



## TARPORLEY PARISH

ST HELEN'S TARPORLEY  
ST JOHN'S COTEBROOK  
ST THOMAS' EATON

*"Serving God*

*Growing in Christ*

*Reaching out"*

## *Tarporley Parish e-news*

SUNDAY 25 MARCH TO 1 APRIL 2018

### **Palm Sunday**

Sun 25 09.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's  
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READINGS PS 118: 19-END MARK 11: 1-10

Mon 26 6.00pm Holy Communion at St Helen's  
Tues 27 6.00pm Holy Communion at St Helen's  
Wed 28 10.00am Holy Communion at St Helen's

### **Maundy Thursday**

Thu 29 7.30pm Holy Communion at St Helen's  
*Followed by Vigil for those who wish to stay*  
READINGS 1 COR. 11: 23-26 FROM JOHN 13: 1-17, 31B-35

### **Good Friday**

Fri 30 11.00am Outdoor Act of Witness on High Street  
2.00pm At the Foot of the Cross at St Helen's

### **Easter Day**

Sun 1 9.00am All age Communion at St Thomas'  
10.00am All age Communion at St Helen's  
11.15am All age Communion at St John's  
READINGS FROM JOHN 20: 1-18  
6.30pm Evensong at St Helen's  
*'O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height'*  
READINGS ACTS 10: 34-43 JOHN: 1-18

### **Collects for Palm Sunday**

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. **Amen**

## 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. **Amen**

## Daily Bible Readings

Monday:	Luke	20. 1-8	<i>The Authority of Jesus is questioned</i>
Tuesday:		22. 39-53	<i>Jesus Prays and is arrested</i>
Wednesday:		22. 54-71	<i>Peter disowns Jesus; Jesus is mocked and brought before Pilate and Herod</i>
Thursday:		23. 1-25	<i>Jesus before Herod and Pilate</i>
Good Friday:		23. 26-53	<i>The Crucifixion</i>
Saturday (Easter Eve):		23. 54-56	<i>The Women at the tomb</i>



## There But Not There and Good Friday 2pm

On Good Friday our Foot of the Cross service at 2pm will incorporate the transparent figures of the soldiers named on our War Memorial as we juxtapose bible readings, poetry from WWI and sonnets of Stations of the Cross.

This will be a moving service and all are invited to attend.

## St Thomas Easter Decorating

St Thomas' will be decorating the Church for Easter on Thursday 29th March at 9.30am. and the Sacristans would very much appreciate offers of assistance from the Congregation and /or donations towards flowers

## March 200 + Club Results

First Prize	£100	No 28	Mrs E Taylor
Second Prize	£20	No 94	Mrs K Palmer
Third Prize	£10	No 128	Mrs M Ewan

## Annual Revision of the Electoral Roll

### Before 31 March

The Electoral Roll of our church is a list of people who consider themselves to be members of one of our three churches.

So if you are not already on the Roll and come to St Helen's, St Thomas' or St John's, even if it is not perhaps as often as you would like, please do add your name to our Roll by completing a form. And if you have attended in the past but are now housebound you are still very much part of our community so please do ask for and complete a form. Everyone is welcome and forms are completed by each individual - although you do have to be over 16 and baptised!

Forms can be found at the back of our churches or are available from our Electoral Roll Officer, Mike Kiddle. Please complete these and return them to Mike either by post or hand no later than the end of March: Dr M Kiddle, 1 Woodlands Way, Tarpoley. CW6 0TP.

## *Celebratory Parish Service St Helen's*

**Sunday 29 April at 10.00am**

Please join us for this special occasion, as all three churches in our Parish come together, to celebrate and give thanks for all the work and activity we have been involved with during the past year and ask for God's blessing on all that is to come. Copies of our Annual Report will be available during this shortened thanksgiving service which will be followed by refreshments. You are then invited to remain for the short meeting to elect members to the PCC and cover financial and any other business, and ask any questions you may have.

**This replaces the normal format of our APCM meeting. Please do your best to be at this service.** This is an opportunity to learn more about what we do and encourage and give thanks for one another

*Please note because of the Celebratory Parish Service on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April there will be no service at St Thomas that morning*

## *Election to the PCC*

Anyone who has been on the electoral roll for more than six months can stand for the PCC. They need to be proposed and seconded by two people (who must also be on the electoral roll) and forms to do this are at the back of church. Once completed these forms need to be returned to the PCC Secretary Marion Moss or can be given the Rector or one of the Wardens.

## *Lent Courses and Lunches*

The final meeting:

**Mar 27** : Tom & Beryl Kenny at No 1 Brookfield Close, Tarporley, CW6 9HG

*The format will be: 10:30am coffee then discussion to 12pm followed by soup or sandwich lunch*

## *Opportunity to be Confirmed*

The Bishop of Chester will join us at **St Helen's, 10am on Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> 2018** for a Parish Confirmation Service. Confirmation isn't about fully understanding God (we cannot), or having all the answers (we never will) it is an opportunity to show a willingness to receive God's love in our lives. Traditionally confirmation prepared a person to receive Holy Communion. If you have not been baptised, you can be baptised and confirmed at this service (and as you're old enough to make the promises for yourself there's no need for Godparents). The Rector will be offering a few preparation sessions to explore ideas about God, faith and what Christianity means. These will take place at 7:30pm on the first four Tuesdays in May but other times can be arranged to suit. There is no homework, no test, and no knowledge needed. The sessions are not mandatory but meant as help and support. We offer to prepare and confirm those in Year 5 and above and at our last confirmation service the ages of those involved ranged from 10 to 79. We already have several people who are taking part so you would be in good company. If you wish to know more please speak to the Rector: Georgina [revgeorgina@me.com](mailto:revgeorgina@me.com) 01829 732491

Anyone wishing to make arrangements for a Funeral please contact the Rector – Revd Georgina Watmore on 01829 732491 or via email: [admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk](mailto:admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk)

For Weddings, Baptisms and General Enquiries please contact Jan Mills via the email:

[admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk](mailto:admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk)

The Link Parish Magazine: please email items to: [jobsonajpj@btinternet.com](mailto:jobsonajpj@btinternet.com) or post to the Link Editor by the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month.

For items for the Sunday Sheet and e-news, please email before 1pm on Tuesday to [jleaman@talktalk.net](mailto:jleaman@talktalk.net) and cc to [admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk](mailto:admin@tarporleyparish.co.uk)

