

# NOTICES & NEWS

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## Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April

Isaiah 43: 16-21;

Psalms 126:

Philippians 3: 4b-14;

Luke 12: 1-8;

**Worship in Church: 10.30am**

**(Junior Church sessions are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> &  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month at 10.30am:**

Apr 6<sup>th</sup> Paul Turner

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> Andrew Maxwell

Apr 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Good Friday Service

Apr 20<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday,

(Holy Communion-Rev John McNeill)

Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Local Arrangement

Flowers in church this week have  
 been kindly provided by  
 Mrs R Allott

## Weekly Programme

### Monday:

**Badminton Club** 9.30-11.30am

**Carers Coffee Morning** 10.30-11.30am  
 (3<sup>rd</sup> Mon)

**Friendship Club** (2<sup>nd</sup> Mon) 2.30pm

**BB&GA Anchors/Juniors** 5.30-8.15pm  
 (termtime)

**Welcome Cafe** (termtime) 5.30-8.15pm

**Monday Makers** 7.30-9.30pm

### Tuesday:

**JellyTotz** 10-11.30am

Parents & Toddlers (termtime)

**Men's Social** (2<sup>nd</sup> Tue) 10-12noon

**The Chosen Study Group** 2-4pm  
 (in the lounge)

**Step'n'Style** (termtime) 4-8.30pm

### Wednesday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10-12noon

**Welcome Garden** 10-12noon

**Supastrikers**(termtime) 1.30-2.15pm

### Thursday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10 - 12noon

**Craft Group** 10 - 12noon

**BB&GA Company** 7-10.00pm  
 (termtime)

### Friday:

**Friday Lunch Club** 2nd&4th Fri

### Saturday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10-12noon  
 (1st & 3rd of month)

**Foodbank** – The collection crate is  
 available in the church entrance every  
 week.

## Church & PFA Events 2024

**Apr 12<sup>th</sup>** Church Jumble Sale  
**May 17<sup>th</sup>** Saturday - Plant Sale

## Ted Wilson

Last week we informed you of Ted's passing. This was  
 incorrectly stated as the 21<sup>st</sup>. Ted Passed away on the 20<sup>th</sup> in  
 Sue Ryder Hospice where he received excellent care.

His funeral is to be on Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 12.45pm in our  
 church, followed by a private cremation. All are welcome to  
 refreshments in the hall.

Family flowers only and any donations to Sue Ryder,  
 Leckhampton

## Jumble Sale -- Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April

### Second-hand, bric-a-brac and jumble sale

Commencing at 2pm

All the proceeds are for Church Funds.

**We need lots of Charity bags. Please leave them in the box in the Welcome**

Please will you bring your saleable items to the hall either:

- Between 6pm and 8pm on the Friday (day before) or
- Between 9am to 12noon on the Saturday.

**HELP please.** We also need helpers to sell the items.

We are usually very short of helpers,  
 so even if you have not taken part previously,  
 please come along to help.

**Clearing up** after the sale is always a big task,

so if you are able to help us after 3.30pm to clear away and sweep up,  
 please come along.

Many thanks to all who support us.

**PS: Charity bags are required throughout the year to  
 help clear up after various events. Please leave in the  
 Welcome**

## Good Friday Service

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Please note that this service will be held at 7pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> April. We had previously quoted an incorrect time in the side column on the 1st page.

## A Prayer for Lent

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**'Love your neighbour as yourself.'**

**Mark 12:31**

(See the full prayer for Lent week 5 on page 3 of the online Notices)

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## Family Fun Event -

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### Helpers needed

The Junior Church are organising a Family Fun event for Easter on the Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April between 4-6pm,

This is for local families and families from the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association. It will be similar to Messy Church, with a choice of crafts and other activities followed by food.

Please would you be able to help with an activity, preparing and serving the food, or the planning? All help will be very gratefully received. Many thanks.

**Please contact Sylvia or Beth**

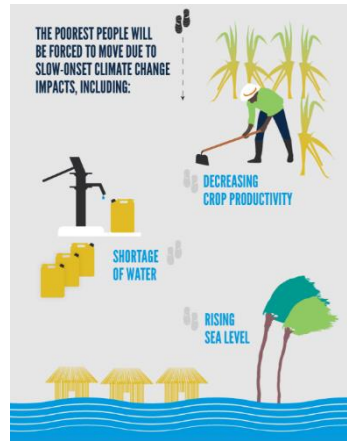


## Lent Prayers – 6<sup>th</sup> April Week 5

‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ Mark 12:31

This week we invite you to pray for people forced to leave their homes because of the changing climate and the organisations working with them including the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Bangladesh and the Refugees for Climate Action Network.

Extreme weather events – from floods and storms, to heatwaves and drought – are already displacing an estimated 41 people each minute (more than from conflicts and wars), and as temperatures continue to increase the world’s most vulnerable will bear the brunt. As these graphics from the World Bank Groundswell Report from 2018 illustrate, there is predicted to be a huge increase in the number of people having to leave their homes because of the climate crisis. As well as causing more extreme weather, the adverse effects of climate change induce rising sea levels, threaten food security and impact livelihoods.



In Bangladesh, where 75% of the country is below sea level, rising ocean waters have uprooted and affected 25.9 million people. Estimates suggest that, by 2050, the rising sea level will submerge another 17% of the country, displacing a further 20 million.



Those affected include Rohingya refugees, who have already fled violence in Myanmar, living in the Cox’s Bazar refugee camps. 18-year-old Mohammed Anower is part of one of the 33 Youth Environment Teams in the camp, organised by the IUCN and UNHCR, and a member of the Refugees for Climate Action Network. Each team, made up of five young women and five young men, was taught about pollution, climate change and how to analyse root causes and design projects to address them. Together with his group, Anower has cleared a stream that was blocked with rubbish, widened the channel and planted reeds and trees on the banks. This has greatly reduced the risk of flooding to the temporary houses, allowing people to remain in the camp. He also trains his fellow refugees on flood resilience.

## Easter Services

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Please join us at one of our services during the period of Lent and over the Easter period. Most of these services are listed in the left-hand column.

**Maundy Thursday** - 17<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm

This service will be held at Churchdown Methodist Church.

**Good Friday** - 18<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm

Rev John McNeill will lead us in a time of worship.

**Easter Sunday** - 20<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am

For those who wish, the service will be preceded by a light breakfast at 9am. All are welcome to join in our service and Holy Communion at 10.30am.