

Parish News

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The Lord is risen indeed

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All are welcome to our House of God. All have their place in His Kingdom and their part to play in His work

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Dear Friends,

As I write this, war continues to rage in Ukraine and millions of people are displaced, in what is a nightmare situation, the full outcome and ramifications of which have yet to unfold. These recent events are literally the stuff of nightmares of the worst possible kind and too much watching of action films and similar programmes on the television has, perhaps, led us down a path of finding it hard to differentiate between real life and fiction. There is almost a sense of unreality as we watch the unfolding of events and see the enormous suffering and destruction from the comfort of our armchairs.

There are other worries for us, much closer to home, including the cost of fuel of all types and the threat to food supplies across the world. Of course, events move so quickly things will have changed by the time you read this.

In amongst all this, the church finds itself in the season of Lent – our preparatory time for Holy Week and Easter.

We are having to set aside much of what would normally be occupying our minds, because as Christians, there is a continuous call to support those in trouble, so we certainly have challenges to face. We are not, as it were, on the front line and so there is a slight sense of disconnection compared, say, with the people of Poland and the other countries bordering Ukraine; but nevertheless, it is incumbent on us to respond as best we can, to do something!

So how can we best help and support our sisters and brothers who have lost loved ones, family structure, homes, businesses; people who literally lost their whole way of life in a matter of a few short weeks, how can we help?

In Matthew's Gospel, the 25th chapter, we find some of Jesus' last teachings before He faced his arrest and trial and just prior to the Last Supper. In other words, this happened just before what we call Holy Week and Easter began.

We read of what is sometimes subtitled 'The Judgement of the Nations'.

³¹ "But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left.

³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right: 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. ³⁶ I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.'

³⁷ Then these righteous ones will reply: 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing?³⁹ When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you?'

⁴⁰ And the King will say: 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'"

Surely that is food for thought?

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on April 10th this year, as we follow the events of the week – we call Our Lord's Passion - culminating in Good Friday and Easter Day.

I ask, no, I beg you to join me in praying for the people caught up in the conflict we are witnessing, pray for peace and reconciliation and look for any ways in which you might help.

I am yours in Christ,

John.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Go on. You're kidding; I don't believe you."

How often have you said that when someone tells you something fantastic—something you simply can't believe to be true.



That's what Jesus' disciple **ITLHGOLMOANS** _____ (*Take every second letter to find his name*) said when he was told that Jesus had come back to life after the first Easter Day. To him it was unbelievable; it couldn't possibly happen. How was he convinced? Because he wouldn't believe he was given a special name: **ADIONURBSTDIANEQ ITLHGOLMOANS**

_____ (*Use the same code as before*)

One of the twelve disciples, Thomas, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the scars of the nails in his hands and put my finger on those scars and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later the disciples were together again indoors and Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands; then stretch out your hand and put it in my side. Stop your doubting and believe!" Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Do you believe because you see me? Happy are those who believe without seeing me."

WORDSEARCH

Find in the gridsquare the words underlined in the story above.



A short prayer to remember:
*Lord, I believe.
Help my unbelief.*

WHAT DID JESUS LOOK LIKE?

In our church, Jesus is portrayed in two stained glass windows, and we can be pretty confident that neither of them is remotely true to life.

The first is in the window dedicated to the memory of Mary Anne Maberley, in the southern aisle. It shows a handsome, blond, bearded, long haired, Anglo-Saxon, dressed in purple and red velvet. The second portrayal, above the altar, shows a slightly older, but still blond, well-built, and regal figure, swathed in a large cloak. These typically late Victorian, idealised images are similar to those I looked upon in my hometown church in Carlisle in the 1950s; but, as I began to study Renaissance art at Grammar school, I realised that Jesus was, of course, Italian, the sort of stunningly handsome young man seen in Michaelangelo's Pieta.

I am not sure when I realised that our Lord was not an Anglo-Saxon, or Italian, or European at all. He was a middle eastern Jew, and would have looked nothing like the figure represented in so many stained glass windows.

So, what did He look like?

