

# St. Mary's Church Kempsey

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Palm Sunday

Welcome to our Church,  
especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer.

*Please take this sheet home with you as a reminder or to pass on to someone who was unable to be in Church today.*

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please phone  
Peter Holzapfel 820202  
For all other church bookings please phone  
Libby James 353935  
or Alan Plowman 769214  
For bookings of St. Mary's House please phone  
Julia Grant 820138

If you have items for the Weekly News Sheet please email  
Edna Cope: [emcope@talktalk.net](mailto:emcope@talktalk.net)  
put a paper copy in the BLUE tray in the vestry or  
Phone Libby on 353935  
**By WEDNESDAY LUNCH TIME**

Heavenly Father, we confess that we, like the crowds on Palm Sunday, have praised Jesus one day, and just as easily, like Peter, have denied him the next. Forgive our weak faith and commitment and make us the true followers we long to be. AMEN

We hope you find the Weekly News Sheet helpful. Please let us know what you think or if you have any ideas or suggestions or if it would be helpful to have the Weekly News Sheet available in large print.

It is also available on our website – [www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk](http://www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk) click on Newsletters.

We look forward to hearing from you.

As the News Sheet will be available on our web site each week, it would be very much appreciated if you could check that people are willing for their contact details to be on the web site before forwarding any notices with phone numbers or email addresses. Thank you very much.

*Libby, Alan & Edna*

## SERVICES TODAY

### Palm Sunday

8.00 Holy Communion BCP  
10.30 Family Communion CW  
and Children's Church  
6.00 Evening Praise  
at The Firs

## EASTER DAY SERVICES

### 4th. April

8.00 Holy Communion  
with Hymns  
10.30 Family Communion  
6.00 Holy Communion

## PRAYER MINISTRY

If anyone would like prayers or a listening ear after a morning service for sickness, loss, personal problems or for any reason, there will always be someone available to talk or pray with you in confidence and in a quiet place. Please ask Gilly Warfield or one of the Readers, Sheila, Peter or Libby,

## HEALING PRAYER

If you have a concern for yourself or for someone else and would like regular prayers for God's healing and wholeness please contact:–

Gill Warfield 820074  
or Sheila Cook 831829

## SERVICES for HOLY WEEK

Mon. 6.00 pm Compline in The Lady Chapel  
Tue. 6.00 pm Compline in The Lady Chapel  
Wed. 6.00 pm Compline in The Lady Chapel  
Maundy Thursday 10.30 am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel  
*Followed by Age Concern Coffee Morning at St. Mary's House*  
Maundy Thursday 7.30 pm United Benefice Informal Communion at St. Mary's  
Friday 10.30 am Good Friday Praise Service at St. Denys'  
Friday 2.00 – 3.00 pm Good Friday Meditation at St Mary's

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

A Children's Church will take place at every 10.30 Service  
**All children are very welcome – please come.**  
**We should love to see you.**

### ALSO THIS COMING WEEK

**Wed. 2.30 Cornflower Club**  
in The Parish Hall

### LENTEN GIVING

If you would like to give towards various Feeding Projects run by The Barnabas Fund, please put your offering in the envelope which you will find on the pews, and put it on the collection plate.

If you are a taxpayer and would like to Gift Aid your donation, please place it in a green envelope and sign it before putting it in the marked Lenten envelope. Thank you.

### WHY EASTER?

Copies of a small, thought provoking booklet entitled "Why Easte?" are available at the back of Church. Please feel free to take a copy.

### CANCER CHALLENGE SINGERS

#### TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

to hear this choir of 40 voices from Neath and Port Talbot singing in St Mary's Church on **Saturday 17th. April at 7.00 pm. Tickets are £7.50**, to include a glass of wine or fruit juice and are available in Church every Sunday or from Libby James (353935) Alan Plowman (769214) or Julia Grant (820138).  
Book early! It should be a wonderful concert.

*The Social Committee*

### PETER'S SABBATICAL

This Sunday is Peter's last Sunday with us until 4th. July. We wish him a very peaceful, enriching and purposeful time as well as a time for rest and re-creation. Our love and prayers go with him and we ask that he may be blessed with God's loving care in all that he does.

We look forward to his returning in grand style on the bottle stall at the Summer Fete on 3rd. July.

Good luck Peter! With love and blessings from all of us.

### EASTER LILIES

If you would like to give towards the cost of Easter Lilies, in memory of a loved one, or any other special occasion donations may be given to Fiona, Glenys or the Church Wardens Libby and Alan.

### THANKSGIVING AND COMMITMENT TO GOD

Would you please fill in the mauve sheet, which you should have received recently, and put it in a sealed envelope on the collection plate, at any service, as soon as is convenient. So far not many have been returned. It would be extremely helpful if you are able to return your form before Easter. Please contact David Hassell if you have any queries.

### EASTER CARDS

There are lovely hand made Easter Cards for sale at the back of Church. All proceeds to St. Mary's. Warmest thanks to Mary Gunthorpe who made and gave these beautiful cards.

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

A volunteer is required to co-ordinate the collection of the Children's Society Boxes. This takes place once a year when the boxes are emptied and the money sent to Head Quarters. Please see Sheila Cook if you are able to help. We should very much like to thank Janet Morris, who has co-ordinated this for several years past. Thank you Janet.

### CLEANERS WANTED

From time to time we are asked if we know of any good reliable cleaners who could help older people in the village or at times of illness. If you know of anyone, we should be grateful if you would let either Sheila or Libby know. Thank you.

### TEXTILE RECYCLING

#### **Can you help us to fill the bin?**

A textile bin is available in the car park of **The Talbot Inn** to recycle textiles, clothes, curtains, sheets, blankets & shoes. for

#### **Melvyn's Trust**

the charitable arm of. European Textile Recycling, a wonderful fund raising activity for the Church as well as providing for those in need in Africa and Europe.

Please help us to fill the bin. and tell your friends and neighbours.

### FAIR TRADE

Fair Trade Goods are still available for anyone to buy at the back of Church. Please look on the table by the green Mission Board.

### GREEN TIPS

**TIP 24** Tell the Mailing Preference Service that you want to stop junk mail. Call 0845 7034599 or visit [www.mpsonline.org.uk](http://www.mpsonline.org.uk).