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Dear Parishioners and Friends of All Saints, Boyne Hill,

As I write this newsletter on the Sunday 3 April, I am about to join a zoom meeting to discover ways in which the Diocese of Oxford is trying to support refugees from Ukraine during this time of war. Today also marks a day that Christians throughout the country are keeping to pray for an end to the conflict in Ukraine and to seek peace for the world.

As a parish I know many of you have been supporting in your own way. There have been donations made to the DEC and the 15 charities that are supporting people on the ground in Ukraine and there has been the support of Monika's cousin Tomek and his family as they have housed, at this moment in time, 6 people from Ukraine. I am going to share with you the words of Agata and Tomek.

We wholeheartedly thank you for your involvement in helping the families we sheltered. The fact that there are people all over the world who are not indifferent to the fate of others allows us to believe in the meaning of existence these days.

On behalf of all Ukrainians, we would like to thank Jeremy and Monika and the entire Maidenhead community for their support and prayers.

Thank you,

Agata and Tomek

This second card is from the Ukrainian people being supported by Agata and Tomek

This is an important and terrible time for us and for all of Ukraine. We would like to express our gratitude to all those who help our family and our country. Your support gives us strength and sustains the spirit in our souls and hearts. Your concern for us means that we are not alone, and that we have the support of sensitive people with a good heart and a pure soul, who dared to care for us as if they were family.

A low bow to you, thank you from the bottom of our hearts,

Yours sincerely,

Aliona, Anastazja, Dawid, Kiryl, Darina, Wiktoria (Victoria)

If you would like to read these messages for yourselves I have placed them on the altar in the Lady Chapel.

Thank you as well to all of you that are praying for the people who are suffering throughout the world at this time.

Finally, as we journey through Passiontide and into Holy Week, I pray that as many people as possible may find time to experience again through the liturgies the story of Our Lord entering Jerusalem, sharing the Last Supper, in humility washing the disciples' feet, before offering his life on a cross that we might experience transformed life through the resurrection. Please take note of the Holy Week booklet that was sent with Parish News last week and join us for some of the services which are at the heart of the Christian faith.

Thank you to Fr John for sharing a thoughtful and helpful Quiet Morning last Saturday as we prepared for Holy Week.

RESOURCES THIS WEEK

Thursday 7 April	9.15am 7.00pm 8.00pm	Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross led by Jeanette Lock Choir Practice in the Parish Centre
Friday 8 April	9.00am 9.15am 10.00am	<i>Assembly at Boyn Hill Infant School</i> Morning Prayer in Church. All welcome Tiny Saints in the Parish Centre. The Easter Story
Sunday	10.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm	Starting in the Parish Centre with the Palm Procession into Church Eucharist: Celebrant: Fr John Preacher: Fr Jeremy Stations of the Cross for Families & children <i>Taizë Service at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green</i>
Monday 11	7.30pm	Eucharist with Address by Fr Jeremy
Tuesday 12	7.30pm	Eucharist with Address by Fr John
Wednesday 13	10.00am 2.30pm 7.30pm	Eucharist with Address by Fr Jeremy <i>Senior Saints meet at Brenda Illott's</i> Stations of the Cross

MASK OR NO MASK

With the relaxing of rules and protocols for Covid we suggest that one half of the Church building (Lady Chapel) be kept for those who prefer masks and the other side for those feeling confident enough to worship without masks.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

United and whole, show us the way of peace that is your overwhelming presence.

We hold before you the peoples of Ukraine and Russia, Every child and every adult.

We long for the time when weapons of war are beaten into ploughshares, when nations no longer lift up sword against nation.

We cry out to you for peace; Protect those who only desire and deserve to live in security and safety

Comfort those who fear for their lives and the lives of loved ones, be with those who are bereaved.

Change the hearts of those set on violence and aggression and fill leaders with the wisdom that leads to peace.

Kindle again in us a love for our neighbour, and a passion for justice to prevail
And a renewed recognition that we all play a part in peace.
Creator of all hear our prayer and bring us peace. Make us whole. Amen.

After watching our films looking at Sustainability, we pray that we may as a congregation continue to discover ways of simple living that will help reduce our carbon footprint and live in harmony with God's world.

