

The Parish Church of St Barnabas, Swanmore



**St Barnabas, Swanmore – Making Christ known in our community
through care for all, welcoming hospitality and worship for all ages**

Welcome to St Barnabas.....

ESPECIALLY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS FROM SWANMORE METHODIST CHURCH

If you would like more information about our church please speak to Claire (the Vicar),
or one of the many people helping out.

Information can also be found on our website: www.stbarnabas.org.uk.

Please do join us for tea or coffee after the service

Gluten free wafers are available. Please speak to the sidespeople if you would like one

Sunday March 25th Palm Sunday

(In church unless otherwise stated)

8.00 Eucharist

President & Preacher - Revd. Claire

10.00 Joint Eucharist with SMC

inc Sunday Club

Barnaby's opening hours this week:

Tue, Wed: 2pm – 4.30pm

Thu: 9am – 12 & 2pm – 4.30pm

Sat: 10am – 1pm

Tuesday 27th

10.00-11.00 Pause to Pray,
wherever you are

Wednesday 28th

9.15 School's Stations of the Cross

11.00 Eucharist

19.30 Tenebrae

20.00 Alpha Course,

at the Andersens home

Thursday 29th Maundy Thursday

8.15 Morning Prayer

11.00 Chrism Eucharist,

Portsmouth Cathedral

19.30 Sung Eucharist with

Foot Washing

21.00-22.30 Watch of Prayer

Friday 30th Good Friday

10.00 Messy Church

12.00-14.00 Church open for silent prayer

14.00-15.00 Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday 31st

10.00 Coffee Morning, Paterson Centre

12.00 Midday Prayers

Next Sunday 1st April Easter Sunday

6.00 'Dawn' Eucharist

7.15 Easter breakfast of Bucks Fizz &
Croissants

8.00 Eucharist

10.00 Family Eucharist & Easter Egg hunt

THE PALM GOSPEL John 12:12-16

Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you O Lord

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

We bless these palms and remember Jesus our Messiah, humble and riding on a donkey. May they be a sign to us of the Servant King. As we carry them, may they remind us to walk the way that leads to life. Hosanna!
Amen! Hosanna!

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
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. **Amen**

Reading : Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: Mark 15:1-47

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to

have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!' In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of

the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!' There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Notices

Feet wanted! Maundy Thursday is soon upon us. If you are please wiling to have your feet washed at the 7.30pm Sung Eucharist that evening, please see Claire.

Chrism Eucharist is being held at 11.00 am at the Cathedral on Maundy Thursday. At this service, the different oils used in church eg. for baptism and healing will be blessed and all licenced ministers, lay and ordained, will renew their ministerial promises to serve God and the Church. All welcome. If you would like to join me then please let me know. Claire

Church Spring Clean “Many hands make light work” Thank you to everyone who came in and helped with the Church Spring Clean last week. There are still a few jobs to be done and so we are extending the Spring Clean to include Monday and Tuesday of this coming week. If you are please able to pop in and give an hour or two of your time to do one of these, your help would be gratefully received. Cleaning materials are provided and tea and coffee will be available for you to make yourselves a hot drink. Thank you in anticipation of your help and support.

Save the Date! Samuel Frampton, our intern from 2013/14 is being ordained at St Albans Abbey at 11am on Sunday 1st July. He would be delighted if some of us from St Barnabas were able to share in this wonderful day with him. I will certainly be attending and have been invited to preach and concelebrate at his first service in his new curacy church that same evening. After Easter, we will have a sign-up list available for anyone who would like to come along. Claire.

Easter Flowers If you would like to remember a loved one by making a donation towards our Easter flowers, please use the envelopes provided in the basket at the back of the church and pop your contribution on the collection plate or in the safe near the church door. Thank you.

Meeting of Parishioners and APCM 2018 Thank you to all those who attended our annual meetings on Wednesday night - and to members of the PCC for providing drinks and nibbles. 6 people were elected to serve as PCC members - Ben Armstrong and Peter Boraston, beginning their second and successive terms of office with Amanda Ankers, Bobbie Branson and Elizabeth Newbold being newly elected also John Branson. Janet Chant was elected as a Deanery Synod Rep, and Bill Jones and Andrew Wilkinson as Churchwardens, to be supported by a team of deputies to help with the practicalities of the role. Teresa Reynolds was introduced as St Barnabas' new Parish Safeguarding Officer. Thanks were offered to Amanda Wollam, stepping down as PCC Secretary, to Hilary Walsh, stepping down as Church Cleaning Team Coordinator and to Jan White stepping down from all she has contributed over many years, not least with the Magazine and Paterson Centre.

Easter Sunday Our Dawn Eucharist will take place at 6am, followed by Breakfast, which will be served at 7.15 for 7.30am. Please sign up on the list at the back of church.

Meon Valley Food Bank Thank you so much for all your kind donations, they really do make a difference. The items needed for the coming week are breakfast/snack bars, tea, meat meals and UHT Long Life Milk. Follow us on twitter @MeonValleyFB or at www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk

Women's World Day of Prayer. Unfortunately due to the adverse weather on 2nd March, the services to mark this important day were cancelled across much of the country. As a result there will be a very large shortfall in money collected this year, so if anyone would like to make a donation I will be happy to take it and hand it on to Louise McEwen who will forward all monies to the national head office.
Jen Frampton.

Pause to Pray! Remember to Pause to Pray every Tuesday between 10am and 11am. It is not another prayer meeting but instead is an invitation to you to pray at some point in that hour wherever you are. Please pray for our church - that we might grow in our discipleship, our relationship with our community and in numbers of our church family.

Barnaby's Coffee Shop To continue the success of Barnaby's we are seeking more volunteers to help us serve delicious coffees, teas and homemade cakes to our customers. We are not asking for a huge commitment of time, even *just 30minutes* would be gratefully appreciated. There is no regular commitment either, you choose when you have time available and sign yourself up on the rota. Please pop in and leave your details or visit www.barnabys.coffee or phone 01489 854490.

For our daily prayers

All those who live in **New Road**.

Those we know who are unwell including : **Jan White, Wendy Tucker, Val Green, Albert Rogers, Clare Burton, Derek Lord, Peter Angelis, Carolyn Berry, Marion Harrison, John Harrison, Arthur O'Loughlin, Sydney Dean, Cedric Moppett, Margaret Moppett, Josh Stringer and Margaret Towns.**

Please pray for **Callum** aged 19 who has terminal brain cancer. He is at home having palliative care. Please pray for him, his mum Trish and his family.

All those who have been recently bereaved, especially the family and friends of **Francis (Don) Phipard-Shears** and Marian Read and family, with the loss of her brother **Andrew Gilbert**.

Please send all items for 1st April pew leaflet by **Wed 28th** afternoon to vicar@stbarnabas.org.uk or office@stbarnabas.org.uk