

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

NOTICE SHEET FOR SUNDAY 15th MARCH 2026



Here for Christ – here for you

Mothering Sunday **The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

A very warm welcome if you are joining us today. Please join us for refreshments after the 10am service.

Our services are in Church and on Zoom. We usually video the 8am sermon and 10am service and upload them on Facebook later. If you would like to join any of our services on Zoom, please ring 01603 250844 or email Catherine Richmond on services@christchurch-eaton.org.uk for the details.

If you would like a visit from Patrick the Vicar, or more information, please fill in one of the Welcome Cards you will find in the pews and hand it to Patrick, a warden or a sidesperson.

8 am **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and readings p.91)

10 am **All Age Service for Mothering Sunday**

Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Anthem: *Song of Mary* - Richard Shephard

Voluntary: *Prélude en forme de marche (from Suite de concert)* - Denis Bédard

6 pm **Evening Prayer** on Zoom and at the Vicarage

Christ Church is usually open for Private Prayer from 10.30am to 4pm each day

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Charity of the Month: *Norwich Diocese Mothers' Union Refugee Resettlement Project* - buying suitable bedding for all vulnerable families coming to Norfolk through the Home Office scheme. For more information, please see the display at the back of church, where you will also find donation envelopes.

EVENTS

Events are at Christ Church unless otherwise stated

Sunday 15th Foodbank Collection

3.00 pm Eaton Concert Series at St Andrew's. Elodie Chousmer-Howelles (violin) and Julian Chan (piano) will perform a programme of French music, including sonatas by Saint-Saens, Poulenc and Tailleferre
Tickets: £15, students £7.50, children free. More information:
eatonconcertseries.co.uk/events

Monday 16th

12.30 pm Lent Lunch at St Andrew's Church Hall. All welcome
2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All welcome

Wednesday 18th

10.30 am Eaton Mothers' Union meet to share a favourite poem or hymn.
Ruth Vaughan (504849)
7.30 pm Lent Course: *Draw Near: Life-giving habits for Lent* at 161 Newmarket Road

Sunday 22nd Foodbank Collection

7.00 pm Eaton Choral Society Concert. Fauré's *Requiem* and *Sea Requiem* by Susanna Self, the choir's director. Tickets: £10 on the door.

Monday 23rd

12.30 pm Lent Lunch at St Andrew's Church Hall. All welcome
2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All welcome
2.30 pm Holy Communion at The Hawthorns, Unthank Road. All welcome

Wednesday 24th

7.30 pm Lent Course: *Draw Near: Life-giving habits for Lent* at 161 Newmarket Road

Saturday 28th

9.45 am - 12noon Easter Workshop for children aged 5-11 at St Andrew's Church Hall
10.00 am Choir Rehearsal

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 22nd MARCH

The Fifth Sunday of Lent - Passiontide begins

8 am BCP Holy Communion (Collect and readings p.94)
10 am Family Communion (Ezekiel 37:1-14; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45)
6 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and at the Vicarage

NEWS AND NOTICES

Easter Workshop for 5-11s

Saturday 28th March, 9.45am-12noon, at St Andrew's Eaton. Fun, games, crafts, Bible stories and refreshments. Free event. Please email eatonchildren@gmail.com to book a place.

Thank You!

Huge thanks to

- all who organised the Lent Lunches and the Quiz and Chips
- all who prepared and participated in our Mothering Sunday service

Charity of the Month Donations

Christ Church and St Andrew's raised £280 for Wycliffe Bible Translators (January's charity) and £383 for Hope into Action (February). Thank you to all who have given so generously. *Donations Team*

talk@two: Advance Notice

The first talks of 2026 will be at 2pm on Friday 8th May, *Norwich Shawls by Helen Kennett*, and Friday 19th June, *D.J. Taylor on Orwell and God*. All welcome. Talks are followed by discussion and refreshments. *Bridget Archer and Julie Bolt*

Another Toilet Twinning!

Thanks to the generosity of the 10am Congregation we have raised another £240 and twinned our toilet with 4 in Esiphezeni, Umzingwane, Matabeleland, South Province, Zimbabwe. We are now twinned with 4 school or community blocks and 25 toilets in 11 countries.

Easter Card Distributors

Thank you to all those who share in the ministry of delivering cards in the parish at Easter and Christmas. The Easter cards will be in church from Monday March 16th and if you can kindly collect and deliver them by Palm Sunday March 29th, that would be much appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact me or your area coordinator whose name will appear on your bundle. *Many thanks. Jeff Arden (455382)*

Children's Work Prayer Cards

Please take a prayer card from the back of church and pray for our work with children and their families.

Thank you

Taizé Pilgrimage

Bishop Graham is taking a group of young adults (18-35s) on a subsidised trip to Taizé for a week in July. More information is at dofn.org/taize or, if you'd like to find out what the trip is like, speak to William Visick who has been 3 times and hopes to go again this year.

Attendance Figures

1st March:

8am:	12
10am:	71 adults, 4 U16s
6pm:	7

8th March:

8am:	16
10am:	69 adults, 3 U16s
6pm:	5

Notices for Sunday 22nd March

should be with Catherine Richmond (250844, notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) by 10am on Tuesday 17th March. *Thank you*

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PRAYER SUGGESTIONS

Join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9am, Mondays-Fridays

Collect for Mothering Sunday

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.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Prayer for Mothering Sunday

Loving God, thank you for mothers and children and for all the joy of family life. Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother; be close to those who are struggling because they have no children; be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love. Let your love be present in every home, and help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of all who come. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(churchofengland.org)

Church and Local Concerns

We give thanks for *The Friends of Christ Church Eaton* and their support for our church building. We pray for Ruth and Kyla in the Parishes Office. We pray for Patrick taking assemblies at Town Close in the coming weeks and hosting visits. We pray for all in our parishes, particularly those living in Beechbank, Beechbank Court, Belvedere Place and Bensley Road.

Please pray for

- Youth and children's work in our two parishes
- The Easter Workshop on 28 March
- The children, their families and the Workshop leaders
- The weekly children and youth activities
- The year-round cycle of Workshops and All-Age Services

Pray for the youth and children's workers team in Eaton, asking God to bless them with Refreshment, Inspiration, Passion, Commitment & Humility to continue working for God serving children and young people in this place.

Pray that God will speak through the team as it shares His word with the children, through all we say and do.

The Sick and Suffering

We pray for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, including Amelia, Angela, Bobs, Sheila Bootman, Caroline, Phil Cooke, Anna Dunlop, Margaret Fraser, Penny Furze, John Harrison, Trish Hill, Chris Hobbs, Paul James, Jessica, Joanna, Muriel Jones, John Ladd, Nigel, Paul, Dick and Val Rout, Jonathan Spelman, Joan Wheatley, Roger, Rory, and Ros Wright. We give thanks that Simon Girling and David Uden are recovering well.

The Departed

We remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us. We pray particularly for the family and friends of June Bishop. Help us comfort those who mourn.