We pray and give thanks for the mission and ministry opportunities for our parish of All Saints. As we look forward to the APCM in April may we give thanks for those who have given their time and talents this year as members of the PCC and other mission groups and all areas of our life within the Boyne Hill community. We pray that more people may discern gifts to share the Christian message in God's world.

Among those who have asked for our prayers, we pray for Suzette, Danielle, Fr John Chadwick, Dave Hill, Eliza, Dave's parents and Anne and Chris, Paul Latham, Doris Winn, Mikhail, Doreen Hill, John Hicks, Roger and Jane Baldery, Birmta Zadinane, Kirsty Banner, Carol Atkin, Harrison Hawkes, Heidi Webb, and Florence Harrison. May they know God's loving and healing presence. We pray for any in our parish who need God's loving grace and healing touch at this time.

We remember the recently departed including Richard Coxwell & Daisy Florence Keysell and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Lord Jesus, you journeyed to Jerusalem many times, as a child and as a man, touching many lives along the way as you taught and healed and challenged. Thank you for inviting us to journey with you through this week, for showing us the depth of your courage and the power of your love. Thank you, Lord, for being our King and Saviour – and our friend. You are worthy of our praise. Amen. (Prayer from Roots for Palm Sunday)

May we all be blessed by God's love this week
Fr Jeremy

Worship for Sunday 10 April PALM SUNDAY

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.

EPISTLE Philippians 2: 5 - 11

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.

GOSPEL Luke 23: 1 - 49

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, 'We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.' Then Pilate asked him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' He answered, 'You say so.' Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, 'I find no basis for an accusation against this man.' But they were insistent and said, 'He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.' When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.' Now he was obliged to release someone for them at the festival. Then they all shouted out together, 'Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!' (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!' A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.' But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, "Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed." Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us"; and to the hills, "Cover us." For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?' Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.' It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, 'Certainly this man was innocent.' And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

MUSIC

Opening Hymn: AM 159 All glory, laud and honour

Entrance Hymn: AM 160 Make way, make way

Gradual AM 156 We sing the praise of him who died

Offertory: AM 147 My song is love unknown

Communion: AM 421 All for Jesus all for Jesus

Closing Hymn: AM 161 Ride on, ride on in majesty

Postlude: Fantasia super Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 735 *J S Bach*

APCM MONDAY 25 APRIL AT BOYNE HILL CRICKET CLUB AT 7.00pm (FOOD AT 6.30pm)

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held on Monday 25 April starting at 7.00pm, at Boyne Hill Cricket Club, Boyn Grove, Maidenhead SL6 5AE. **All relevant papers are attached to this newsletter for those on the Electoral Roll.**

If you wish to attend, please sign the list at the back of the church. You can order supper - Fish & Chips @ £8 or Chicken & Chips @ £6.50. Supper will be available at 6.30 pm. Anyone wishing to have supper should place their order on the sign-up sheet and pay Sue Stannett in advance, so that the confirmed orders can be placed in good time.

PCC ELECTIONS

The following elections will take place during the APCM

- Annual elections of two Churchwardens
- Elections to the PCC. There are four vacancies.
- Election to Deanery Synod as Lay Rep. There is one vacancy

There are nomination forms at the back of the church, if you wish to nominate someone as a candidate in any of these elections. You need to be on the Electoral Roll to take part in these elections.

David Morgan (PCC Secretary)

GOOD NEWS ABOUT THE FLOOR

We have all been increasingly puzzled as to when the floor will receive its waxing to protect the surface. I am pleased to be able to tell you that the work is now scheduled for week commencing Monday 16 May, and may take up to and including Saturday 21 May. The church will not be accessible during those days so it is expected that the Wednesday morning Eucharist will take place in the Parish Centre. *Ken Smith*

SENIOR SAINTS WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL 2.30pm

Our first meeting of 2022 will be held at Brenda Illott's house, 35 Altwood Road. Everyone is welcome.

Margaret Hill & Wendy Channon

MARLOW PLAYERS MURDER MYSTERY FRIDAY 22 APRIL 7.30pm IN CHURCH!!

Please see poster attached to the email.