The New Testament is little help as it contains no detailed descriptions of Jesus. Some analysts have suggested that the fact that Judas had to identify Him to the soldiers on the Mount of Olives, by kissing Him, means that Jesus was largely indistinguishable from his disciples.

We know more about the appearance of some of his relatives. His cousin, John the Baptist, is described as wearing clothes of camel's hair, living on locusts and wild honey. James the brother of Jesus, and the leader of the Jerusalem Christians after the Saviour's death, was surnamed the Just, because of his ascetic practices. St Jerome, quoting a contemporary source, says:-

" He (James) drank neither wine nor strong drink, ate no flesh, never shaved or anointed himself with ointment or bathed".

So, Jesus's brother must have had very long hair, a voluminous beard, and probably smelt rather strongly.

Jerome goes on:-

“he did not use woollen vestments but linen and went alone into the temple and prayed on behalf of the people, in so much that his knees were reputed to have acquired the hardness of camel’s knees”.

It is unlikely that James’s brother was as ascetic, since He mixed freely with people from varied backgrounds, drank a little wine and does not seem to have been a vegetarian.

Historians think that Jesus would probably have been of middle eastern, semitic appearance, between 5 feet 1 and 5 feet 5 in height, have black hair and a beard, and look like other healers and preachers of the period, with side locks, as some orthodox Jews have today. He would not have had blue eyes, but he certainly would have worn sandals.

Does any of this matter? Of course, Christians throughout the ages have idealised the appearance of Our Lord, thinking He must have been the most beautiful human being ever. But St Paul, who seemed to have little interest in the historical Jesus, would probably have said all this concern with appearances was irrelevant.

He worshipped the Risen Lord, transformed by the Resurrection.

Roger Bolton



CHRISTIAN AID STRAWBERRY TEA

Please save the date for the Christian Aid Strawberry Tea, Saturday 28th May 3-5pm in the Thomas Field Hall. £5 per person, children under 5 free.

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Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 24th April 2022

in the Church

following on from the 9.30am service

All parishioners on the Electoral Roll are very welcome to attend this meeting to find out what has been happening during the last year and to ask questions of the Vicar, the Churchwardens and other members of the PCC.



EASTER LILIES

Every year at Easter the Church is decorated with lilies in memory of a loved one. If you would like to participate, please let me know on 842780 or email me on anneisherwood@btinternet.com as the lilies have to be ordered in good time for

Easter. The cost is £3 per lily. If possible, we hope this can be paid directly into our Bank Account. Details are:

Account Name:	PCC of Little Gaddesden Parish
Account Number:	00296015
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Reference:	Easter Lilies + your surname

If direct payment is not possible, please give cash or a cheque (payable to PCC of Little Gaddesden Parish) to me or Virginia Westmacott. The book for your dedication will be in the Church on the cross aisle. Thank you.

Anne Isherwood

Good Friday Family Workshop

15th April, 9.30am in the church
followed by a short service

Hot Cross Buns, Coffee and Tea

Children's Craft Area

All Welcome

For more information, contact John Russell on
01442 214898



The Waste Land
T S Eliot (1888-1965)

April is the cruellest month, breeding
Lilacs out of the dead land, mixing
Memories and desires, stirring
Dull roots with spring rain.
Winter kept us warm, covering
Earth in forgetful snow, feeding
A little life with dried tubers,
Summer surprised us, coming over the Starnbergersee
With a shower of rain: we stopped in the colonnade,
And went on in sunlight, into the Hofgarten,
And drank coffee, and talked for an hour.
Bin gar keine Russin, stamm' aus Litauen, echt Deutsch.
And when we were children, staying at the arch-duke's,
My cousin's, he took me out on a sled,
And I was frightened. He said, Marie,
Marie, hold on tight. And down we went.
In the mountains, there you feel free.
I read, much of the night, and go south in the winter.

