



ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE

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St Mary's is committed to inclusivity
and there is always a warm welcome
for all.



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Sunday 21st March 2021

Lent 5

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty upon arrival.

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TODAY WE USE THE LENT RECYCLABLE SERVICE SHEET

Sorry, no 8am Eucharist until Easter Day

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

At 10am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park

Procession Lift high the cross

Offertory There's a wideness in God's mercy

Communion From heav'n you came

Recessional To God be the glory

Celebrant: Mtr Jo. Preacher & Cantor: Fr Damian. Warden: Peter

Gruncell. Welcome: Joan Gruncell & Jenny Bright. Server:

Catherine Wareham-Davies. Readers: Peter Gruncell & Andrew

Falconer. Intercessions: Fr Gerard.

Pre-recorded music will be used for the Mass.

Sunday 10am Mass is available to view by the same afternoon at:

<https://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk/videos>

11am Zoom Coffee & Chat Please click [here](#) to join

11.30am Family Service with congregation and online

Led by: Mother Jo. Welcome Fr Damian & Susi Thornton.

Theme: Preparing for Palm Sunday.

4pm The Big Quiz – Click [here](#) to book your place!

7pm Compline on Facebook Live

Led by: Fr Gerard.

Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.

Children's Colouring Sheets are available via our weekly mailer –

please contact stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com to sign up.

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick (immediate need): Jenny Pike, Dennis Ives, Sue Bruce, Brenda, Lyn Borley, Lesley, James & his family, Rosemarie Dancer, Ian Dean, Andrea, Andrew Buchanan, Alice Armstrong, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** Lionel Pike, Evie, June, Jannette Taunton, Sue Dean, John Brittain, Serina Tatham, David de Ville, Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, David Oldfield, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves & Meryl.

General Prayer Requests: All affected by Covid-19, and those in the NHS facing a second wave of infections & vaccine roll-out planning, terrorism & natural disasters. Our clergy team, churchwardens and PCC. **The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Janet Harvey, Betty Morgan, Bishop Paul Barber, Michael Gover, Robert Marsh.

A very warm welcome to members of other church communities who are currently joining us for some of our online worship. You can download the latest service sheet for the Eucharist at

www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk

Runnymede Food Bank – Do continue to leave your contributions in the green crate outside the (old) Rutherwyke Room / Link door (under the canopy). These will be collected regularly.

Exploring the Beatitudes with Rev Dr Alan Falconer, starts Tuesday 20th April 7.30pm for 4 weeks. Click [here](#) for full details & to book.

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday	Morning Prayer online
Tuesday	Morning Prayer online 10.30am Thorpe Primary School 'Collective Worship' via Zoom with Fr Damian from Church 2pm Prayers for Covid anniversary of 1 st lockdown. 7.30pm SCP Mass from St Mary's via Zoom
Wednesday	Morning Prayer online 10am Said Eucharist with congregation in Church & online 2pm Lent Group Session via Zoom, detail below 7.30pm Lent Group Ses'n via Zoom, detail below
Thursday	Morning Prayer online Annunciation to The BVM 7.30pm Sung Festival Eucharist In Church & Live on Facebook.
Friday	Fr Damian off-duty today Morning Prayer online
Saturday	Morning Prayer online 10am Said Eucharist with congregation & online



Next Sunday – 28th March 2021

Palm Sunday

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

7pm Compline online

ST MARY'S CHURCH REMAINS OPEN FOR COVID-SECURE COMMUNAL WORSHIP AND FUNERAL SERVICES

Until Holy Week we are offering three services of communal worship weekly: Wednesday 10am, Saturday 10am & Sunday 10am.

Do NOT leave your home or attend Church if you feel unwell in any way at all. Thank you for your understanding.

PLEASE NOTE COVID PROCEDURES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES

Please come in good time to follow entry procedure: Follow the one-way footpath around the church through the churchyard and queue remaining 2 metres from the person in front. Entrance is via the Rutherwyke Room kitchen/back door. All must wash their hands, wear a face mask* and sign-in (for Test & Trace purposes). Please do not sing. Please only sit on the chairs spaced at 2 metres and follow the one-way-system through church at all times. THANK YOU for complying to KEEP US SAFE.

Lent Groups on Zoom – Wednesday 2pm and 7.30pm

Theme "Out of the desert into hope!" (prepared by Mtr Jo).

2pm click [here](#) or Meeting ID: 842 7293 0481, Passcode: 754958.

7.30pm click [here](#) or Meeting ID: 896 9513 8298, Passcode: 128427

LOOKING AHEAD – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – Festival Eucharist (Mass) Thursday 25th March 7:30pm

PALM SUNDAY LITURGY* – 28th March 10am

Holy Monday & Tuesday 10am Service [uploaded to Facebook](#).

10am Holy Wednesday – Healing Eucharist with congregation and online

Maundy Thursday Liturgy – 1st April 7:30pm

GOOD FRIDAY – 2nd April 11:30am Family Service*, 1pm Liturgy

HOLY SATURDAY – 3rd April 7:30pm Easter Vigil Liturgy

EASTER DAY – 4th April 8am Said Eucharist,

10am Parish Festival Eucharist (Mass)*,

11:30am Family Mass* & 7pm Compline

* For some services you will need to reserve your place in Church. Visit: <https://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk/register-to-attend> to book today.

Gift Aided donations/Collection for Services via <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/> click **DONATE**. Cheques: Thorpe PCC.

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com please.

COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31.31–34

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 51.1–12

R A clean heart create in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offences. Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. **R**

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgement. **R**

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother’s womb. For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly. **R**

Purge me from my sin and I shall be pure; wash me and I shall be clean indeed. Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice. **R**

Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me. **R**

SECOND READING Hebrews 5.5–10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, ‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you’; as he says also in another place, ‘You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.’ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL John 12.20–33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. ‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – “Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN 1

George William Kitchen 1872-1912

*Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name!*

Come, Christians, follow where our Saviour trod,
o'er death victorious, Christ the Son of God.

O lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou has promised, draw us unto thee.

Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
of him who saves from fear of death and hell:

Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease
beneath the shadow of its healing peace:

HYMN 2

Frederick William Faber 1814-1863

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heav'n;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgement giv'n.

But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he would not own.
There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed,
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind,
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our hearts would find assurance
in the promise of the Lord.



HYMN 3

Graham Kendrick b.1950

From heav'n you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn.
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.

Come see his hands and his feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space,
to cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

HYMN 4

Frances Jane van Alstyne 1820-1915

To God be the glory! great things he hath done;
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son;
who yielded his life an atonement for sin
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
let the earth hear his voice;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory;
great things he hath done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
to ev'ry believer the promise of God:
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receive.

Great things he hath taught us,
great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

STAY AT HOME 	PROTECT THE NHS 	 save lives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only go outside for food, health reasons or work (where this absolutely cannot be done from home)• Stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people• Wash your hands as soon as you get home		