

# Christ Church Higher Bebington



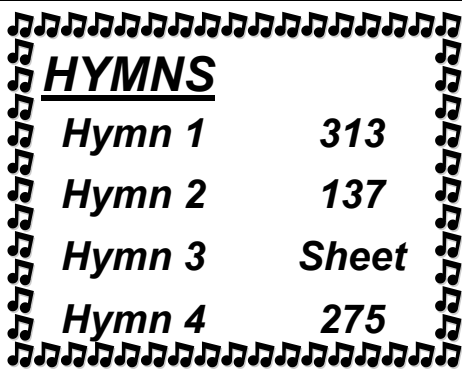
**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Sidespeople today:** Barbara Mayers, David Evans, Diane Shaw, Terry Cunningham.

**Next Week:** Michael Blackburn, Linda White, John Boisson, Gail Boisson.

This morning Rev. Mike Loach will preach at our 10am All Age Worship service for Mothering Sunday. We are joined by our Rose Queen and her retinue. Weekly sermons are available on the church website: [christchurchbeb.org.uk](http://christchurchbeb.org.uk)



<b><u>HYMNS</u></b>	
Hymn 1	313
Hymn 2	137
Hymn 3	Sheet
Hymn 4	275

## Prayer for the week

**God of love,  
passionate and strong,  
tender and careful:  
watch over us  
and hold us all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



After the Mothering Sunday service, Mothers' Union will be accepting donations for the "Make a Mother's Day" appeal. Members of the congregation may wish to give something in memory of their mother.

## Thoughts for the week

"Because I feel that, in the Heavens above  
The angels, whispering to one another,  
Can find, among their burning terms of love  
None so devotional as that of 'Mother'"  
*Edgar Allen Poe*

"There is nothing more fundamental to the Christian faith than the message that God loves us, come what may. It's what the word 'grace' means: God's gratuitous acceptance. Whenever conditions are attached to God's love, the gospel is undermined and falsified."  
*Dave Tomlinson*

## **BAPTISM WELCOME**

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism. By one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**We welcome you into the  
fellowship of faith;  
We are children of the same  
heavenly Father,  
we welcome you.**



Please bring in any Children's Society collecting boxes for Richard Woolham to count.

The first reading is from Colossians 3: 12-17.

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (19: 25b-27).

**Glory to you O Lord.**

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March** Confirmation classes in the Vicarage.

Children's class starts at **6.30pm**. Adult's class starts at **8.00pm**.



Film Morning on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am** will be showing "Goodbye Christopher Robin" in the Kings Hall. £3.50 admission including unlimited light refreshments.

On **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 8.15pm** there will be Compline in the Chancel lasting for about 20 minutes. This will continue every Tuesday during Lent.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**9.30-11.45am**

Connect Café  
in the Kings Hall

All are very welcome.



Churches Together in Bebington Lent Meeting **here** on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**March**. Meet at 10.30am for coffee, discussion from 11am followed by light lunch.



Oasis Mental Health Support Group **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
**1.30pm** in Troughton Room. All are very welcome.

'Not Quite a Reading Group'  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2.00 - 3.30pm**  
in Troughton Room.

Lent Reading Group  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm** in the Vicarage  
As we discuss David Tomlinson's  
"How to be a bad Christian"

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7.00-9.00pm** Boulders' Social in Kings Hall.



**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 4.00pm** Noisy Church: a monthly interactive musical experience of Church for young families (pre-school children) with Bible stories, lots of noise, great activities and refreshments. Programme lasts less than an hour and will include teas and coffees and cake for parents.

**Anyone willing to bake for Noisy Church, please let Mike or Krista know.**

Experience Easter – Our local schools will be visiting on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 9.30-11.30 am** and **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 1.30 – 3.30 pm**. There will be a meeting after Church today to finalise details.



Singing Café  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
**10.30am - 12 noon**  
in Kings Hall.  
All are welcome.



**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
4C's Carer's Group will be meeting in the Troughton Room. All carers past or present are welcome to join us for a light lunch.

Churches Together in Bebington Lent Meeting at **St. John's, New Ferry** on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**. Meet at 10.30am for coffee, discussion from 11am followed by light lunch.



Knit and Natter  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**  
**1.30pm - 3.30pm**  
in Community Centre

We will be showing 'Chocolat' on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 7.30pm** in the **Kings Hall** as part of the Lent film series. There will be an opportunity to discuss the film in a relaxed setting on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March** in the **Troughton Room** at 7.30pm.

The venue for the March Men's Supper Club is the Cheshire Yeoman in Ledsham (off the Welsh Road). A table for 16 is booked for **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**. Please let John Theobald know on 645 1083 if you are interested in attending.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY (29<sup>th</sup> March)**– Shared supper with communion and (optional) foot washing 6 pm. Please sign up if you are able to join us and indicate if you are willing to provide a cooked slow cooker casserole. French bread will be provided and apple pie for dessert.

Rose Queen Bingo **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** 6.00pm-8.00pm in the Kings Hall



The foodbank is making an urgent plea for the following items please: tea, tinned spaghetti, shampoo, fruit squash and toothpaste. Any donations can be left in the collection boxes in the foyer of the Community Centre. Many thanks.

It is that time of year when church warden's minds turn to making lists and rotas!. The first on the horizon is the Sidespersons rota. We are very grateful for all the assistance that these people have given over the last year. Thank you so much. We would be delighted if all the current Sidepersons remain on the list. If you are unable to continue or are willing to join our merry band please let either Rhona or Gary know A.S.A.P.

St Johns, Meols have been working on a whole Parish project re-imagining the Stations of the Cross. This is open to the public from **12<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> March each day between 10am & 4pm**. The *journey* is suitable for all ages. There will be prayer ministry for those who want it and refreshments.

**Funerals last week:** Valerie Craft, Diane Lawrence.

**Funerals next week:**

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Janet Silcock	Landican Centre
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Kenneth Allen	Christ Church

**Anniversaries:** Thomas Wood, Madeline Harford, Olive Vera Ogden, Oriel Parnell, Marguerite Constance Hellaby, Margaret Edge, Sheila Jones, Stephen Brennan, Alfred Manley, Edie Ritchie, Gilbert Price, Freddy Rehill.

If you have a concern or a thanksgiving for which you would appreciate prayer please approach a member of the pastoral team who will pray confidentially with you.

**Prayer List:** Sharon Beecham, Ann Bisbrown-Lee, George Bond, Helen Byrne, Yvonne Cranny, Elsa Dowling, Nora Duncan, Denise Foster, Mary Garland, Paul Goulden, Sylvia Haswell, Simon Hayes, Pam Hollinshead, Lyndsey Howard, Richard Kelly, Kathleen Mary Malcolm, Wendy Martin, Brenda McGrattan, Diane Murphy, Lorraine Petropoulou, Rita Quine, Jeffry Robinson, Sheila Rogers, Joanne Russell, John Russell, Ina Shorrocks, Janet Shorrocks, Sam Smith, Ann Tait, Keira Taylor, Judy Tomlin, Jackie Turner, Keelin Turner, Kathleen Whittaker, Whittaker Family, Cliff White, Cara Elise.

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