What are the roots that clutch, what branches grow
Out of this stony rubbish? Son of man,
You cannot say, or guess, for you know only
A heap of broken images, where the sun beats,
And the dead tree gives no shelter, the cricket no relief,
And the dry stone no sound of water. Only
There is shadow under this red rock,
(Come in under the shadow of this red rock),
And I will show you something different from either
Your shadow at morning striding behind you
Or your shadow at evening rising to meet you;
I will show you fear in a handful of dust.

Several reasons for choosing the opening lines of ‘The Waste Land’ this month: it is exactly a hundred years since it was first published, having been written over the previous two years while Eliot and his wife recovered from the effects of Spanish Flu, the last pandemic before the present one, and the world started to recover after the Great War. And of course, it’s the time of year when arguably the most famous first line in 20th century poetry is quoted - for all sorts of reasons but the general message is usually ‘Don’t get your hopes about spring too high – we’re not there yet’.

‘The Waste Land’ is remarkable – it’s very long, over 400 lines, and quite tough going, to put it mildly. Without implying that I understand it all (I certainly don’t), I think it can be helpful and more enjoyable to listen to it than to read it – I like Jeremy Irons’ CD. The poem is seemingly made up of a series of monologues in a jumble of styles by different speakers, the first of whom is an aristocratic lady of leisure. She recalls childhood events and says (in German) that she’s not a Russian but from Lithuania, so really a German. Following this is a much grimmer and more apocalyptic passage, touching on what I think are the main themes, hope followed by despair, moral uncertainty and the variable but ultimately degrading effects of modern culture. The poem is mostly in English but with phrases and snatches of several other languages, ancient and modern, and containing a host of references and allusions, ranging from Homer and Ovid to the Holy Grail of Arthurian legend, Dante and Wagner.

Nick Murray

From the Registers:

12th March Burial of Ashes Gillian Mole

20th March Holy Baptism Sophie Lambert

Annual Revision of the Electoral Roll

There was a complete revision of the church electoral roll in 2019, but we still need to check that the roll is up to date in time for the APCM on 24 April 2022. A copy of the current roll will be on display in the church on the cross aisle. If you are already on the list, please take a moment to check that your details are correct. If you have changed your address since the last revision took place in March 2021 please let me know so I can update our records.

If you are not already listed and would like to join the roll, please consider the following requirements:

You should be baptised, aged 16 years or over and:

1. be a member of the Church of England or of a church in communion with it and
 - (a) you should live in the parish
 - or
 - (b) if you live outside the parish, you should be a regular member of the congregation at St Peter and St Paul
 - or
2. be a member in good standing of a church which is not in communion with the Church of England, but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, a member of the Church of England and a regular member of the congregation at St Peter and St Paul.

What is the significance of the Electoral Roll?

Members of the church are encouraged to play an active part in the life of the church. They can vote in elections at the Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. As ever, enrollment brings both rights and responsibilities. Members are expected to contribute to the stewardship of the church and its activities in the locality.

The size of the roll determines other aspects such as, the number of representatives at Deanery Synod. It also determines our financial share (contribution to costs at the Diocesan level). Essentially, the larger the roll, the more we pay. Nevertheless, we welcome all on the roll as a record of our active and contributing parishioners who are involved with the Church and its mission.

The deadline for revisions is Monday 4th April. If you would like to discuss this further, please talk to John Russell, our churchwardens Barbara Sheard and David Scriven, or to me, the Electoral Roll Officer. If you would like to join the roll, please fill in one of the application forms available in the church.

Annabelle Grassini, Electoral Roll Officer
electoral.roll@littlegaddesdenchurch.org.uk

Fundraising for Ukraine

Thank you for your generous donations to support those affected by the situation in Ukraine. By 20th March, £5,725 (excluding Gift Aid) has been donated through collections in church and Charities Aid Foundation payment to DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal through Christian Aid. In addition, collections for British Humanitarian Aid raised £128.00. No doubt there will be additional donations that have been made directly to the charities.

The DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal raised over £200 million in its first two weeks, including £25 million in matched funding payments from the Government. On reaching the £200 million milestone, the DEC Chair of Trustees commented: "This amazing total shows what's possible when we all come together as charities, as communities, as a country, to help people who are facing unimaginable hardships". "Thank you so much to everyone who has leant their support to this appeal."

