#### **NOTICES**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April A special service marking the death of His late Royal Highness THE PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH

#### 9.45am Calstone

**11.15am Heddington -** available on Facebook the live stream link should

be <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/272555127835005/</u>. If there are any problems, it should appear in <u>https://www.facebook.com/oldburybenefice/live/</u>. The service sheet is attached as there will be no words on screen.

10.00am Cherhill

2.30pm Compton Bassett

4.00pm Yatesbury

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2.00pm, Compton Bassett APCM to be held in church

Both the Sunday and Wednesday Coffee Mornings normally available on ZOOM will be paused until

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April Links will be posted nearer the time.

#### **Contact details**

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You will find contact details for the churchwardens in the Villages magazine.

Sunday 11th April 2021

Acts 4.32-35, John 20.19-31

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April

3rd Sunday of Easter

#### Staying safe at services COVID-19

We are excited to be able to welcome you back into our churches, but we want to make sure that no one is at risk in doing so. We will do our best to keep you safe, but you can help us by following these simple rules:



Wash your hands before and after coming to church, and use sanitiser when you enter the church building



Keep 2m apart wherever possible



Please wear a face covering unless you are exempt - you will be protecting others



Please do not shake hands or hug, either during the service or afterwards



Please follow the instructions of the wardens at all time, especially if going forward for



Please do not arrive very early or hang around for long after the service

**Children** are always welcome in our churches, but unfortunately, we cannot provide toys or books at this time.

**A loop system** may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.



#### Readings: Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31 NIV

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said,

"Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

### New Testament Reading: Acts 4:32-35 NIV

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.

With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them.

For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

## **Questions from Matt**

**Q1** What can you remember about when you first decided to follow Jesus?

# Q2.

Is there anything you are finding especially hard at the moment - tell someone, and ask them pray for you!

If you have answers to either or both questions you would like to share, please email them to me - I'd love to hear your views.

### **Questions from Linda**

**Q1.** How were the disciples changed once they had received the Holy Spirit?

**Q2.** What would you point to as evidence that Jesus is alive today, even though we cannot see him?