

The church is Open every day 9-3.30pm

THE FOOD BANK BOX IS AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

Please donate as generously as possible

Bell Ringing Tuesdays 8pm contact

Philip Green 07787574872

WHIST 4th April in Church 6.30pm

Next LMP Meeting

(Local Mission Partnership)

At Deeping St. James Church on Monday

March 18th at 7.30pm

Holy Week Services 25th-29th March

Monday, Tuesday, Wed,

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion 7pm

Good Friday At the Foot of the cross

2pm

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE 31st

MARCH 10am

Easter Egg Hunt and trail

Easter Sunday 31st March 2024

11am in the Church Grounds

Family Ticket £5 (grannies included)

single ticket £2

Next Dog Show meeting

Thursday April 18th 7pm. If you can

help please contact Maggie Ball on

07922209984

Ring, Text or e-mail Erica you wish to put something on the News sheet.

All updates welcome

The Church is available for booking for activities/meetings . Please ensure these are entered in the church diary by contacting Carolyn Sumner Tel. 07808350802

St. Nicholas Church

Deeping St. Nicholas

17th March 2024

5th Sunday of Lent



Welcome to worship here today

9.30am

Morning Prayer

Hymns

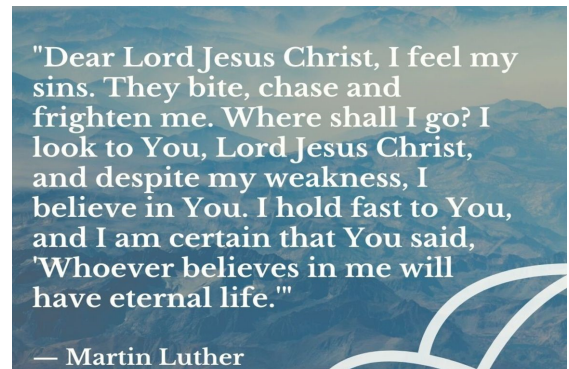
35 A New Commandment

201 Give me joy in my heart

437 Make me a channel of your peace

419 Shine Jesus Shine

Music Florence Numa



Next Week

Palm Sunday

9.30am Holy Communion

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COLLECT

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of
your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered
on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his
victory;
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.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

PSALM

Either Psalm 51:1-13

R *A clean heart create in me, O God.*

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your loving-kindness;
in your great compassion blot out my
offences.
Wash me through and through from
my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin. **R**

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.
And so you are justified when you
speak
and upright in your judgement. **R**

Indeed, I have been wicked from my
birth,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

For behold, you look for truth deep
within me,
and will make me understand wisdom
secretly. **R**

Purge me from my sin and I shall be
pure;
wash me and I shall be clean indeed.
Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the body you have broken may
rejoice. **R**

Hide your face from my sins
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy Spirit from me. **R**

Or Psalm 119:9-16

R *O Lord, how I love your law.*

How shall the young cleanse their way?
By keeping to your words.
With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not stray from your
commandments. **R**

I treasure your promise in my heart,
that I may not sin against you.
Blessèd are you, O Lord;
instruct me in your statutes. **R**

With my lips will I recite
all the judgements of your mouth.
I have taken greater delight in the way
of your decrees
than in all manner of riches. **R**

I will meditate on your commandments
and give attention to your ways.
My delight is in your statutes;
I will not forget your word. **R**

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:5-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having

been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL John 12:20-33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

POST COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our
brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of
others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for
ever.