

## NOTICES

**Sunday 6th March**  
**10.30 am Yatesbury Benefice Communion**

Monday 7th March	10 am – 11:30 am Heddington Coffee morning
Tuesday 8th March	1.45 pm - 3.00 pm Lent group, Cherhill Rectory
Wednesday 9th March	9:15 am – 11:15 am Little Fishes
Thursday 10th March	7.00 pm – 8.15 pm Lent group, Home Farm Close, Heddington
Sunday 13th March	9.45 am Calstone Holy Communion 6.00 pm Cherhill Informal Evening Worship 11.15 am Compton Bassett Morning Worship 11.15 am Heddington Holy Communion

### **Contact details**

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

**6th March**  
**First Sunday of Lent**  
**Deuteronomy 26.1-11, Luke 4.1-13**  
**The basis of temptation**



O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels,  
and all just works do proceed;  
give unto thy servants that peace which the world  
cannot give;  
that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy  
commandments,  
and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear  
of our enemies  
may pass our time in rest and quietness;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
Amen.

**13th March**  
**Lent 2**  
**Don't be**  
**judgmental**

**The public health risk posed by Covid appears to have become significantly less of recent weeks. However, it has not gone away completely, and it seems advisable to continue to take extra care during our services.**

**It is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face mask during services. You are, of course, welcome to continue wearing one for the time being if you wish.**

**We are looking into the reintroduction of the common cup for communion, possibly with Easter as a date to work towards, but for now we will continue to offer wafers intincted with wine.**

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: Old Testament Deuteronomy 26:1-11 NIV**

When you have entered the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, take some of the first fruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the LORD your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name and say to the priest in office at the time, "I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come to the land the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the LORD your God.

Then you shall declare before the LORD your God: "My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labour. Then we cried out to the LORD, the God of our ancestors, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. So the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; and now I bring the first fruits of the soil that you, LORD, have given me."

Place the basket before the LORD your God and bow down before him. Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the LORD your God has given to you and your household.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13 NIV**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted[a] by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.'

Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone."'

The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, 'I will give you all their authority and splendour; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours.'

Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."'

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down from here. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."'

Jesus answered, 'It is said: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

### **Starting this week- LENT GROUPS**

There are two groups this year which are open to anyone across the benefice.

**Tuesday 8th March, and finishing on Tuesday 5th April.  
Meeting in the afternoons from 1.45pm – 3.00pm  
at the Rectory in Cherhill**

and

**Thursday 10th March and finishing on Thursday 7th April.  
Meeting from 7.00pm-8.15pm  
at 10 Home Farm Close in Heddington.**

It will offer opportunities for us to gather together in more informal circumstances, to reflect on our own journeys of faith, and to get to know each other better.

If you would like to come along, please let Matt or Linda know.

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**The Big Breakfast at Heddington (in aid of toilet & kitchen)  
Sunday, 13th March 9.00am to 12noon  
Heddington Village Hall**

**Full English Breakfast with Fruit Juice, Tea, Coffee & Toast £6.00 per person, Go Large £8.00, (5 years and under £3.00)  
Please Book and Pay in advance with either  
Jane Horton 01380 850684 or Rosalie Gowlland 01380 859186**

**Monday Coffee mornings at Heddington Church  
7th March at 10:00am  
Term time only, all welcome**