

# THE PARISH OF BILBOROUGH AND STRELLEY

Changing lives through God's love in Bilborough and Strelley

## MARCH and APRIL 2018

All Saints, Strelley village



A 14<sup>th</sup> century church which is Grade I listed

St. John's, Bilborough



A beautiful 1950s church at the centre of the community

St. Martin's, Bilborough



A 14<sup>th</sup> century church which is Grade II★ listed

### May we help?



There are times in life when we all need help or just someone to talk with. Please get in touch if you need support or help.

*Please Pray..*

Thank God for all the signs of hope and life in our community

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ACCESS TO OUR THREE CHURCHES CAN BE ARRANGED UPON REQUEST

## WELCOME TO OUR SPECIAL MARCH AND APRIL BUMPER EDITION

In the run up to Easter the Church of England is running a campaign called Live Lent Let Your Light Shine.

You can sign up for daily alerts on your phone or by email at [www.churchofengland.org/lent](http://www.churchofengland.org/lent)



Lent is generally associated with giving something up; a sort of test to see what it feels like to do without the luxuries of life like chocolate.

Lent can be a time when we consider our own shortcomings as we think about the suffering of Jesus on the cross.

Jesus by dying and then rising again showed that life and light will always overcome death and darkness.

But for some people life is a daily struggle and hope can seem in short supply. Jesus spoke about being a light which could shine into the dark places of a broken world. During this Lent the 'Let your light shine campaign' urges us to think about how we might be a light in our world, bringing hope to the lives of others through prayer and practical action. Things as simple as a caring phone call can shine a light of love into someone's day and let them know that they are not forgotten.



Are you up for the 'Let your light shine' challenge?  
Where can you shine today?

**Revd Gill**

## REDUCING PLASTIC WASTE

It has been lovely to receive responses to our request for suggestions on ways to reduce plastic waste. The chocolate bar prize goes to Tony Williams for his ideas. Tony writes:

"In the Netherlands recycling is somewhat more seriously embraced, as it is on the rest of the Continent. For instance, it is not unusual for supermarket shoppers to strip down their purchases and remove excessive packaging of all types to leave for the supermarkets to recycle instead of taking it home. This then puts the onus on the supermarkets to recycle and potentially influence the manufacturers to produce less packaging, including plastics, in the first place. Perhaps we too could approach our supermarkets to do the same – remember, 'Every Little Helps'.

### *Tony's Tips for Recycling #1*

It's coming up to seed planting time of the year...

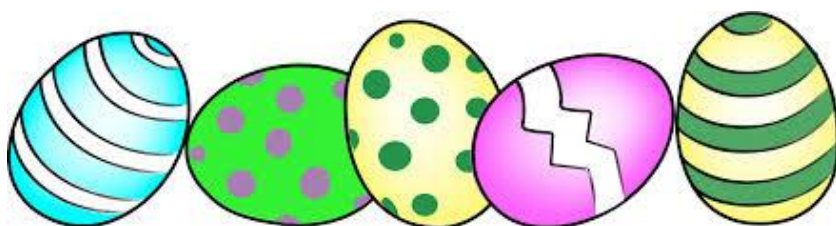
- Why not use the plastic trays that contained meat or veg for seed trays?
- Remove the base for large soft drinks bottles to make mini-greenhouses to protect your growing plants.



Look out for more of **Tony's Tips** in coming months. And keep on sending in your recycling ideas; if we print them you can win a bar of FairTrade chocolate!

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## PLEASE HELP OUR EASTER EGG HUNTS



**!!! Wanted !!!**  
donations of small  
wrapped eggs

# March Services in the Parish of Bilborough and Strelley

Please see poster for Easter Week services

<u>Date/Reading</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Minister/Lead</u>
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b>  Exodus 20: 1-17 John 2: 13-22	10.30 All Saints Holy Communion 10.30 St. John's Morning Worship 10.30 St. Martin's Morning Worship 17.30 St. John's Café Church	Revd Peter Allen Marian Henshell Revd Lillian Heptinstall
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	15.30 to 17.30. Messy Church at St. Martin's – The Easter Story Do join in - All Welcome	Revd Gill and the team
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Mothering</b> <b>Sunday</b> Exodus 2:1-10 Coloss.3:12-17	10.30 All Saints Morning Worship 10.30 St. John's Holy Communion 10.30 St. Martin's Morning Worship 15.30 St. Martin's Café Church	Revd Alison Brooks Revd Gill Hall Margaret Palmer
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>  Jeremiah 31: 31- 34 John 12: 20-33	10.30 All Saints Morning Worship 10.30 St. John's Morning Worship 10.30 St. Martin's Holy Communion 12:30 St. Martin's Baptism 15.00 All Saints Open For Prayer 17.30 St. John's Café Church Holy Communion	The team Revd Peter Allen Revd Gill Hall Revd Gill Hall The team Revd Gill Hall
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	19.30 Grown-Up Messy at St. Martin's	Revd Gill and the team

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Why not join in ? - we'd love to see you!

