

Bourne Abbey and Parish Church

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 Bourne Abbey Church Group

Sunday 25 February 2024

Lent 2

A warm welcome to all! Please take this pew sheet home and include those listed on the reverse in your prayers.

Are you visiting the Abbey today?

If you are a communicant member of your own church, you are invited to take communion here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please come forward holding the service booklet as an indication.

Services this week:

Tonight: 4.00pm – Confirmation, Morton

Thursday 29 February: 10.00am - Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 3 March: 11.00am – Sung Eucharist

Tea and coffee continue to be served after the service; do stay and enjoy Christian fellowship.

Dates for Your Diary

Confirmations at Morton. Bishop Nicholas will be confirming candidates at a service in Morton at 4.00pm today. There is thus no Lenten Deanery Evensong today.

Lent Lunches are being served at 12.30 in St Gilbert's RC church on Mondays.

Lent Course, Thursdays. Fr. Stephen is running the course at Edenham Retreat House between 7pm & 9pm. See notices for more details and to offer/ seek lifts.

Nibble & Natter coffee morning, Saturday 2 March, 10am-12noon - Church Hall. Book stall, raffle & refreshments. Proceeds to Church Funds.

Posies for Mothering Sunday. The preparation of posies will take place in church on Saturday 9th March between 10am & 11am. Everything provided. All help welcome.

Easter Lilies. Please see notice on the noticeboard. Last date to order is Sunday 10 March 2024.

Annual revision of Church Electoral Roll. Current list on the noticeboard. New members encouraged; forms from Sarah Speers or the churchwarden. Deadline is 21 March.

Lincoln Waites Concert, Friday 22 March at 7.00pm in church. Come and listen to medieval and Tudor music from the waites, originally mayor's musicians. Bring young (and not so young) relatives/friends to see the instruments up close. Tickets (£10) from Rebecca Oakley. See poster on noticeboard for full details.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Thursday 18 April at 7.00pm.

Please pray for:

The parish and deanery: for Fr. Peter Lister, the Rev. Sylvia Rice-Oxley, Rev. Canon David Staples, our Ministry Team, Fr. Stephen Buckman & Bishop Hall as his ministry in Madagascar draws to a close.

Peace and goodwill within and between nations:

especially for peace and justice in Ukraine, Yemen, Afghanistan, North and South Sudan, the Holy Land and for those countries where democracy is being eroded. We also pray for those in refugee camps for the displaced, wherever they may be.

Those suffering hunger, disease and oppression:

especially those people whose homes have been lost through war, and natural disaster. Also those suffering from the shortage of food, water and medicines particularly in Syria, Central Africa, North and South Sudan, Yemen, Afghanistan and Somalia. We pray for those in our own country who are homeless, hungry and in need of support.

Those in present need.

Those whose illness or recovery is longer-term.

The souls of the recently departed: David Inkel, Ruth Bannister, Judith Dawson and John Spearink.

Those whose year's mind falls this week:

Wladyslaw Chorazek, John Westley, Elsie Walker, Alan Jones, Janet Revell, Violet Rolt, Thomas Young, Robert Kitchener.

We welcome the names of those who are ill or awaiting an operation, so that prayers may be offered for them, and/or a visit arranged.

Our bishops have invited us to consider using the following prayer:

"God of justice and peace, we hold before you the Israeli and Palestinian people in all their need, pain, and fear. Bring an end to humiliation, injustice, corruption and violence. Prosper all who work for peace with justice, that all the people of the Holy Land may know security and prosperity. We ask this through your Son, the Prince of peace, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Foodbank. Urgently needed: tinned vegetables, fruit, soups, custard & rice puddings, jam, marmalade, instant desserts, UHT milk, tea, chocolate & children's lunch snacks, and toiletries. Please note that the Foodbank has sufficient stocks of pasta and cereal, so these are not needed at present. Please leave donations in the plastic box at the back of the church. Many thanks.