

## *The Three Parishes Benefice*



St Mary's Church,  
Saltford.

All Saints Church,  
Corston.

Holy Trinity Church,  
Newton St Loe.

# *14th & 21st April*

# *Notice Sheet*

### **14th April - Easter 3**

**8.45am Parish Breakfast - St Mary's Hall Saltford**

**9.30am Connect (Informal Service) - St Mary's Hall Saltford**

**11.15am Holy Communion - Holy Trinity Church Newton St Loe**

**4pm Benefice Telephone Service**

#### **Collect**

**Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the  
glory of God the Father. Amen**

## Readings

Acts 3:12-19

Luke 24:36b-48

### Pause for Thought

“Since we are surrounded by a such a great cloud of witnesses, let **us**.....” (Heb 12)

The writer is encouraging Christians who are having a tough time, struggling and even questioning the grounds of their faith.

He has just listed 16 Old Testament characters who had, against the odds, achieved great things simply because they trusted God to do what He said He would do.

“So”, he goes on to say, “let us lay aside **the** sin that so easily entangles us”.....the sin of putting our trust in something or someone *other* than God, and depending on *them*.

He doesn't suggest that we should copy these hero figures, but be encouraged by their experience.

We are to run the race marked out for **us**, not the one marked out for them.

We are to fix our eyes on **Jesus**. **He** is to be our target and goal, nothing else, nothing less.

Jesus, he says, is the basis and founder of our faith, and the leader too. He brings faith/trust to perfection, both as an example and by being a guide.

He is the beginner of our race and the reward at the end.

How good are we at ignoring/setting-aside all that hinders.....maybe all those issues and debates that take our eyes **off** Jesus..... and sap our energy for running the race marked out for us?

**Ken**

**Plant**

## **21st April - Easter 4**

**9.30am Holy Communion - St Mary's Church Saltford**

**11.15am Family Service - All Saints Church Corston**

**4pm Benefice Telephone Service**

### **Collect**

**Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen**

### **Readings**

**Acts 4:5-12**

**John 10:11-18**

### **Bishop's letter – Worship is key**

**In January I was back in my old Diocese of Exeter, marking the death of Sabine Baring Gould 100 years before. What an extraordinary person he was, with an incredible range and roundedness of learning and interests, in an equally full and fulfilled life. He was a great traveller and prolific writer of biographies, folklore, travel books, theology, novels and hymns, including some, such as 'Onward Christian soldiers' that remain popular today. He was a linguist and translator; and, as an archaeologist on Dartmoor, very much a pioneer in the field. For many, his greatest achievement was his collecting the old folk songs of Devon and Cornwall, providing inspiration for such composers as Elgar, Vaughan Williams and Holst. He was also the Squire of Lewtrenchard and, being ordained, he appointed himself as parish priest as well!**

**This he saw as his true vocation. His responsibility, and that of the local church, was the cure of souls from cradle to grave. This meant a care for the spiritual wellbeing of all in the community and for their bodily and social welfare too. Striving for good health and housing must go hand in hand with growth in faith and prayer. All should be encouraged to full humanity, to holy discipleship, to the recognition, and use, of whatever gifts anyone possessed for the common good.**

But, underlying all of this, one other aspect of this great man's life speaks very strongly to me now. That is how he understood worship and its relationship to the whole of life. 'To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God'.

This edition of Manna contains encouraging stories of New Christian Worshipping Communities in Bath and Wells. Worshipping is key. I am reminded of the later words of Archbishop William Temple: 'It is sometimes said that conduct is supremely important, and worship helps it. The truth is that worship is supremely important, and conduct tests it.'

Bishop Michael  
Assistant Bishop for Bath and Wells

**PARISH  
BREAKFAST**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
**From 8.45am in St Mary's Church Hall**  
Do come and enjoy food and fellowship whilst supporting Bible Society, which enables people to read the bible, to find out more about not only God but also about themselves.

