

What's happening in the Team this week*For more details of local events, please see Team News**All at St. Mary's Beaminster*

Sun 20 March 6pm Prayers for Peace
Tues 22 March 2pm Lent Group meets
Wed 23 March 10am Eucharist
 11-12.30 Walk in Wednesday

THE HUB — By Revd. Canon David Baldwin

The first of the APCMs have now taken place and it has been good to welcome a new member onto the PCC at Seaborough. As I write this week's Hub I will be at Salway tonight (Thursday) and at Drimpton on Saturday morning. I will update you next week on the situation at Drimpton and their future. This week we have Netherbury's meeting and I hope to see a good gathering at that.

This Sunday at 6.00 pm we will be holding a time of prayer and reflection for peace and the people of The Ukraine and Russia and for those countries that are first places of reception for the millions of refugees making their way across the borders in search of safety. in St Mary's Beaminster. This will be for 30 minutes and we would love to welcome people gathered from across the team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have responded personally to the DEC appeal.

It is with great sadness that I write to inform you of the death of Carol Lindsey following a time of deteriorating health. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Hugh and his family at this time. Since moving to Beaminster almost twelve years ago Carol has been a regular worshiper at Beaminster and greatly supported Hugh in his role as Churchwarden. Carol's funeral will be at 2.30 pm on Friday 1st April at Beaminster.

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Third Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 55. 1-9
Psalm 63. 1-8
1 Corinthians 10. 1-13
Luke 13. 1-9

Purple Year C

Collect

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy
but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before
he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in
the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way
of life and peace;
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.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the
temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you,
the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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First Reading — 1 Corinthians 10. 1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Gospel Reading — Luke 13. 1-9

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them - do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Prayers for Peace

6-6.30pm Sunday 20th March
St Mary's Church Beaminster

Join us for a half hour of prayer, readings, silence and music focused on peace around the world and particularly peace between Ukraine and Russia.

Everyone is welcome to take part, to observe, to light a candle, to pray or to participate in whatever way suits you best.

Church Knitters

St Mary's Church knitters (there are some out there) have dispatched 12 childrens' knitted blankets, 12 knitted baby vest sets and 5 large knitted blankets to the Ukraine. We hope and pray that they may bring comfort to desperate people.

Jean Owen (on behalf of the knitters and sewer upper!)



Saturday 26 March.

**4-5.30pm in St Mary's,
Beaminster**

Contact Rev Jo

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or see our website

www.beaminsterteamchurches.org

Church Office

Please note that the office will be closed from Monday 21—Frid 25 March.

Items for the 27 March edition of Pew News should be sent to Revd. Jo at revneary@gmail.com.
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Eco Pause for Thought: Recycling... Remember to re-cycle old newspapers and magazines - they can be reborn in a week and for every ton of recycled newspaper, 17 trees are saved.