



In Touch

OUR SERVICES TODAY, SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

8.30am	Holy Communion [BCP], at Rockbeare Church
10am	Morning Prayer, at Broadclyst Church
10am	Morning Service, at Rockbeare Church
10.30am	CMC Hope Church, at Pinhoe School
<u>10.30am</u>	Holy Communion, at Pinhoe Church

OUR SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 24 MARCH 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

8.30am	Holy Communion, at Hall Church, Pinhoe
10am	Holy Communion, at Broadclyst Church
10am	Holy Communion, at Clyst Honiton Church
10.30am	CMC Hope Church, with Communion, at Pinhoe School
6.30pm	Holy Communion, at Sowton Church

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 24 MARCH: Isaiah 55: 1-9; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13; Luke 13: 1-9

NB ALSO: SUNDAY 31 MARCH [MOTHERING SUNDAY]:

10AM CMC JOINT COMMUNION SERVICE, ROCKBEARE CHURCH

~ OR 10.30AM HOPE CHURCH, PINHOE SCHOOL, AS NORMAL

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The Office opens on Monday mornings, 11am-12.30pm, and Thursday mornings, 9am-12.30pm; NB closed on Bank Holidays.

Any pre-planned changes to the office-times are on [the Clyst Mission Calendar](#).

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 15: 1-12 ^{NIV}

God promises Abraham that his descendants will become as numerous as the stars in the sky.

After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.”

² But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” ⁵ He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

⁷ He also said to him, “I am the Lord, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”

⁸ But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?”

⁹ So the Lord said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.”

¹⁰ Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. ¹¹ Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away.

¹² As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 ^{NIV}

Paul reminds the Philippians that they are citizens of God's kingdom in heaven.

Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. ¹⁸ For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

Gospel: Luke 13: 31-35 ^{NIV}

Jesus expresses his sorrow for Jerusalem and its criticism of him.

At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you."

³² He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' ³³ In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!

³⁴ "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. ³⁵ Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Post Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Week beginning Sunday, 17 March

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Monday, 18	10am	Clyst Caring Coffee Club, Hall Church, Pinhoe
Tuesday, 19	10am	Events Meeting, 1 Slade Mews, Rockbeare
	7.30pm	Ladies' Book Club, Mosshayne Farm Cottage, West Clyst
Wednesday, 20	9.15am	Little Angels [babies / toddlers], Victory Hall, Broadclyst
	10am	Coffee Club, Clyst Honiton
	11am	Communion service, The Court, Rockbeare
	Noon	Lent Lunch for Christian Aid [until 1.30pm]
	7.30pm	Lent Course, Hall Church, Pinhoe
Thursday, 21	3.30pm	Messy Church, Pinhoe School

Week beginning Sunday, 24 March

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Monday, 25	10am	Clyst Caring Coffee Club, Hall Church, Pinhoe
	Noon	Funeral of John Rowe, Rockbeare Church
Tuesday, 26	10am	Chatterbox, Broadclyst Church
	10.15am	Bible Study Group, Hall Church, Pinhoe
	Noon	Soup & Pud Lunch, <u>Rockbeare</u> Village Hall
Wednesday, 27	9.15am	Little Angels [babies / toddlers], Victory Hall, Broadclyst
	10am	Knitting Box, Broadclyst Church
	10am	Coffee Club, Clyst Honiton
	2.30pm	Open The Book rehearsal, The Mede, Rockbeare
	7.30pm	Social & Fundraising Committee, 4 Tithebarn Copse, Pinhoe
	7.30pm	Lent Course, Hall Church, Pinhoe
Thursday, 28	10am	Knit & Natter, Hall Church, Pinhoe
	7.30pm	Pinhoe APCM, Hall Church, Pinhoe
Saturday, 30	10am	Clyst Caring Friends Coffee Morning - Hall Church, Pinhoe
	1pm	Wedding of Joseph Somerwill & Sarah Watts, Pinhoe Church

LENT LUNCH, WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH, NOON-1.30PM, HALL CHURCH, PINHOE

Come along and enjoy lunch while simultaneously supporting Christian Aid!

WORLD BOOK DAY ONGOING CELEBRATION OF READING AT BRIDGE BOOKS, EXETER

Adults; children: do visit this shop for ideas about the many benefits of reading – and bag a bargain.

BROADCLYST CHURCH PLANT SALE 2019, SATURDAY 18 MAY, 10AM-12.30PM

Please do come along then, ready to restock your garden. In the meantime, if you can yourself contribute plants or other items either for sale or for the draw, or if you can help at the event, please contact William Parker on 01392 881570.