

## NOTICES

### Sunday 1st May

10.30 am Cherhill Benefice Communion

Monday 2nd May	10.00am to 11.30pm, Heddington Coffee Morning
Tuesday 3rd May	1.30pm to 3pm Lent group, The Rectory, Cherhill
Wednesday 4th May	9.15am – 11.15am, Little Fishes
Sunday 8th May	9.45am Calstone Morning Worship 6.00pm Cherhill Informal Evening Worship 10.00am Compton Bassett Holy Communion 11.15am Heddington Family Morning Worship

Linda is arranging an informal talk by a member of CMJ- the Church's Ministry among Jewish people. It will be a short presentation on the work of the mission and information on Jewish Feasts and Festivals. If enough people are interested this would take place on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May** at Linda's house. Please contact Linda as soon as possible if you would like to book.

#### Contact details

**Administrator:** Lorraine Stewart 01249 815198

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Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9.00am to 3.00pm

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PLEASE use number shown above**

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(Work days Thursday, Friday, Sunday)

You will find contact details for the churchwardens in the Villages magazine.

1st May  
3rd Sunday  
of Easter  
Acts 9.1-6, John 21.1-19

New beginnings

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the  
disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by  
his risen life and serve you continually in  
righteousness and truth.



8th May  
4th Sunday of  
Easter

New Life

**Given the ongoing uncertainty regarding the health risks posed by the omicron variant, it seems advisable to continue to take extra care during our services.**

**It is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face mask during services. You are, of course, welcome to continue wearing one for the time being if you wish**

**With the warmer weather having arrived, we will continue to keep the doors open where possible to ensure a flow of air.**

**Children** are always welcome in our churches, but unfortunately, we cannot provide toys or books at this time.

**A loop system** may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

## New Testament Reading: Acts 9.1-6 NIV

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

"Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

## Gospel Reading: John 21.1-19 NIV

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter,

"Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

## Gospel Reading (Continued)

Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

### Administrator Vacancy

As most of you may know, Lorraine is retiring from her post in July.

If you think this may be the sort of role that would suit you, please contact: **Rev'd Matt Earwicker on: Tel: 01249 821329**

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**The Lent Group at The Rectory** will be continuing from this week as a regular (twice-monthly) opportunity to chat over tea and cake, discuss the Bible, and pray for each other.

The dates until the summer are:

**3, 17 May**

**7, 21 June**

**5, 19 July**

**All will be from 1.30 - 3pm.**

**Linda's Thursday evening Lent Group** has restarted and has combined with our Bible Study group. We will be meeting fortnightly. The next meeting is on:

**Thursday 12th May at 7.15pm at 10 Home Farm Close**

Anyone is very welcome to join us."