Collection buckets will continue to be available in church in the coming weeks for those who wish to make a donation. We can take donations by cash or cheque in church for both appeals. Other ways of donating are as follows:

Christian Aid

- By contactless card payment: see Annabelle Grassini or
- Online at: <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal>.

British Humanitarian Aid

- Cheques can be made out to British Humanitarian Aid and sent to
BHA, 11 Devon Road, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1RP or
- Bank transfers can be made to:
Sort Code: 23 05 80
Account: 37221139 (Metro Bank)
Name: British Humanitarian Aid

Thank you.

MARCH TO MAY

The willow shakes her graceful skirts,
As wild and windy March asserts,
Bringing light to end dark winter's grey,
And to our shores it lights the way,
For capricious April's sure to follow,
Welcoming the early swallow,
And cherry blossom and violet vie,
To reflect their beauty to the sky,
May smiles as oak awakes and birch leaf glows,
And nature prays the south wind blows,
Bringing fearless swift, the summer to excite,
With promise of golden day and velvet night.

Josie Jeffrey

SPRING HOPES ETERNAL

Spring has sprung, the grass is ris,
I wonder where the birdies is?
The birds are upon the wing
But that is just absurd
Because the wing is on the bird!

By Jimmy (Schnozzle) Durante.

I can't guarantee that is word perfect, but thank you to everyone who contacted me, it really stirred some memories!

In previous years I have seen the odd bumble bee out and about from January, right through. However cold the weather they are attracted to the winter flowering, scented shrubs, like hammamelis, Christmas box (*Sarcococca*), winter flowering clematis and shrub honeysuckle (*Lonicera fragrantissima*) but they were just not about. Perhaps they actually turn up then it's very cold, but it could be badgers: many of the bees nest beneath a tussock of grass, in the ground and badgers dig them up for honey. There are a lot of them about, we don't see them much as they are nocturnal but I have seen the signs of where they've been (road kill index: 1 badger.)

By mid-March, the hawthorns were turning green and wild plum and some blackthorn were lighting up hedgerows with pink and white blossom. A friend reported seeing four brimstone butterflies - lovely big yellow jobs. I have been getting a pair of siskins in the TWBG and I'm wondering if they are nesting locally; I would be surprised as they tend to like woodlands but perhaps they have moved in where the greenfinches used to be. They are very similar, but prettier, big bullies on the feeders though, like greenfinches.

I have seen headlines reporting that potatoes will be more expensive, due, amongst other things, to massive transportation costs, along with many other goods. Plus a severe shortage of commercial fertilisers will probably cause shortages. This country does not grow enough of our own food so perhaps now is the time to recall those wartime mottoes like Dig for Britain! Our excellent VPA (Village Produce Association) is doing such a good job and have 2kg bags of several popular types of spuds; earlies, 2nd crop and main crop for a billy bargain price of £2.50. That is a real bargain. They really do taste better and can be grown in compost bags and bins, but why not (if you don't have anywhere else to spare) dig a corner of the lawn and plant some spuds? Things like runner beans will fit nicely into the flower beds as can chard, carrots, lettuce, herbs etc. Don't bother trying to grow parsley, basil etc from seed, just split up and plant out a supermarket pot - easy peasy. I grow peas in guttering, just scrape a furrow & bung them in, always works.

Growing your own just ticks so many boxes. Cheaper, local, no fuel costs, seasonal and organic.

Commercial fertilizer is manufactured from fossil fuels and robs the soil of nutrients, so long term will bring insurmountable problems. At home you can use seaweed fertiliser, blood, fish & bone, and suchlike, all available from your friendly local VPA. All much healthier, not forgetting the exercise and the smug sense of satisfaction as you become the phantom courgette fairy. The kids can get involved too, taking great pride in producing their first strawberry or tomato, teaching them about nutrition and also keeping them off the mean streets of Little Gaddesden.

So, win, win, win! For anybody mad enough, there are one or two allotments to let at Dagnall, where I am (or hoping to be after my next physio appointment).