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat** **Musical Concert at St. Martin's, 2.00pm**, to mark the re-opening of church on Fridays and Saturdays, after the winter break. With the Aurora Sax Ensemble. Admission £4 / £3 concession
- 7<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Messy Church at St. Martin's: 3.30 – 5.30 pm**. Messy Church is for everybody – crafts, stories, worship time, fun and food
- 9<sup>th</sup> Fri** **Friday Writers' Group at St. Martin's, 2-4pm**. Join us for fun with words, thoughts and ideas. All welcome, no need to book
- 13<sup>th</sup> Tue** **Parochial Church Council meeting** at St. John's Social Centre, 7.30pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Bilborough Local History Group evening talk at St. Martin's, 7.30pm:** "Bestwood Lakes", by Stephen Walker. All welcome, no need to book. Admission £2/£1 concessions
- 20<sup>th</sup> Tue** **Grown-Up Messy at St. Martin's, 7.30pm** Discussion, craft, prayers and snacks. Just turn up, or contact Revd Gill to find out more
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sat** **Easter Concert at St. Martin's, 7.30 pm** with Nottingham Hospitals Choir. In aid of children's cancer Charities at the Nottingham hospitals See poster for details
- 28<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Local History Group Reminiscence and Research at St. Martin's, 2.30-4.30pm**. Share tales of life in Bilborough in the past, and research into local history. All welcome

### Regular weekly events at St. Martin's

Mondays: **Baby and Toddlers Group**, 9.30-11.30am during term time, £1 inc drinks/snacks  
Wednesdays: **Crafty Ladies**, 11am – 2pm each Wednesday. 50p per session, all welcome  
Fridays+Saturday: **St. Martin's open** 11am to 3pm, visitors welcome, guided tours .

**Monday Study/Lent Bible Group**, St. Martin's at 7.30pm.

Dates: 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March

**Please join us** to pray for our parish, on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 9.30am at St. John's Vestry. All welcome



## **Easter in the Parish of Bilborough and Strelley**

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Palm Sunday**

10.30am Joint service of Holy Communion  
at St. Martin's

15.30 Café Church at St. Martin's

### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

9.30am Morning Prayer at St. John's

### **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

9.30am Morning Prayer at All Saints

### **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

9.30am Morning Prayer at St. Martin's

7.30pm Chrism Eucharist at Southwell Minster

### **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Maundy Thursday**

7.30pm Maundy Thursday service at St. Martin's

### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Good Friday**

Walk Of Witness - see Follow The Cross poster

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Day**

10.30am Holy Communion at the three churches,  
All Saints. St. John's and St. Martin's

# *Follow the cross*

*An Easter Procession*

*Good Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2018*



**11.15 am: Coffee and hot cross buns at St. John's followed by reading and prayer**

**11.30 am: Walk from St John's to St. Martin's**

**12.30 pm: Light lunch at St. Martin's church followed by reading and prayer**

**1.45 pm: Walk from St. Martin's church to All Saints**

**2.30 pm: Service At The Cross, All Saints**

**ALL WELCOME**



## April Services in the Parish of Bilborough and Strelley

<u>Date/Reading</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Minister/Lead</u>
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Easter Day</b> Isaiah 25: 6-9 Acts 10:34-43 Mark 16:1-8	10.30 All Saints Holy Communion 10.30 St. John's Holy Communion 10.30 St. Martin's Holy Communion	Revd Alison Brooks Revd Peter Allen Revd Gill Hall
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	15.30-17.30 Messy Church at St. Martin's. <b>Do join us !</b>	Revd Gill and the team
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>  Acts 4: 32-35 John 20: 19-31	10.30 All Saints Morning Worship 10.30 St. John's Holy Communion 10.30 St. Martin's Morning Worship 15.30 St. Martin's Café Church	The team Revd Gill Hall The team
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<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	19.30 Grown-Up Messy at St. Martin's	The team
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>  Acts 4: 5-12 John 10: 11-18	10.30 All Saints Holy Communion 10.30 St. John's Holy Communion 10.30 St. Martin's Morning Worship 17.30 St. Martin's Café Church	Revd Alison Brooks Revd Gill Hall Revd Richard Shaw
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b> Acts 8: 26-40 John 15: 1-8	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>10.30 Joint service of Holy Communion at St. John's</b></p> No evening service at St. John's	

