

# Christ Church C of E

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## Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019



### Welcome to Christ Church

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone.

#### Services

##### Today

9.30 am Holy Communion

##### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 am Holy Communion  
In St Marys Chapel

##### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March

9.30 am Morning Worship



**Refreshments** - the service will be followed by refreshments – please do stay and share some fellowship together.

**Prayer** - people are available in the Chapel after the service to pray with you for healing or for any other needs

**Children are always welcome** - Flames (Sunday School) meets together in the Headgate Room every Sunday during term time. All primary age children are very welcome and those who are younger too, if accompanied by an adult. Please do ask the door stewards for directions.

**Hearing loop** – there is a hearing loop in the building. If you use a hearing aid please set it to “+”.

*Christ Church Anglican Congregation Vision Statement*

*“Through our worship, mission, nurture and service we want to enable all people to enter into a living relationship with Jesus Christ”*

## **Diary for this week**

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00 am Coffee +

### **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>**

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am Time Together on Tuesday

3.15 pm FRoG Club

### **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Holy Communion in St Mary's Chapel

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>**

9.00 am Breakfast Café

### **Friday 29<sup>th</sup>**

7.30 pm Splodgy Youth

### **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>**

7.00 pm Quiz evening

#### **Rector:**

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## **Service notes**

*Each week there will be space here for you to jot down any notes you want to make during the service*

***Welcome and introduction:***

*Jesus said, "whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."*

**God of our days and years, we set this time apart for you. Form us in the likeness of Christ so that our lives may glorify you.**

Open our lips, Lord:  
**and we shall praise your name.**

***Hymn:*** As the deer pants

*Please stand*

*Prayer for Flames*

***We say sorry to God:***

*Please sit*

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Hear these commandments which God has given to his people, and examine your hearts.

I am the Lord your God: you shall have no other gods but me.

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.  
Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.  
Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not dishonour the name of the Lord your God.

**You shall worship him with awe and reverence.  
Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.

**Christ is risen from the dead: set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth.  
Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Honour your father and mother.

**Live as servants of God; let us work for the good of all, especially members of the household of faith.**

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Live peaceably with all; overcome evil with good.**

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit.**

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not steal.

**Be honest in all that you do, and care for those in need.**

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Let everyone speak the truth.**

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbour.

**Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' Love your neighbour as yourself, for love is the fulfilling of the law. Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

*Silence*

**Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you. We are not worthy to be called your children. We turn to you again. Have mercy on us, bring us back to yourself as those who once were dead but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Absolution*

***Praise:*** Above all powers, So freely

*Please stand*

***The collect:***

**Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

***Old Testament Reading:*** Isaiah 55.1-9

***The Gospel reading:***

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke  
Glory to you O Lord

Luke 13.1-9

This is the gospel of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

***The sermon*** followed by *Silent reflection*

***The intercessions:***

*Please sit*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

***The peace:***

*Please stand*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

***Offertory hymn:*** How deep the Father's love

***The Communion***

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

... may find a voice to give you praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

... Jesus Christ is Lord.

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world..**

... For ever and ever.

**Amen.**

***The Lord's Prayer:***

*Please sit*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

***Breaking of the Bread:***

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*During the sharing of communion there will be an opportunity for prayer for healing. If you would like prayer or a simple blessing then please move to the 'prayer place' to the left of the dais where someone will come to you.*

***Post communion prayer:***

**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. Amen**

*Notices*

***Closing hymn:*** I will sing the wondrous story

*Please stand*

***The blessing and dismissal:***

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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# Explore course

For those working with 0-11's in a church setting

## Session 1

Wednesday 17th April, 6.30-10.00pm

or Saturday 4th May, 2-5.30pm

## Session 2

Wednesday 24th April, 6.30-10.00 pm

or Saturday 11th May, 2-5.30 pm



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# Friends and Family QU?Z

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March - 7pm**

*A relaxing Quiz evening – led by  
the Baxter Family.*

*Hot supper included, bring your own  
drinks*

*Teams should have a maximum of 6  
adults plus children Cost:*

*Free, Donations on the evening*

*Sign up on sheet in Foyer OR*

*E-mail: [quiz@colchesterchristchurch.org.uk](mailto:quiz@colchesterchristchurch.org.uk)*

Christ Church with St. Mary at the Walls,  
Colchester



The Annual Parish Meetings will be held in the church  
on

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019**  
**7.30 pm**

The meetings elect the Churchwardens, Deputy Church Wardens, PCC  
and other committee members for the year ahead.

The meetings also consider the Annual Reports and approve the Annual  
Accounts for 2017

**Tea, Coffee and Cake from 7.00 pm**  
**All are welcome to attend**

## Easter at Christ Church

Come and  
find the real  
reason for  
the season  
this Easter



**Maundy Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
8.00 pm Service of Holy Communion

**Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**  
10.30 am Good Friday Messy Church  
2.00 pm Last hour at the cross

**Easter Day 21<sup>st</sup> April**  
6.30 am Sun Rise Holy Communion with  
breakfast  
9.30 am Family Communion

# Prayer for the Week

**Lord, may we find and take the opportunities for us to grow with you during this coming week.**



## ***The World***

- We pray for wisdom and peace over the various political tensions around the world.
- Those affected by the events in New Zealand.
- The situations in Israel, Syria, Yemen, Iraq and Afghanistan.
- Those areas of the world affected severely with flooding, all those who face lack of clean water, starvation and homelessness.

## ***National and Local***

- Our Queen and those who govern our lands.
- Wisdom in Parliament at the current time.
- Those from our armed forces who are deployed around the world.
- Our emergency and security services
- Those who have concerns over employment, debt and relationships.
- Those affected by crime and terrorism across the country and locally.

## ***Our Church and pastoral needs***

- Rev Canon Paul and Glyn Norrington
- Our ministry team
- Brian and Marilyn Beattie
- Valerie Denniss
- Give thanks for the life of Elizabeth Beresky who has gone to be with her Lord. Please pray for the family at this time.
- Those undergoing hospital tests, those recovering from surgery or receiving treatment and those who are unwell
- Those who mourn.
- Those struggling with everyday life both physically and mentally.
- The Quiz Evening and preparations for Easter, the APCM and Alpha.

## ***Streets of the week***

Please pray for all those who live in Butt Road, Goojerat Road

## ***Pastoral Prayer Care Groups***

Please pray for Eric Berhardt, Victoria & Adam Blanshard, Judith Budge, Molly Whitehead