Josie Jeffrey

STRATFORD, EAST LONDON, EXPLORED

Stratford Station didn't appear on the London Underground map until 1946 when the new extension of the Central Line from Liverpool Street reached that point (and later continued to Ongar and Hainault). However, it had a much longer history as a railway town than that. There is a wall display in the station which shows that Stratford station opened in 1839. It would have provided a route from Liverpool Street to Colchester and further places in Essex, and became part of the Great Eastern Railway. I have sketched a base map as it was in 1902. By this time the station had become an interchange for several different passenger routes. Stratford had also been surrounded by a clever network of goods train routes with triangles and loops by which trains from any of the six lines approaching had a choice of lines which to continue their journey, often bypassing the passenger station.

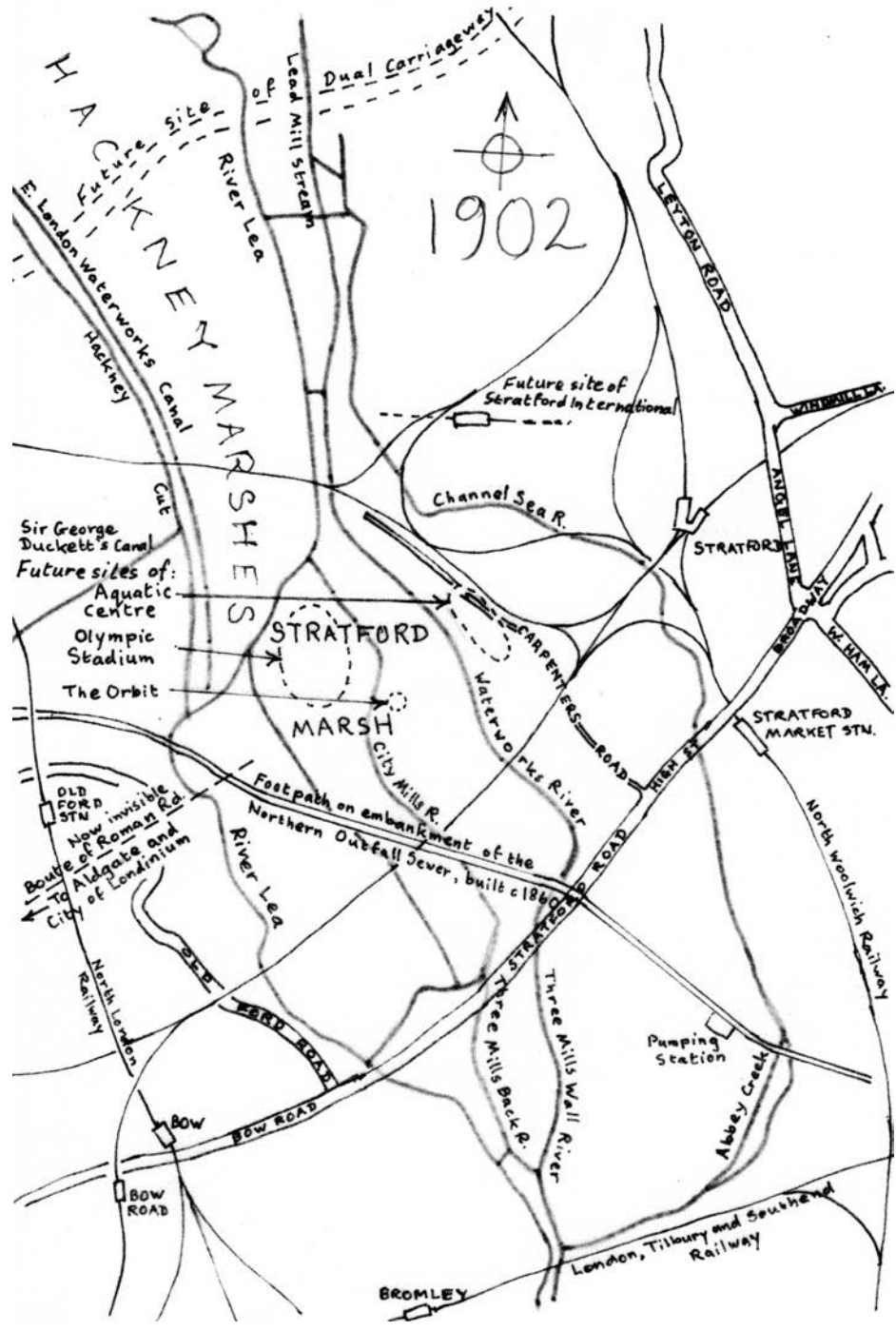
Some points of history can also be seen. Firstly, there is the marshy landscape of the Lea Valley to the west of the town, intersected by various branches of the river, many of which were man-made for commercial reasons as can be seen from their names. There are two Waterworks Rivers, Lead Mill Stream, City Mill River, Three Mills Wall River and the River Lea Navigation following the straight Hackney Cut avoiding the original main River Lea.

