

**March**

<b>Sun 5th</b>	9.30am	Family Service & Baptism <i>Psalm 19:1-6 (p 552)</i>	St Barnabas <i>Junior Church</i>
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>Psalm 19:1-14 (p 552)</i> oOo-	St Paul's
<b>Sun 12th</b>	9.30am	<b>APCM</b> <i>Revelation 3:14-22 (p 1236)</i>	St Barnabas
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer <i>Revelation 3:14-22 (p 1236)</i> oOo-	St Paul's
<b>Sun 19th</b>	9.30am	Family Service <i>1 John 4:7-12 (p 1227)</i>	St Barnabas
Mother's Day	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST oOo-	St Paul's
<b>Sun 26th</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion <i>2 Timothy 3:10-17 (p 1196)</i>	St Barnabas
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>2 Timothy 3:10-17 (p 1196)</i> oOo-	St Paul's

**April**

<b>Sun 2nd</b>	9.30am	Family Service <i>Matthew 21:1-11 (p 988)</i>	St Barnabas <i>Junior Church</i>
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>Matthew 21:1-11 (p 988)</i> oOo-	St Paul's

<b>Maundy Thurs</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Matthew 26:17-30 (p 996)</i> oOo-	<b>St Paul's</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Devotions</b> oOo-	<b>St Barnabas</b>
<b>Easter Day</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Matthew 28:1-10 (p1000)</b>	<b>St Barnabas</b>
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>JAM 'n' TOAST</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Matthew 28:1-10 (p1000)</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>

<b>Sun 16th</b>	9.30am	Morning Prayer <i>Titus 3:1-8 (p 1199)</i>	St Barnabas
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>Titus 3:1-8 (p 1199)</i> oOo-	St Paul's
<b>Sun 23rd</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion <i>Genesis 1:1-2:5 (p3)</i>	St Barnabas
	9.30am	JAM 'n' TOAST	St Paul's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer <i>Genesis 1:1-2:5 (p3)</i>	St Paul's

**EASTER SERVICES**

Lent Bible studies will run every Tuesday until the 28th March.

There will be a service of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday, 6th April at 7.30pm at St. Paul's Church and a 'devotional service' at 10.30am on Good Friday, 7th April at St Barnabas' Church.

**Donations**

**08 January £20.00 In memory of Harry Leigh's birthday**  
**08 January £141.00 Kenya appeal**

**"God loves a cheerful giver."**

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**From the registers**

**30 January Funeral service for Paul Colclough**  
**31 January Funeral service for Rita Waring**

**CLOCKS CHANGE**  
**Sunday 26th March**



**Prayer meeting 9.30 am every Wednesday at St Paul's**

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**CY 7.00 pm at St Paul's, Withnell**  
Every Thursday - Contact Gary Bullock for details

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**Jammy Little Fingers every Friday at St Paul's**  
10.00 to 11.00 am Contact Carolyn Bullock for details

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**Wednesdays' Ladies Bible Study & Women's Fellowship**  
Contact Susan or Carolyn Bullock for details

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Further details from the Vicar



A prayer for the appointment of a new Vicar

Heavenly Father, please guard and grow the churches of this benefice as we serve together. Please guide and protect those who are responsible for the appointment of a new vicar, that they may work together for the good of your church and the glory of your name. May they be faithful to your word, discerning in their work and prayerful in their decisions. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Who's Who

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Dear Friends

Do you believe that justice must not only be done, but be seen to be done? This maxim was laid down by the Lord Chief Justice of England, Lord Hewart, in 1924, in a case involving the collision of two motorcycles. To cut a long story short, the deputy clerk to the bench of justices who heard the case retired with the judges to consider who was at fault. However, the deputy clerk was a partner of a law firm that represented one of the motorcyclists. Even though the justices insisted he played no part in the discussions the matter went to the Lord Chief Justice who delivered his judgement, *"It is not merely of some importance but is of fundamental importance that justice should not only be done, but should manifestly and undoubtedly be seen to be done."*

The Bible insists that we will all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, where God will judge everyone according to his laws. There, justice will not only be done, but be seen to be done.

At Easter time we will celebrate again the fact that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. We will rejoice in the wonderful news that Death is defeated, eternal life has been won. But there are serious implications concerning the resurrection, for it leads to a day of reckoning.

The apostle Paul, preaching in Athens brings this out. "For God has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead." Paul is drawing out a logical conclusion from the resurrection. If there is a resurrection, and Christ's resurrection has shown there is, then all will be resurrected. The purpose of the resurrection is judgement.

I have just been reading one of John Betjeman's poems called 'Churchyards', which brings out the same point.

Oh why do people waste their breath  
Inventing dainty names for death?  
On the old tombstones of the past  
We do not read 'At peace at last'  
But simply 'died' or plain 'departed'.  
It's no good being chicken-hearted,  
We die; that's that; our flesh decays  
Or disappears in other ways.  
But since we're Christians, we believe  
That we new bodies will receive  
To clothe our souls for us to meet  
Our Maker at his Judgement Seat.

Let us by all means celebrate Easter Day, but let us also be aware of the serious implications.

Yours sincerely  
Alan Hogarth

### **St. Barnabas Gift Day** **Sunday 19th March (Mothers' Day)**

An annual opportunity to thank God for his grace and love and give to the work of St Barnabas' Church.  
Envelopes will be provided.



*"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8:9 "*



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