia Steer, Dorothy Fenhoulet

*Long term sick:* list available

*Recent deaths,* Terence Swift, Pamela Bowden, Doris Upson

*Praying the roads in Hadleigh:* Mary Clarke Close

### *Other prayers:*

Following the debacle in Parliament this week we pray for the elected representatives of the UK Assemblies and Parliaments, and members of the House of Lords, asking God to enable them to work together honourably for the highest interests of each of our nations, guided by truth and love.

Pray for a fair and workable solution to the impasse at Stormont. Northern Ireland has been without government the longest of any country in peacetime and it desperately needs to be restored.

Intercede for all in positions of leadership asking that God will strengthen them to seek for the good of our nation, laying aside all personal interests and prejudices.

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**The Benefice Office at St Mary's is open from 10.00am-12 noon every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.**

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