There was also the Roman Road from London to Colchester which has been identified by Ivan D. Margary crossing the River Lea at Old Ford close to Iceland Wharf (Iceland Road may still be there). I think it would have led out of London at Aldgate and continued north-east more or less across Stratford Marsh close to the Olympic Stadium, and followed a similar route to the TFL railway via Ilford and Romford.

An important Victorian construction was the Northern Outfall Sewer. This can be seen (and walked on) as a dead straight low embankment across the southern part of the Olympic Park. It is entirely enclosed in concrete, and is now known as the Jubilee Greenway footpath. The sewer (and perhaps the footpath) leads all the way to the great Beckton Sewage Treatment Works, a bit to the east of the London City Airport, next to Barking Creek and the Thames.

To be continued.

John Leonhardt



HACKNEY MARSHES

Sir George Duckett's Canal

Future sites of:
 Aquatic centre
 Olympic Stadium
 The Orbit

1902

STRATFORD MARSH

Future site of Stratford International

STRATFORD

STRATFORD MARKET STN.

OLD FORD STN
 Now invisible
 Route of Roman Rd.
 To Aldgate and City

Footpath on embankment of the
 Northern Outfall Sever, built c1860

Pumping Station

BROMLEY

London, Tilbury and Southend Railway

North Woolwich Railway

North London Railway

BOW

BOW ROAD

BOW ROAD

Three Mills Well River
 Three Mills Back R.

Abbey Creek

WATERLOO RIVER

WATERLOO ROAD

HIGH ST

WATLING LANE

WATLING ROAD

LETTON ROAD

Lead Mill Stream

Dual Carriageway

River Lea

E London Waterworks Canal

Hackney

Channel Sea R.

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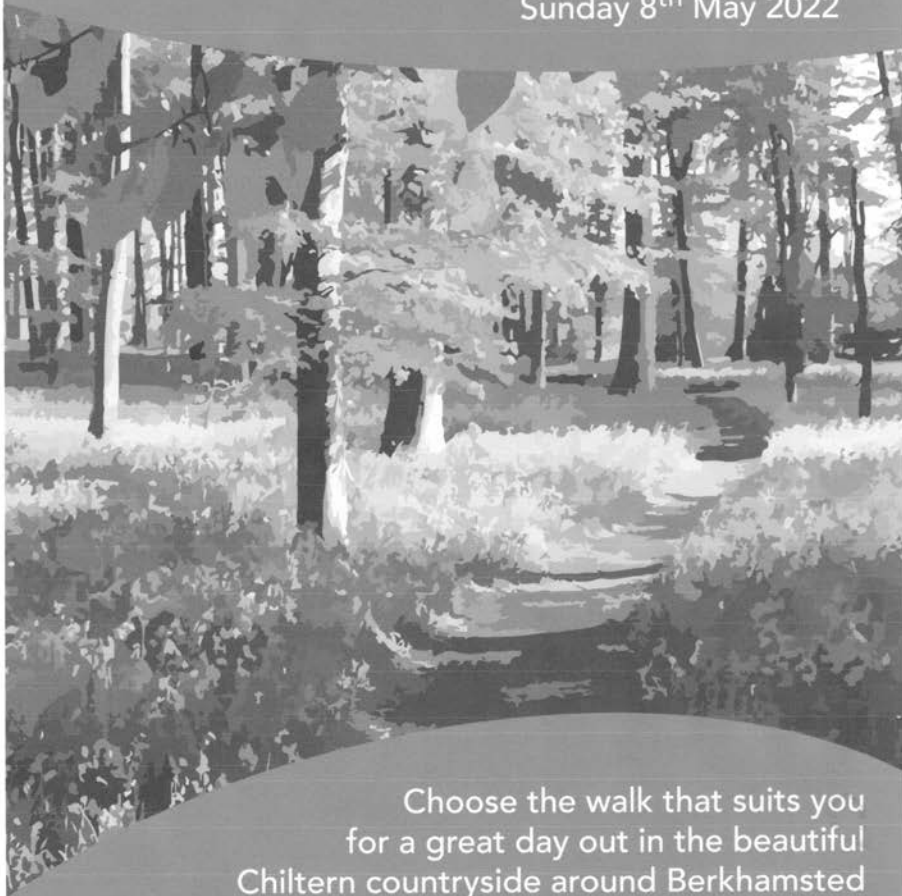


