

Notices for 14th March

Sunday services

The PCC has agreed a careful return to church this Sunday. There will be an **8.00am Communion (BCP)** and a **10.00am Family Communion for Mothering Sunday**. The 10.00 service has limited capacity so it is essential that you **book in advance**. Please e-mail Charles or Helen stating how many are in your family group.

The 10.00 service will be livestreamed via Zoom; if you need the link please e-mail vicar@stlawrencebovingdon.com Resources for worship at home will be posted on our website.

The church is open for quiet prayer as usual on Sunday 2-4pm and Wednesday 10-12noon.

If you are attending the 10.00 service in person, you will have the opportunity to dedicate a prayer to a mum, nan, aunt, or other loved one during the service. This will also be possible while the church is open in the afternoon 2-4pm.

Lent lunches

Our Lent lunch discussions continue next Wednesday 17th March over Zoom. You can join from 12.45pm for a chat with your soup and sandwich, or at 1.15pm for the discussion based on our Lent reflections, 'God's story, our story.'

Daily reflections are available in a booklet, via daily e-mail or by downloading the App. Each reflection includes a short passage from the Bible, a brief exploration of the reading, and a prayer.

- To buy the booklet, download the App or sign up for daily e-mails go to <https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/livelent-2021-church-resources-gods-story-our-story>
- The App also has a daily activity for families

You can join in our own take on the challenge via facebook <https://www.facebook.com/slcbov> or Instagram @slcbov. There's a daily photo challenge and a Lego challenge too.

Cuppa and chat

Cuppa and Chat continues at its regular time on Thursday 18th March at 10.30am. Why not put the kettle on and join in? The Zoom link will be sent out on Monday.

Thank you

Allan & Pauline Brown would like to say thank you for all the prayers and support when Allan was taken into hospital for tests. Allan is now back home after all the tests. Thank you.

Explorers

Explorers is one week earlier than normal in March, in order to keep clear of Holy Week and Easter. It takes place next Sunday 21st March at 4.00pm.

Private Prayer church opening Wednesdays & Sundays

There is one space to be filled during March which is Sunday 21st March. If you can help with this date please let me know.

Real Easter Eggs

We still have a small number of Fairtrade Easter Eggs (Original) available. Each egg comes with a booklet telling the real message of Easter and costs £5. If you'd like one please contact Helen admin@stlawrencebovingdon.com You can read more about the eggs here <https://meaningfulchocolate.co.uk/pages/real-easter-egg>

Don't be an April Fool - come join in our Easter Egg Hunt!

On April 1st, we will have hidden decorated eggs around the village for children to find. Bring your egg down to the church on Sunday 4th (time tbc) to swap it for a chocolate one!

Please mark yourself as 'GOING' on the FB event so we have an idea of how many people are taking part.

This event will be kept within social distancing guidelines.

We are only able to provide one Easter Egg per child, while stocks last. Please only take one of the hidden eggs.

Bovingdon Easter Egg Hunt

And while you're hunting, keep an eye out for Bovingdon Baptist Church's #jesusrocksbovi painted rocks. Find one, take a photo and upload with #jesusrocksbovi and re-hide it!

If you have any questions, please email Nicki at events@stlawrencebovingdon.com

Do you need support?

If you would like help with shopping, a prescription collecting or if you'd just like a chat, contact support@stlawrencebovingdon.com As a return to church is hopefully continuing from now on we are looking for volunteers who can help others return to church by giving a lift to those in need. If you would be happy to be on a list of volunteers offering transport, please contact Helen admin@stlawrencebovingdon.com

Supporting our church financially

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...or by choosing Amazon Smile when you shop on

Amazon <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F>

You can also give directly online via our website <https://stlawrencebovingdon.com/giving/>

Regards

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