

The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

For the sake of others please do not attend if you have any symptoms of Covid19 or other respiratory illnesses.

Welcome to our Services

Refreshments are available and we invite you to stay and enjoy meeting others before you go home.

Sunday 17th March – Passion Sunday and Day of Prayer and Gifts

Please pray through your response for our Prayer and Gifts Day

Cards are available in church to make your response

11.00am Cudham United Holy Communion with dramatic

reading of the Passion narrative and

Sunday Club

6.30pm Downe Choral Evensong-tea and cake from 5.30pm

Readings: Romans 5: 12-end; Luke 22: 1-13

Rev John to lead and preach

Both services will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel - https://www.youtube.com/pcdchurches

Passion Sunday

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Tuesdays 19th and 26th March

10.00am Downe Holy Communion Services at St Mary's -

quiet and reflective services.

Please have a look at our **Easter leaflet**, which is available from the back of our churches for details of all our services over Eastertime and do take one for yourself or others.

Sunday 24th March - Palm Sunday

United All Age Service with Holy Communion 10.30am Cudham

'Walking with Jesus' procession starting from Christmas Tree Farm to church with donkeys Reading: Mark 11: 1-11 Rev John to lead

Maundy Thursday 28th March

7.30pm Cudham 1552 Service of the Lord's Supper in St

Katherine's Chapel, followed by Tenebrae (a meditation on Christ's suffering ending in

darkness) in The Chancel.

Readings: 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 and

Luke 22: 1-23. Rev John to lead and preach

Good Friday 29th March

Cudham Church - Messy Church and Easter Egg Hunt! -10.30am to 12 noon. Children, come along and have great fun getting messy! No charge - donations welcome on the day!

> Enjoy art and craft activities on the theme of: Easter! Light refreshments and hot cross buns provided! Don't forget to bring an adult or carer; they have to have fun too. Contact

Denise Angell email: denise.angell@virginmedia.com or by tel: 07957 206901 to book (for catering purposes) or for more details

2-3pm Downe - A reflective service at St Mary's

Easter Sunday 31st March

6.30pm Cudham Lighting of the Easter Fire, Sunrise

Communion in the Churchyard and Breakfast

Rev John to lead

9.30am Downe All Age Worship with baptism All Age Worship with baptism 11.00am Cudham Rev John to lead and Kim to speak at both services Prayer time in Cudham Church Office Wednesday morning 9.30am – all welcome to join us.

Our Homegroups regularly meet. Do join us if you can - **Meditation Group** - Christian Meditation will take place on Thursday 21st March at 10.00am in St Mary's. We look forward to seeing you. The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk https://www.wccm.uk

Wednesday Evening Homegroup –The group will next meet on 20th March at Sue Everest's at 8pm listening to Pete Greig's Lectio Divina Lent meditations – find out more at

www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-course/

Ladies Fellowship – will be meeting at 10am on Tuesday 26th March at Elizabeth's, Orpington. Please contact Barbara at barbiesherb@aol.com for more details.



Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. Jeremiah 29:12

Prayer points for this week

- For the life, witness and worship of our churches as we serve the rural communities of Cudham and Downe.
- For the head teachers, staff and pupils of our local schools and our church, school, community links.
- For Kim and John taking Collective Worship at Cudham and Downe Primary Schools this Tuesday and Thursday.
- For preparations for end of term school services in church and Messy Church on Good Friday.
- For our Pastoral Visitors' meeting at Cudham Church on Wednesday morning.
- For all those in pain, sickness and facing challenging decisions.
- ♣ For international efforts to relieve the humanitarian crisis in the Gaza strip.
- For the people of Ukraine and all those caught up in war and civil strife.

We encourage you to join us in daily prayer during Lent

Let us keep praying for one another and our families in our congregations, as well as our parishioners in both parishes. This week can we pray for Susan Nettlefold (Cudham) and Elizabeth Kwan, Hugh and Bethany Patience (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets – Rookery Road (Downe) and Cacket's Lane (Cudham).

Downe PCC meets on Thursday 21st March 7.30pm in church – agenda items to Rev John, please

Please pray for -

Andrea and family following the death of Andrew Preznanskzy.

The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit – Psalm 34:18

Prayer chain – please contact Rev John Musson if you have any prayer needs or requests. Email vicar@pcd.org.uk or tel: 07504 827929.

Pastoral Needs – our pastoral team is here to help, whether it's just for a chat or something that is troubling you. Why not give them a call on 07504 827929 or email pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk to arrange a visit or chat over the phone. We are here for you.

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