



Many of our parishes will be celebrating the **Presentation of Christ in the Temple** on Sunday whilst St Mary's will be marking a belated Safeguarding Sunday.

As the season of **Epiphany** draws to a close, **Lent** will begin in just three weeks' time. You might wish to give some thought to how you would like to spiritually mark Lent this year - there are a number of Lent groups running in the Benefice which you might like to join.

God bless, Emily



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Services & Events this week

Sunday 28th January

09:30 • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates
09:30 • Morning Praise at St Andrew's, Whittlesey
11:00 • Sunday Worship at St Mary's, Whittlesey
followed by Bring & Share Lunch in the Rectory
11:00 • Holy Communion at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

Monday 29th January

9-11am • Trinity Tots at Holy Trinity, Coates13:30 • School Visit to St Mary's, Whittlesey

19:00 • Exploring John's Gospel in the Falcon

Tuesday 30th January

19:00 • Alpha Course at the Rectory

Wednesday 31st January

09:15 • Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coates
10:00 • Leading your Church into Growth (3rd session) at Holy Trinity, Coates
19:00 • Leading your Church into Growth (2nd session) at Holy Trinity, Coates

Thursday 1st February

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

- **11:30** Funeral of David Slater at St Mary's, Whittlesey
- 14:00 U3A Visit to St Andrew's, Whittlesey

Friday 2nd February

Saturday 3rd February

10:00 • Women's Breakfast at Not Just Café

Sunday 4th February

09:30 • Morning Praise at Holy Trinity, Coates

09:30 • Holy Communion at St Andrew's, Whittlesey

11:00 • Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Mary's, Whittlesey

18:00 • Evening Praise at St Thomas, Pondersbridge

For your **PRAYERS** this week:

For our PCCs as they continue to reflect on how we might help our churches to flourish.

For the Alpha Course as it begins this week.

For those are unwell at this time and in need of healing, including: Brenda Cooper • Colin Dale • Joyce Rogers • Alison Staggs

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:

Olive Edwards • Christine King • David Slater • Rita Taylor • Alison Withers



PALM CROSSES - As Lent approaches, if you have any palm crosses floating around at home, Emily would appreciate the gift of any used palm crosses, in order to prepare the ash for Ash Wednesday. Please either bring them to church or drop them at the Rectory by Sunday 11th February. Thank you very much.



LENT GROUPS: The season of Lent is fast approaching and there will be a number of Lent Groups happening across the Benefice.

This year we will be looking at the traditional Lenten themes of: Wilderness, Fasting, Solitude, Temptation and Preparation.

Groups drawn from across the Benefice will be meeting on: Tuesdays at 7:30pm in Pondersbridge Wednesdays at 10am in Coates Thursdays at 10am in Whittlesey



LEADING YOUR CHURCH INTO GROWTH LOCAL continues this week; the morning session will be looking at the final two subjects and the evening session will be looking at 'Worship' and 'Welcome'. We had some really good discussions last week around this in the morning session and so if you are a PCC member at Holy Trinity, St Andrew's or St Thomas' - or just an interested church member, can I really encourage you to join us on Wednesday evening if you can - 7-8:30pm at Holy Trinity, Coates.



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"All things come from You, and of your own have we given You".

1 Chronicles 29:14



If you share our vision of sharing the Good News of Jesus with the communities of Whittlesey, Pondersbridge and Coates then you might like to support that vision financially.

It is very easy to give online <u>HERE</u>.

If you would like to support St Andrew's or St Mary's then we would encourage you to sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme <u>HERE</u>. Pathway Church is the operating name of the Church of England in Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates; incorporating the Parocihial Church Councils of Whittlesey Saint Andrew, Whittlesey Saint Mary, Pondersbridge Saint Thomas and Coates Holy Trinity. Our parishes also covers the areas of Eastrea, Turves and Kings Dyke.

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