



Pathway  
Church

**THIS  
WEEK**

Dear all,

Lent began yesterday and so we once again journey on our annual pilgrimage to commemorate and celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection and all that this means to us.

Throughout Lent we'll be following a special teaching series across all our services - you can read more about that in this mailing.

There's LOTS to tell you about this week, including:

- **Saturday's CMT Conference** - it's not too late to book and this is open to all (whether you're in a Market Town or not); I'm sure there will be lots of inspiring stories and we can celebrate all that God is doing across our towns in Cambridgeshire
- **Lent Groups** and **Stations of the Cross**
- Some **Road Trips and a Summer Festival** we'll be heading out on - would you like to join us?

God bless,  
Emily



A well known Christian painting of:  
"Christ in the Wilderness - The Scorpion" , 1939, Stanley Spencer, (1891 -  
1959)

## Services & Events this week

### Sunday 26th February

- 09:30** • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates
- 09:30** • Morning Praise at St Andrew's, Whittlesey
- 11:00** • Morning Praise at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 11:00** • Holy Communion at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

### Monday 27th February

- 19:00** • Alpha at the Rectory

## Tuesday 28th February

**09:30** • Pathway Prayers at the Rectory

**19:30** • Lent Course in Pondersbridge - *for details please ask*

## Wednesday 1st March

**09:15** • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates

**10:00** • Lent Course at Holy Trinity, Coates

**19:30** • St Andrew's PCC

## Thursday 2nd March

**09:15** • Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey

## Friday 3rd March

**10:30** • Funeral of Jean Redhead at St Mary's, Whittlesey

**12:00** • Stations of the Cross at St Mary's, Whittlesey

## Saturday 4th March

## Sunday 5th March

**09:30** • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates

**09:30** • Morning Praise at St Andrew's, Whittlesey

**11:00** • Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey

**18:00** • Evening Praise at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

For your **PRAYERS** this week:

For our pilgrimage through Lent together; that we might continue to grow in faith and in our relationship with God.

For those who will have Holy Communion taken to them at the Hermitage Care Home this week.

For those are unwell at this time and in need of healing.

*If you would like to add a name to the prayer list for healing, please let us know. People with ongoing need of healing remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear here.*

We remember those who have recently died and pray for their family and friends at this difficult time, including:

Linda Daniels • Jean Redhead • Barbara Reedman • Lillian "Joan" Wright

## CHANGING MARKET TOWNS

It's not too late to join us at the Changing Market Towns Conference this Saturday. I'm glad to hear there's a good number from our church attending and the more the merrier! It will be good to hear about what God is doing in some of the other market towns across Cambridgeshire and it might give us some ideas for Whittlesey (and the rest of the Benefice). You can sign up to say you're coming [HERE](#) and it's completely free!

Seminars you can choose to attend include sessions on:

**Youth, Children, New Community Developments, Music and Arts, Pioneer Ministry and Mission-shaped PCCs.** Throughout the day, there will be a marketplace with stands, a bookstall and information boards which attendees will be welcome to browse.



Save the date!

**REDISCOVERING  
GOD IN EVERYDAY  
PLACES**

Changing Market Towns Conference 2023

**Saturday 25 February: 10am - 3.30pm**  
Neale-Wade Academy, March

Come and celebrate with each other and discover how God is at work in Market Towns

Further details will be available on the Diocesan website  
[www.elydiocese.org/](http://www.elydiocese.org/)

Email enquiries should be directed to [markettowns@elydiocese.org](mailto:markettowns@elydiocese.org)

 **CHANGING**  
market towns >>>

 The Church of England  
Diocese of Ely

Light refreshments (tea / coffee / biscuits) will be available at the start of the day. Soup and a bread roll will be served over the lunch period. To be eco-friendly we are encouraged to bring our own reusable coffee / tea mugs and / or refillable water bottles. Fresh drinking water will be available.

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**LENT GROUPS** will be running on:

**Tuesday** evenings in Pondersbridge - from 28th Feb

**Wednesday** mornings in Coates - from 1st March

The same session will be run each week at both venues, so you can swap venues each week to suit your convenience.

