

Welcome to the Chaplaincy Newsletter for Sunday 22nd March 2020

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Sunday 23rd February
4th Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday

AT HOME

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Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings

Colossians 3:12-17

John 19:23-27

OUR ARCHDEACONRY SECRETARY WRITES:

Dear Friends

Thank you for getting in touch about the services that are being organised on-line around the Archdeaconry and also to those who wrote to say how much they enjoyed Menorca's virtual service.

I'm sure if you went onto the website or FB page for any of the Chaplaincies you would find a 'Church service' of some sort. Some that are already up and running are Barcelona, Menorca, Costa del Sol East and West, Madrid and Costa Azahar and I am sure there will be many more over the coming weeks.

Just because we can't get to a building doesn't mean we should put God to the back of our minds especially now when we rely on his mercy to bring us through this crisis.

Please pray for our Archdeaconry family members and also those wider afield in the Diocese.

Best wishes

Joan

Rejoice
ALWAYS
Pray
WITHOUT CEASING
↔
IN EVERYTHING
Give Thanks
— 1 Thessalonians 5

Join in with prayer for
our Chaplaincy
daily at 10:00hrs. and 19:00hrs.



A NATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER
on 22nd March 7pm (GMT)** (20:00 in Spain)
Light a Candle of Hope

A call to prayer re. the Coronavirus pandemic

A National Day of Prayer and Action has been announced by the presidents of [Churches Together in England](#), re. the Coronavirus epidemic, for this Sunday 22nd March.

[In an excerpt from a joint letter](#), they wrote:

"At such a time as this, when so many are fearful and there is great uncertainty, we are reminded of our dependence on our loving Heavenly Father and the future that he holds.

Therefore, at 7pm (GMT) this Sunday, light a candle in the windows of your homes as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ, our source and hope in prayer."

Wherever you are in the world, we invite you to join with us in prayer to see an end to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Father,

We long for you to help us in the midst of all this chaos.

Please help people who are facing financial concerns, worries about their family, having plans ripped away and people concerned for their mental health.

Please help us as a planet to deal with this effectively. Please help a doctor or scientist find a cure, please help our experts as they face criticism and enormous stress.

We are so sorry that we put so much dependence on this world to bring us happiness and deliver us peace when you are the only answer to that.

Thank you that we have you and know you and you love us.

Amen.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 20:00 (19:00 GMT) An (Inter-)National Call to Prayer

Everyday: Join in to pray for our Chaplaincy at 10:00 and 19:00

THINKING AHEAD

Look out for each other

Watch out for updates from the Chaplaincy via MailChimp.

CLOCKS GO FORWARD

Fifth
SUNDAY
IN
LENT

Sunday 29th March

5th Sunday of Lent

Watch this space!

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