

Prayers

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday:

Pray that Lent may give us an opportunity to pause, reflect and draw closer to God in ways that help us to be guided by love, find peace of heart and always be thankful.

Monday:

Pray for all those who are missing the activities no longer happening in our Church premises during the period of lockdown. Grant them patience and understanding as we travel through these difficult times.

Tuesday:

Give thanks for the democratic principles and the rule of law which apply in our country. Pray that everyone will treat others with respect, that tolerance will be our guiding light and that none contemplate violence as a way of resolving the problems we face.

Wednesday:

Pray for those who will receive food through the Foodbank. There are people who have a genuine need for help both financial and material. Pray for them, that they may receive what is genuinely needed and thank God for the volunteers who work to try and relieve some of the pain and deprivation.

Thursday:

As we await the celebration of Easter pray for those who are waiting for medical treatment, decisions, opportunities and peace of mind. May they be aware of your presence.

Friday:

During Lent we have thought about the time Jesus spent in the wilderness planning how he would carry out his ministry. Pray for people who are trying to see their own future and pray for our Church here in Goring that we may listen for God's voice as we plan for the future.

Saturday:

Pray for all involved in preparation and production of worship material to be used throughout the land. Give thanks for the miracle of modern science that allows us to remain in touch with each other. May we use it to good effect.

UPCOMING SERVICES

7th March 2021

10:30: Jode JamesDuty Elder: Caroline Hibbs

14th March 2021

10:30: Rev Andrew Sellwood

& Tom Hackett

Duty Elder: Wilfred Rhodes

21st March 2021

10:30: Rev Kenneth Lynch Duty Elder: Eileen Rhodes

DAILY HOPE

0800 8048044

This is a free phone call that you can access at any time from the Archbishop of Canterbury. There are several options to help and encourage you in your daily life. It's worth listening to! Eileen Rhodes

ONLINE SERVICES

The Sunday Services continue to be streamed every week on YouTube and the church website (gurc.net) from around 10:25 every Sunday morning. You can watch live or catch up later.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

This year, the Elders plan to hold a Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday (1st April). There will be two options to join in; either in person at the church, or via the livestream on our website/YouTube. This meal reminds us of the traditional Passover meal that Jesus took part in during Holy Week.

If you would like to join us, either in person or virtually, you **MUST** sign up by contacting Mary Redman on mary@redlee.co.uk or 01903 692218 by 24th March. We will then be able to provide you with a goodie bag complete with all the necessary items for this service

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS

During the year we also remember all in our Church Family.

This week: Amy Varga, Steve & Carol Webber,

and Alan & Alison Westcott

Notices

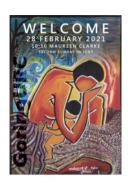
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday 5th March 2021 at 2.30pm. Originally planned for St Mary's Church, due to Covid we will be conducting the short service over Zoom

The theme is **Build On a Strong Foundation** (Matthew Chapter 7 vv 24-27) and the service was put together by women in Vanuatu.

Booklets for the service are available whether or not you are able to join the Zoom service. These include the order of service and also fascinating details about the host country.

Please contact Susie Thomas at susie@mcmouse.co.uk or (01903) 700141 if you would like further information, a service booklet and/or an invitation to the Zoom meeting.



FRONT COVER
Cyclone Pam II by Juliette Pita

Juliette Pita is the most well-known artist in Vanuatu. This painting was inspired by her own experience during one of the most destructive tropical storms to hit the islands and shows a mother praying over her child, both protected by a palm tree as the waves crash over them.



If you would like anything to be included in Welcome please contact the Editor for March, Barbara Hillman. Email: welcome@gurc.org.uk









