

**NOTICES - WEEK BEGINNING 19TH MARCH 2017**

**READINGS FOR TODAY: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**O.T. Exodus 17:1-7 (10.15am service)**

**N.T. Romans 5:1-11**

**GOSPEL: John 4:5-42**

**COLLECT FOR THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT** Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

**SUNDAY 19TH 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

8.00am Holy Communion 9.00am Holy

Communion - ULTING

10.15am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Evensong

**MONDAY 20TH**

6.30pm Junior School Budget Setting Meeting followed by F. and G.P. Meeting.

7.15pm Parish Lent Group - Vicarage.

**TUESDAY 21ST**

9.00am Prayers at Pleshey - leave 8.15am.

2.30pm Funeral Arrangements Meeting - Vicarage.

**WEDNESDAY 22ND**

9.30am Holy Communion - Vicarage.

12.00pm Deanery Chapter Meeting. - St Nicolas: Witham.

2.30pm Service at Hatfield Peverel Lodge.

7.30pm Wedding Arrangement Meeting - Vicarage.

**THURSDAY 23RD**

9.30am Interment of Ashes - Linda Hicks.

10.00am Edward Bear - Service (postponed from last week).

7.15pm Choir Practice.

**SATURDAY 25TH**

**10.00am Mothering Sunday Preparations.**

**SUNDAY 26TH MOTHERING SUNDAY 8.00am Holy Communion 9.00am Holy Communion - ULTING 10.15am All-Age Mothering Sunday Service 6.30pm Evensong**

**WELCOME to our services this morning, and a particular welcome to any visitors. Do stay for coffee/tea after the services (10.15am and 6.30pm).**

**GIFT AID - if you are taxpayer, by filling in the front of the yellow envelopes provided in the pews and putting your collection in them, we can claim 25p for every £1.00 given.**

**LENT GROUPS - if you missed any, do not worry. Each session is independent and, as last year a course book is available: price £3.00. The meetings will be on Monday evenings; beginning at 7.15pm with coffee and ending promptly at 9.00pm in the Vicarage. Do come.**

**PLESHEY PRAYERS - although a part-time Chaplain has been appointed I will still be taking the prayers at Pleshey most Tuesdays. Departure 8.15am from the Vicarage if anyone is interested.**

**MOTHERING SUNDAY MARCH 26TH - this will be an All-Age service which will include the blessing of the flowers and Simnel Cake afterwards. However, on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>, there will be flower-bunching and simnel cake making (a sort of Messy church!) and everyone is welcome.**

**COFFEE MORNING FALLS ON APRIL FOOLS DAY! (April 1<sup>st</sup>) but don't let that put you off? Usual things required: nearly new items, cakes, and manpower. Please sign the list in the Baptistry if you can help.**

**N.B. According to my Parson's Pocket Book British Summertime begins on Mothering Sunday, so be aware of that as we will lose an hour.**

**ELECTORAL ROLL FORMS - available now: please renew a.s.a.p.**