

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

If you would like to explore the journey of Confirmation within a discovery group then Ring/text Revd. Erica Crust on 07751323584 or e-mail on erica.crust@gmail.com

Holy Week Services 25th-29th March

Monday Holy Communion 7pm

Tuesday Holy Communion 7pm

Wednesday Holy Communion 7pm

Maundy Thursday Holy Communion 7pm

**Good Friday At the Foot of the cross
2pm**

EASTER DAY SERVICE

SUNDAY 31st MARCH 10am

Easter Egg Hunt and trail

Easter Sunday 31st March

11am in the Church Grounds

Family Ticket £5 (grannies included)

single ticket £2. Everyone Welcome

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

24th March 2024



**Welcome
to worship here today
9.30am Holy Communion**

Hymns

583 Ride on Ride on in Majesty

676 This is the day

97 Christ made the sure foundation

201 Give me Joy in my heart

Music Carolyn Sumner

We pray: We give thanks that God is always alongside us in the happy times and the sad. We pray for the local community. We pray for family and friends. We pray for all in need at this time; For all victims of aggression. For the peace talks. For the ability to appreciate the preciousness of human life.

Next Week

Easter Sunday Service at

10.00am

Easter Egg trail/hunt 11am

In the church grounds

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COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the
human race sent your Son our Saviour
Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example
of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his
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.

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

GOSPEL

Either **Mark 11:1-11**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.*

When Jesus and his disciples were
approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage
and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives,
Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to
them, "Go into the village ahead of you,
and immediately as you enter it, you will
find tied there a colt that has never been
ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone
says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just
say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send
it back here immediately.'" They went
away and found a colt tied near a door,
outside in the street. As they were untying
it, some of the bystanders said to them,
"What are you doing, untying the colt?"
They told them what Jesus had said; and
they allowed them to take it. Then they
brought the colt to Jesus and threw their
cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people
spread their cloaks on the road, and others
spread leafy branches that they had cut
in the fields. Then those who went ahead
and those who followed were shouting,
"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the
coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then
he entered Jerusalem and went into the
temple; and when he had looked around at
everything, as it was already late, he went
out to Bethany with the twelve.

Or **John 12:12-16**

PSALM Psalm 118:1-2. 19-end

R *This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever." **R**

Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the
Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord;
whoever is righteous may enter." **R**

I will give thanks to you, for you answered
me

and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders

rejected

has become the chief corner-stone. **R**

This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

Hosanna, Lord, hosanna!

Lord, send us now success.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of
the Lord;

we bless you from the house of the Lord. **R**

God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches
up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God and I will thank you;
you are my God and I will exalt you."

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever. **R**

LITURGY OF THE PASSION

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

*A reading from the book of the prophet
Isaiah.*

The servant of the LORD said: The Lord
GOD has given me the tongue of a
teacher, that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word. Morning by
morning he wakens – wakens my ear to
listen as those who are taught. The Lord
GOD has opened my ear, and I was not
rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I
gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out
the beard; I did not hide my face from
insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps
me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint, and
I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near. Who
will contend with me? Let us stand up
together. Who are my adversaries? Let
them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who
helps me; who will declare me guilty?

PSALM Psalm 31:9-16

R *I have trusted in you, O Lord.
(I have said, "You are my God.")*

or

R *My God, my God, why have you
forsaken me?*

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in
trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed. **R**

I have become a reproach to all my
enemies
and even to my neighbours,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance;
when they see me in the street they avoid
me.

I am forgotten like the dead, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot. **R**

For I have heard the whispering of the
crowd;
fear is all around;
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord.
I have said, "You are my God. **R**

My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your loving-kindness save me." **R**

SECOND READING Philippians 2:5-11

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the
Philippians.*

Let the same mind be in you that was in
Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the
form of God, did not regard equality with
God as something to be exploited, but
emptied himself, taking the form of a
slave, being born in human likeness. And
being found in human form, he humbled
himself and became obedient to the
point of death – even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him and
gave him the name that is above every
name, so that at the name of Jesus every
knee should bend, in heaven and on earth
and under the earth, and every tongue
should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to
the glory of God the Father.

PASSION

Either **Mark 14:1 – end of 15**

Or **Mark 15:1-39 [40-end]**

POST COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of
a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for
our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.