

MORECAMBE PARISH CHURCH

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We extend a warm welcome to all visitors

SERVICES TODAY:

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - 21ST MARCH

- 8.00 am** Holy Communion (BCP)
9.50 am Junior Church - Memorial Hall
10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Please continue the fellowship in the Hall after the service for Tea/Coffee/Squash and a chat. All are most welcome

- 3.00 pm** Confirmation Preparation for young people - Rectory
3.30 pm Adult Confirmation Preparation - Revd Anne's house
6.30 pm A service of Music and Readings for Passiontide with The Rushley Singers

We Pray for

- Those ill in hospital or at home:** Rachael Kirke, Simon Fox, Barbara Elvidge, Patricia Blackett, Penny Taylor, Sharon Hodgson, Terry Houghton, Nicola Mapp
- Those who have died recently:** Gary Cookland, Jack Mount, Keith Pennington, Elsie Whitaker
- Those in years mind:** Peggy Wilding, William Ogston, Annie Frisby, Thomas Anderson, Arthur Blakeborough, Denis Smith

COLLECT

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



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Large print copies of this sheet or magnifying sheets are available to enhance your reading

Events during the coming week

Wed	24 th	9.10	am	School Service – Church
		7.30	pm	Lent Study Group – 7 Coniston Road
		7.30	pm	Youth Group – Memorial Hall
Thurs	25 th	Annunciation of our Lord to the BVM		
		1.30	pm	Holy Communion
		6.45	pm	Choir Practice
Fri	26 th	9.30	am	Church Cleaning - Team B
		1.30	pm	Magazine Collation - Memorial Hall
		8.15	pm	Bell-ringing Practice
Sun	28 th	Palm Sunday		
		<i>Magazine available for distribution</i>		
		8.00	am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.00	am	Parish Eucharist beginning in Memorial Hall with blessing of palms and procession to Church
		3.00	pm	Confirmation Prep for young people - Rectory
		6.30	pm	Choral Evensong

Children and Church

We welcome all children to be part of our worship. Our Junior Church takes place over in the Memorial Hall, so please feel free to go and introduce yourself to the leaders if you are new. If you have a child who is under 5 in church with you, and they get restless, you are welcome to take them into the glazed area at the back of church. There are toys for little ones, and the service is relayed through the speakers, but please do not leave children of **any age** unsupervised. Children over 5 please take note; the toys are not for you!

Notices

Special PCC Meeting

Please will all members of the PCC meet (with tea/coffee) in the cafe after the 10.00 am service to approve the annual accounts.

Rushley Singers

This evening, at 6.30pm, the Rushley Singers will lead a service of music and readings for Passiontide. The anthems include works by Byrd, Lotti, Bruckner, Walton, Bertalot and Chilcott.

Can You Help to Keep the Cubs and Scouts Active?

We have had a volunteer to become a helper, but we still need one more person to help out at Cubs. Our present leader would like to transfer to the Scout Section in order to keep that section viable. If you know of someone who could help out, or want to know more, please contact Val Vose on 410247. All training and support is given.

Security of Church

We have had some problems with doors not being properly secured. Would all key holders please ensure that **all** doors are locked securely before they leave (as well as the one used for entry).

Stewardship Giving

The new envelopes are now available from St Laurence's Corner. **Please note that your box number may have changed this year as we have reduced the number on order.**

If you would like to join this scheme or have changed to giving via the bank, please place your name and address on the sheet in the vestibule ticking the relevant box. If you currently use the brown envelopes on a fairly regular basis please consider changing to the boxed envelopes. If you already use the envelopes and pay Income Tax, either on earnings or savings, please complete a Gift Aid form if you have not already done so. Thank you for supporting our church finances.

APCM - Advance Notice

This year's Annual Meeting will take place on Sunday, 25th April, after the 10.00 am. Please put this date in your diary.

Parish Retreat

Our next Parish Retreat will take place at the Monastery of Our Lady of Hying, a community of Bernadine Cistercian Nuns, Warton, Carnforth. Monday, 21st June, arrive 3.30 pm to Friday, 25th June, depart 10.00 am. This will be led by Rev'd Mike Peatman. Cost £33-£35 per day. Bookings with a nonrefundable deposit of £15 per person to John Gibson, tel 420429, as soon as possible please.

Weekly Notice Sheet

Any items for the Sunday notice sheet should be either written down (including a contact number) and given to Val Vose or emailed to mpc@care4free.net by **Thursday lunchtime** please.

Have you thought of sponsoring the Notice Sheet for one week that may be special to you? Please put your name on the list on the notice board in the vestibule if you would like to do so. The cost is quite modest and should be placed in an envelope on the collection plate. The new list runs from January 2010.