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Berkhamsted Walk

Raising funds for The Children's Society

Sunday 8th May 2022



Choose the walk that suits you
for a great day out in the beautiful
Chiltern countryside around Berkhamsted

6, 12 and 18 mile walk options



#berkhamstedwalk

For details and to register online:

www.berkhamstedwalk.com

**A prayer for Ukraine by David Thomas, Ireland's Church and Community
Manager for Christian Aid**

Lord of all people and all nations,
we lift before you the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia,
each girl and boy, each woman and man living in fear of what tomorrow might
bring.

We long for a time you spoke of through your prophet Isaiah,
when weapons of war would be beaten into ploughshares,
when nation will no longer lift up sword against nation.

We cry out to you for peace.

Protect those who only desire and deserve to live in security and safety,
comfort those who fear for their lives and the lives of their loved ones.

Change the hearts of those set on violence and aggression.

Fill earthly leaders with great wisdom to find paths to peace.

Please Lord come and have your way in your world,
may your will be done here, on earth as it is in heaven.

May your peace reign, now and always.

We lift this prayer to you, our God who is able to do
more than we can ever ask or imagine,

In the name of Christ our saviour.

Amen

St George, Martyr, Patron of England, c304, 23rd April

God of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love
in the heart of your servant George that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and by his death:

give us the same faith and power of love
that we who rejoice in his triumphs
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

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Deadline Date: Friday 22nd April

CHURCH SERVICES – APRIL

I Sunday 3rd April – Lent 5 / Passiontide begins		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evening Worship	Little Gaddesden
II Sunday 10th April – Palm Sunday		
9.00am	Morning Prayer with Blessing of the Palms	Nettleden
9.30am	Procession to church, Family Service	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Procession to church, Family Service	Great Gaddesden
Tuesday 12th April		
8.00pm	Stations of the Cross	Little Gaddesden
Thursday 14th April, Maundy Thursday		
8.00pm	Sung Eucharist with stripping of the altars	Great Gaddesden
Friday 15th April, Good Friday		
9.30am	Family workshop with hot cross buns	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Service of Witness on The Green	Little Gaddesden
2.00pm	Hour before the Cross	Nettleden
III Sunday 17th April - Easter Day		
8.00am	Holy Communion	Nettleden
9.30am	Family Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Family Communion	Great Gaddesden
IV Sunday 24th April – Easter 2		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion (with Sunday School) followed by APCM	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Great Gaddesden
I Sunday 1st May – Easter 3		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion (with Sunday School)	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evening Worship	Little Gaddesden
Mid-Week Services		
Tuesdays	9.00am Holy Communion	Great Gaddesden
Thursdays	10.00am Holy Communion	Little Gaddesden