

Notices for 4 April 2021

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Matthew and Antonia wish you all a very Happy Easter

Pastoral Care: do contact the Pastoral Care group by email holycrosssharing@gmail.com or by contacting David Brassington, Pastoral Care Team Coordinator, on 01363 84914 if you, or someone you know needs some help or would appreciate a phone call. Please use the same contact details to offer help.

Sunday Worship: we welcomed everyone back to public worship on Sunday 21st March with services at 8am, 9.30am and 11am as before. All the Covid-19 precautions remain in place with stewards, sanitiser, facemasks, signage etc. Anne will assume that those coming to church will attend at the same time as before. Please let Anne Jerman know (01363 772865 or jerman@12blagdon.eclipse.co.uk) if you are seeking to change the time you attend. Please do not to attend church if you have any of the symptoms of Covid-19. There will be a service live-streamed at 9.30am each Sunday via the church Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CreditonParishChurch/>. It will then be available to view at any time.

Benefice Services on Sunday 4th April

At Crediton:

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev P Gilks
9.30am Holy Communion (CW)	Rev M Tregenza
11.00am Holy Communion (CW)	Rev D Francis
6.00pm Evensong	Rev M Tregenza / Canon M Hall (Preacher)

At Sandford:

9.45am Holy Communion (CW)	Rev P Fillery
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At Yeoford:

9.30am Holy Communion (CW)	Rev J Francis
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At Beacon:

Sunrise service	Rev P Fillery
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At Shobrooke:

11.00am Holy Communion (CW)	Rev M Tregenza
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At Posbury:

11.00am Communion by extension	Dr J Shelley
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At Upton Hellions:

11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev P Fillery
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Easter Services: there are still places available for all the special Easter services if you wish to attend. Please book your place with Anne Jerman for any of the services listed below. Please also contact Anne if you don't normally attend a Sunday service but wish to come to church on Easter Sunday morning.

Maundy Thursday 1st April - 7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper Good Friday 2nd April - 2.00pm The Last Hour reflection
Saturday 3rd April - 8.30pm The Blessing of the Fire, Easter Vigil and Communion Easter Sunday 4th April - 6.00pm
Evensong

Sing at the Easter Sunday Services at 9.30am and 11am: with congregational singing outdoors permitted, as a special event and to celebrate Easter, the services will end with the congregation singing 'Thine Be The Glory' in the churchyard. If you wish to sing outdoors, please follow the stewards' directions, maintain social distancing and we ask that you keep your facemasks on as voices will be raised. If you do not wish to sing outdoors or doing so would be a problem, we ask that if possible, you remain in the church until invited to leave. This is a precaution to help reduce movement and mingling.

Easter Trail: you have until Sunday to follow the trail around the town's churches, starting at St Lawrence Chapel.

Services at St Lawrence Chapel will continue with evening prayer on 11th April and Sacred Space on 18th April, both at 6.00pm. Space is very limited with the requirement for social distancing so places must be booked in advance with Sandra Collier on 01363 777013 or email sandracollier57@gmail.com.

An Easter Treasure Hunt has been put together around the churchyard. Posters and clue sheets will be put up on Saturday afternoon, however the clues are attached and can also be found on the 'latest news' page of the website. A few paper copies will be available in church. Entries should be returned by 18th April.

Private Prayer: the church will be open once more for private prayer on Wednesdays between 2pm and 4pm. We would also like to be open on Wednesday mornings but to achieve this we are seeking additional volunteers that would be prepared to steward. Please contact Anne Jerman if you can help with this - morning and/or afternoon. Anne will be in touch with the people that have previously acted as stewards.

Thank you to all our regular givers. Your generous giving has enabled the PCC to continue to meet its commitments throughout the last 12 months. We are very grateful for this terrific and ongoing financial support.

BRF Notes: I have received the BRF notes for May to August 2021. They are the first notes of BRF's year. This one costs £4.75 and the full year is £14.25. Payment in cash to Tomswood Albert Road EX17 2BZ, best to phone 777112 if you wish to knock. Cheques the same. You can now pay by bank transfer. Santander (enter your surname), Sort code 09 01 29, Account 56543544, Amy Bright is the account holder. I will deliver but it would be helpful if you can collect if you live further away. amy@madjbright.co.uk 01363 777112.

Foodbank this week we are in need of: biscuits, green semi-skimmed UHT Milk and soup (tomato, vegetable or chicken) and of course Easter Eggs!

VaccinAid : Led by UNICEF UK, this campaign allows people in the UK to do something practical in response to the real sense of gratitude they have felt as they and their loved-ones receive their vaccines. It aims to help fund almost two billion Covid-19 vaccines for health workers and the most high risk and vulnerable people on our planet. The money raised will also help UNICEF provide tests and treatments to people in 190 countries around the world through the global COVAX initiative. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby wants to encourage people and congregations to donate as a practical demonstration of Jesus's command to love our neighbour. VaccinAid is being supported by other faith groups, businesses, celebrities and the NHS. There will be a bowl for donations available on Sundays 4th, 11th and 19th April or they can be placed in a sealed envelope and posted through the Parish Office letterbox.

The APCM will take place on Wednesday 14th April at 7.30pm and will be held remotely using Zoom. Please let Anne Jerman know if you wish to be sent the Zoom link or the telephone numbers for use on the night. Nomination forms for churchwardens and elected PCC members will be available from Anne Jerman with completed forms returned to her - via the Parish Office if necessary. Churchwarden nominations **MUST** be received prior to the APCM. This year, we will be accepting postal votes from anyone unable to attend via Zoom which will be used in the event of an election. An application for a postal vote **MUST** be made prior to the meeting and by 9am on Monday 12th April at the latest. The agenda, minutes of the APCM 2020, Annual report and accounts have been issued by. Contact Anne Jerman in church, by phone or email for any queries, nomination forms, postal vote applications and for those not on email, paper copies of the annual report and accounts.

Farewell Gift: Paul and Tracey Fillery will be leaving the Benefice shortly after Easter. If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift, please give any donation you might like to make (cash only please) to one of the churchwardens by 4th April.

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Rev M Tregenza / Mrs A Tregenza (Preacher)

6.00pm Evening Prayer at St Lawrence Chapel

Mrs S Collier

At Sandford:

10.0am Holy Communion (CW)

Rev P Fillery