

The Parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley

Sunday 25th March 2018

Palm Sunday

A warm welcome to all worshipping with us today. Please take this sheet home for your prayers and information.

Today's Services

8am Holy Communion (Kingsclere)

9.15am Morning Worship with Junior Church (Kingsclere)

10.30 Holy Communion (Ashford Hill)

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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.

Gospel - Luke 19.28-44

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no-one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it.'"

Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

They replied, "The Lord needs it."

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus,

This Week:

Wed 28	Morning Prayer (*K)	9am
	Toast for Tots (*Km)	9.30am
	Seder Meal (*AH)	6pm
Thur 29	AH School Service (*AH)	9.30am
	K School Service (*K)	10.30am
	Maundy Thursday Communion (*K)	2pm
Fri 30	Morning Prayer (*H)	9am
	Walk of Witness (*K)	10am
	Good Friday Meditation (*H)	2pm
Sun 1	Easter Day Communion (*H)	8am
	Easter Day Communion (*K)	9.15am
	Easter Day Communion (*AH)	10.30am

K= St Mary's Kingsclere; H = St Peter's Headley

AH = St Paul's, Ashford Hill; Km = Kingsmill Rm;

RHC = Rose Hodson Court; KPS = Kingsclere School

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“Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

“I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, “If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace – but now it is hidden from your eyes. The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognise the time of God’s coming to you.”

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

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Notices

As we move in to Holy Week and Easter Sunday, please note all the services and events taking place:

Please join us for a Seder Meal at St Paul’s Ashford Hill on Wednesday 28th March at 6pm. We hope as many as possible can come. A few salads or desserts will be needed. Please email Susie on: susiesainsbury@gmail.com if you are able to help or indeed be part of it.

Both Ashford Hill and Kingsclere schools will hold their Easter Services in the respective churches on the morning of 29th March, and then in the afternoon all are welcome to a Communion Service for Maundy Thursday in St Mary’s at 2pm.

On Good Friday (30th), there will be an Ecumenical walk of Witness in Kingsclere at 10am starting at the Village Club and walking to St Mary’s Churchyard for a short service. All are invited to the Methodist Church following the service for hot cross buns. In the afternoon, at 2pm there will be a Good Friday Meditation in St Peters, Headley.

Easter Sunday will see Communion Services in all three churches (8am at Headley, 9.15am in Kingsclere and 10.30am in Ashford Hill).

The dates for the annual meetings of both PCCs are:
Kingsclere - 16th April 7pm for 7.30pm start
Ashford Hill with Headley - 23rd April 7pm for 7.30.

The annual revision of the Electoral Roll in both parishes will take place before the APCM. If you are not on the roll but would like to be please complete the form on the church website, or fill out a paper form before Wednesday this week (**28th March**). Please contact Chrissy Green (Kingsclere) or Rachel Chamings (Ashford Hill with Headley), or Emma if you need any other information

On May 6th at 9.15am in Kingsclere, Bishop David will preach, and will confirm some members of our church. This will be the only service in the Benefice that day (so no 8am in Ashford Hill). Those being confirmed and their families invite you to join them after the service for a celebratory coffee and cake in the function room at the Crown pub in Kingsclere.

St Mary’s Kingsclere has the Bronze Environmental award, thanks mainly to the hard work of Janet Sturges. To carry on this work we have been offered places on a workshop looking at “Caring for God’s Creation”. It’s free and allows people to share ideas and gather resources to bring back to the parish. It’s on 12th April 7-9pm (refreshments from 6.30pm) at Old Alresford Place. Please do let Emma know if you would like to attend.

A ladies retreat is planned for the weekend of 21/22nd July. This will involve an overnight stay, some time for fellowship and some guided input (time for prayer, activities/craft and perhaps bible study - exact content is to be confirmed) at St Columbas House, in Woking, Surrey. The cost which will include all meals, the input and overnight stay will be approximately £90-£100 per person, but may reduce the more people that go. If you would like to attend, please let Emma know. If you would like to come along but would find the cost prohibitive please speak to Ben.

For your prayers:

- Freda Savin; Alan Hambidge, Ralph Cook, Marian Baxter, Jane Turner and Marion Butler
- The family and friends of Graham Fox, Jean Swinerton, Kirsty Broadhurst and Pat Dunn as they grieve for the loss of their loved ones.