

## We pray for



If you know of someone who might like prayer, needs a home visit or is unable to get to church and would like communion in their home, please speak to a member of the clergy or one of the Welcome Team.



We offer a personal ministry of prayer every week during the **10:30 Service**. If you wish to bring anything to God in prayer, and in private, please go to the South Porch after the service where two people will be available to pray with you.

**Loop System:** For people who are hard of hearing the church has a 'loop system'. Please adjust your hearing aid to 'T' and if possible sit at least 2 feet away from church walls.

**Toilet Facilities:** The toilet is located at the back of the church through the doors to the kitchen.

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(Please note Monday is Steve's day off)

Notice Sheet items should be sent to [office@parishchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@parishchurch.co.uk)

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9.00am - 1.00pm**



St Mary's,  
Bures



# Church News

Sunday  
11th March 2018

### Today's Services - Mothering Sunday

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP) Bures: *Tricia Box*
- 10.30 Mothering Sunday Breakfast Church Bures: *Tricia Box*  
(For all ages, children very welcome. The Service will be preceded by Breakfast at 10.00am)
- 10.30 Family Communion Assington: *Steve Morley*  
(A family Communion, children are very welcome)
- 10.30 Morning Prayer Little Cornard: *Murray Emerson*

**Celebrating being part of God's family together**

### Next Sunday's Services - Lent 5

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP) Bures: *Steve Morley*
- 10.30 Morning Worship Bures: *Elders/Steve Morley*
- 10.30 Family Service Assington: *Tricia Box*
- 10.30 Holy Communion Little Cornard: *Mary Cantacuzene*

### What's happening this week (see notices)

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| <b>Wed</b> | 9.00  | Prayers in the South Porch, Bures           |
|            | 10.00 | Informal Service of Morning Prayer, Bures   |
|            | 10.30 | 'Open Door' Drop-in café, Bures             |
| <b>Fri</b> | 9.00  | Morning Prayer, Little Cornard              |
|            | 12.00 | First Friday Lunch Club, Garrad Room, Bures |
| <b>Sat</b> | 9.30  | Churchyard Tidy, Bures                      |
|            | 10.00 | Darby & Joan Annual Fundraising Sale, Bures |

**Welcome** It is good to have you all with us today. Please stay for tea and coffee after the Service. If you are new here, we would like to keep in touch with you. Please fill in a Welcome Card and hand it to the person taking the service or one of the Welcoming Team.



**For more details of what's on see:**

[www.parishchurch.co.uk](http://www.parishchurch.co.uk)

[www.facebook.com/Messy-Church-St-Marys-Bures](https://www.facebook.com/Messy-Church-St-Marys-Bures)

## Today as we celebrate ...

**Mothering Sunday** - For many of us, Mothering Sunday is a time to reflect on what our mums mean to us and to celebrate all that they have done, perhaps with a beautiful bouquet. But sometimes our mothers are no longer with us. Therefore, on Mother's Day (11th March), the Mothers' Union would like, once again, to invite you to celebrate or remember your mother in a different way.

As an inspiring alternative to flowers, a gift of literacy and numeracy for a mother can help transform not only her but also her family's life and that of her community. You are invited to make a donation through the Mothers' Union, which will be distributed across all areas of our worldwide work wherever the need is greatest. Please help many mothers bloom by passing a donation to Susan Wolsten-Croft or Sue Ryman. We will also be collecting at the back of the church on Mothering Sunday. Thank you every so much for your support.

## Coming Up This Week

**First Friday Lunch Club** - Friday 16th March from 12.00-2.00pm at the Garrad Room, Bures Community Centre. We will be serving tea and coffee from 11am followed by hot lunches in a warm, friendly environment. All welcome. If transport is required, please contact Carol 228417 or Carolyn 228296.

**Darby & Joan** - On March 17th from 10.00am - 2.00pm, Darby & Joan are holding their Annual Fundraising Sale in the Church. Refreshments will be available and we look forward to welcoming you on the day.

**The Annual Churchyard Clear Up** will also be taking place on March 17th from 9.30am - 2.30pm and so hopefully our wonderful volunteers will also find time 'between sweat and toil' to attend this fundraising event!

## Notices

**Younger Church Leader** - Charlotte Scott has decided that the time is now right for her to stand down from this role and as a church we are immensely grateful for all her support, patience and inspiration in ministering to the children. We will have an opportunity to thank Charlotte formally at the APCM but meanwhile, if you have any queries regarding Younger Church please speak to Angela.

## Notices (continued)

**Churchwarden Vacancy** - After many years of dedicated and fantastic service to St Mary's, Dick will be retiring in April. If you are interested in becoming a Churchwarden, please have a chat with Steve to discover what is involved.

### **Electoral Roll - Are you on it?**

As we approach the date of this year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting ('APCM') on 10<sup>th</sup> April, Sue Ryman will be doing her usual updating of the Electoral Roll over the next few weeks. If you are part of our church family here at St Mary's but are not yet on the Electoral Roll, please let Sue know and she will arrange for you to be added. Inclusion on the Electoral Roll is important, because it gives you the right to vote, be involved in the PCC, and generally have a greater say in the mission and running of the church.

This year the APCM is on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the church, followed by refreshments. Come and share the vision!

### **Bishops' Lent Pilgrimage 2018**

This year, Bishop Martin and Bishop Mike are starting their Lent Pilgrimage to the cathedral in our patch! On Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> March at 9am, they will be celebrating Holy Communion up at St Stephen's Chapel to mark the start of their walk, before walking the first leg down to St Mary's where they will meet the children from Bures Primary School from 10am - 10.30am. They then continue their walk towards Sudbury.

It would be great if as many of us as possible could join the bishops at the Communion Service and/or accompany them on any of the stages of their walk. Further details can be found on the Diocesan website or have a word with Steve.

**Reminder** - If you are planning to book events in church, please let the office know in advance, so that we can advise the relevant people (to arrange heating/unlocking etc.) and add this to the church calendar and most of all ***we can publicise this for you***. Thank you.

**Benefice Weekend** - we would like to thank everybody for their very positive response to our enquiries and are pleased to announce that we have now booked Launde Abbey for the weekend of 10th - 12th May, 2019. ***Save the date, more details to follow ...***