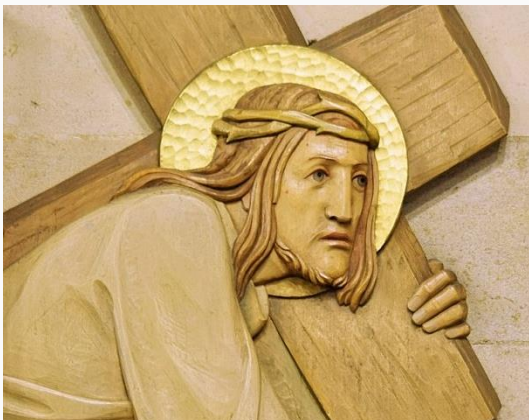
To sign up:

Contact John Crisp: 01733 844 336

Or the Parish Office: [hello@pathway-church.co.uk](mailto:hello@pathway-church.co.uk)

If anyone needs a lift to either village, this can be arranged.

If you can't make either of these, Queen Street Church are also running a Lent group on Thursday afternoons. More details can be found further down.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will run throughout Lent on a Friday, 12noon at St Mary's from the 3rd March. This is a short and reflective service in which we walk with Christ on the journey from his betrayal to the crucifixion.

**TEACHING SERIES** - Throughout Lent we'll be following a teaching series across all our Sunday services focusing on "The Journey to the Cross". This series will focus on the story of God and people throughout the Old Testament and how it leads to Jesus and his crucifixion and resurrection. We'll be looking at:

1st Sunday of Lent - Christ: The New Adam

2nd Sunday of Lent - Abraham and John 3:16

3rd Sunday of Lent - Passover: Out of Egypt

4th Sunday of Lent - The Promised Land

5th Sunday of Lent - Isaiah: The Suffering Servant

*There may be a little variation to accommodate Baptisms etc.*

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## **ROAD TRIPS & SUMMER FESTIVAL**

Pathway Church will be heading out on a few road-trips over the coming months and we'd love for you to join us!

**Sunday 5th March** - we'll be heading to a service at CSK Church in Hampton at 5pm. This will be a service of contemporary worship and prayer and we'll be starting something similar in the Benefice here soon (look out for "Worship Wednesdays").

**Spring Harvest** - some of us will be heading to Spring Harvest at Skegness for a day on Tuesday 11th April. Tickets are £40 and available [HERE](#). Do let us know if you'd like to join us!





**New Wine** - Some of us will also be heading to New Wine's Summer Festival - Week B (1st-5th August 2023). This will involve either camping for the five days or alternative accommodation might be available nearby. If you'd like to know more, please ask. You can see a little something of what New Wine is like [\*\*HERE\*\*](#).

## Lent Courses 2023

Whittlesey Churches Together are offering the following lent courses. Take your pick and contact the relevant church to book for more information if needed.



### Journeying through Lent with John's Gospel

At: Pondersbridge Church

On: Tuesdays 7.30pm-9pm

Starting 28<sup>th</sup> February

Contact: Parish Office 01733 205337

Or email: [hello@pathway-church.co.uk](mailto:hello@pathway-church.co.uk)



### Journeying through Lent with John's Gospel

At: Holy Trinity Church, Coates

On: Wednesday's 10am-11.30am

Starting 1<sup>st</sup> March

Contact: Parish Office 01733 205337

Or email: [hello@pathway-church.co.uk](mailto:hello@pathway-church.co.uk)

The cost of the study book is £5.99



### 5 session lent course based on The film, novel and stage adaptation of Victor Hugo's Les Miserables called 'Another Story Must Begin'

At: Queen Street Church

The course explores the grace of God, our own fallen state, gives opportunity for forgiveness and redemption and helps us reassess our lives; for our sake and of others.

On: Thursday's 1.30pm-3pm

Starting 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Contact: Nick Drury on 07903878341

[nickan.drury@ntlworld.com](mailto:nickan.drury@ntlworld.com)

You may benefit from watching the film of 'Les Miserables' starring Anne Hathaway, Hugh Jackman & Russel Crowe prior to attending!

**SAVE THE DATE** - there's a Men's Curry Night coming up which any men from our church congregations and wider communities are very welcome to join. Details of how you can book will be coming soon - but do save the date. The Women's Breakfast went very well last weekend and so I'm sure something else will be arranged for our Women's group - watch this space!