Continental breakfast to include tea/fresh coffee  
Contact Julia Norris for more information  
(07977 956 969)

All Saints Church Corston  
**50 Years and Counting ....**

**A Celebration of organist  
Robert and Joan Johnson's  
association with All Saints Church**



**SUNDAY 14th APRIL  
at 3.30 pm**

**A short programme of  
Poetry, Prose and Music  
Followed by Afternoon Tea**

Everyone is welcome to this  
free event

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Men's Breakfast

All local men are warmly invited to a Men's Breakfast planned at The Riverside on 20th April at 0900.  
A short talk from our Rector Nigel follows.

Event ends at 1040 latest.  
(£12 correct cash at the door please).

Please make your 'Booking for Breakfast' by leaving a message on the church office number 01225 872257 or email - scnbenefice@gmail.com

Should be good....

RSVP



**Notice of Annual Parochial Church Meetings**

**The APCM's will be held on the following dates**

**Saltford**

**Sunday 28th April at 11am**

**St Mary's Hall**

**Corston**

**Sunday 5th May at 10am**

**All Saints Church**

**Newton St Loe**

**Sunday 12th May at 10am**

**Holy Trinity Church**

## Wednesday Mornings Telephone Service

Ken & Teresa invite you to join them at the weekly Telephone Service on  
Wednesdays at 9.30am.

Please see below on how to join in or contact the Parish Office for help.

All welcome

## Benefice Telephone Service

To join our telephone service

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Dial: 03330164757

Room Number: 30497259#

Room Number: 5856#

## Opportunities to Pray

### Morning Prayer

Monday to Wednesday via Zoom at 8.30am

### Prayer @ 6

Monday to Thursday via Zoom at 6pm

### Zoom Meeting Details for Morning Prayer and Prayer@6

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85017998147pwd=L0FWMnZENHlvZ3VxS3FOeWpaNXJWZz09>

Meeting ID: **850 1799 8147**

Passcode: **Prayer**

## Supporting the Mission and Ministry of St Mary's Church

If you would like to make an online donation to support the ongoing work of St Mary's please click on the donate button . It will redirect you to our online giving page. You can also give in other ways like standing order, through the contactless device in church, through our website or by cash. For more

information about how to give, please speak to Pam F our treasurer and she will be able to help you.

[Donate](#)

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN ST MARY'S HALL

MONDAY

10.30am Vast UK - weekly  
2pm Mobiflex - weekly

TUESDAY

10am Coffee Morning - monthly (2nd Tues)  
4pm Bright Times Tuition - weekly

WEDNESDAY

10.30am Vast UK - weekly  
2pm Salford Stitchers - monthly (2nd Wed)  
6pm Vitality Pilates - weekly

THURSDAY

9.30am Toddler Group - weekly  
4pm Bright Times Tuition - weekly  
7pm Bath Gong with Amy - monthly  
8pm Bath Circle of Magicians - fortnightly

FRIDAY

10am FoodBank - weekly

SATURDAY

10am Preform - weekly  
10am Farandole Dancers - monthly (3rd Sat)

SUNDAY

9am Parish Breakfast - monthly  
10.15am Refreshments after Church- weekly



# LITTLEWAY HEALING MINISTRIES

with

Fr Laurence Brassill OSA, Mrs Pauline Edwards and Team

## PARISH HEALING MISSION

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

*Experience the healing power of Jesus*

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April: 7.30pm to 9pm

**Healing Evening at St Dunstan's Hall**

(Bristol Road, Keynsham, BS31 2BQ)

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April:

**Individual Healing Prayer Appointments at St Bernadette's**

*Book on Thursday evening*

(731 Wells Road, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 9HU)

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April: 10am to 4pm

**Open Healing Event at St Pius X Church**

*tea & coffee provided – bring a packed lunch if you wish*

(Gatehouse Ave, Withywood, Bristol, BS13 9AB)

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April: 5.30pm, 9am, 11am

**Short Prayer Ministry Offered  
after Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses**



*Jesus promised: "Lay your hands on  
the sick and they will be healed"*

### Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed to the public until 12th April.

All emails/phone calls will be answered during this time  
but please be patient as your enquiry may take a little longer than usual.

Thank you

### Safeguarding

If you have cause for concern regarding the safety of a child or vulnerable adult  
it is vital that you contact our Benefice Safeguarding Officer.

**Benefice Safeguarding Officer**

Mrs Sue Dixon 01225 359014

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## Contact Us

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Liz Benden (Day off Friday)

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