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- 4<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Messy Church at St. Martin's: 3.30 – 5.30 pm.** For families and their carers. Crafts, things to do or play with, story time and songs, and share a meal
- 10<sup>th</sup> Tue** **Parochial Church Council meeting** at St. John's Social Centre, 7.30pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Bilborough Local History Group evening talk at St. Martin's, 7.30pm:** "Lost Churches of Nottingham", by Doug Fletcher. All welcome, no need to book. Admission £2/£1 concessions
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- 24<sup>th</sup> Tue** **Annual General Meeting of the PCC, 7.30pm** St. John's Social Centre
- 25<sup>th</sup> Wed** **Local History Group Reminiscence and Research at St. Martin's, 2.30-4.30pm.** Share tales of life in Bilborough in the past, and research into local history. All welcome
- 28<sup>th</sup> Sat** **Parish Quiz Night at St. Martin's, 5.45 for 6pm.** See poster/flyers. The focus is on children, dinosaurs and fun for all. No booking. Admission £3, concessions £2, under 16s free. Inc light refreshments.

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Fridays+Saturndays: **St. Martin's open** 11am to 3pm, visitors welcome, guided tours .

**Monday Study**, St. Martin's at 7.30pm. Dates: 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April (14<sup>th</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> June)

**Please join us** to pray for our parish, on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 9.30am at St. John's Vestry. All welcome

Nottingham Hospitals Choir

*presents*

# AN EVENING OF EASTER MUSIC

including pieces by Haydn, Brahms,  
Fauré, Handel and Mozart

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**

**St. Martin's Church, St. Martin's  
Road, Bilborough NG8 3BH**

In aid of children's cancer Charities at the  
Nottingham hospitals

Tickets: £4 in advance  
from the church, or call  
07891 494377, or  
Rosemary 0115 9298838  
or pay at the door £7



# Mondays at St Martin's 7.30pm

\* Asking \* Searching \* Talking \* Praying \*



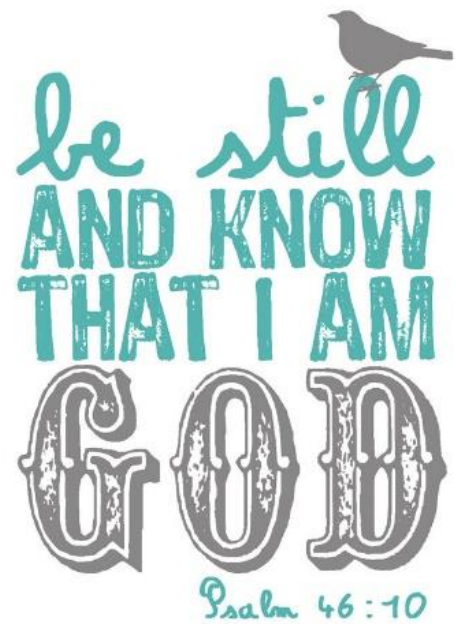
Mondays

19th Feb, 26th Feb,

5th March, 12th March and

19th March.

Mondays 16th April, 30th April,  
14th May, 4th June



For more information contact Revd Gill 01 159678749

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Prayer Requests: If you would like us to pray for you or for someone you love, contact Revd Gill

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May the special  
blessings of Easter  
be with you all

With love from the  
Parish of Bilborough  
and Strelley

Our monthly Newsletter is also available online to view, download, and follow links at the All Saints' and St. Martin's websites:

<http://www.allsaintschurchstrelley.org.uk/> or

<http://www.stmartinshiddentreasures.org.uk/> Please tell friends.

- The Newsletter is available in large print on request
- If you know someone who is unable to get to church at the moment and doesn't have internet access, we can arrange to post the Newsletter to them. Please contact Revd. Gill

Sue Marshall compiles our Newsletter; please let Sue have any comments or suggestions at [sueamarshall@virginmedia.com](mailto:sueamarshall@virginmedia.com) or speak to Revd. Gill. The May edition is due 29 April

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