Services today: The Third Sunday of Lent

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Principal Service: Exodus 17.1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5.1-11, John 4.5-42;

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Please note the following days off each week: Rector - Saturday; Vicar - Tuesday; Curate – Friday

Please send future notices to Neal at news@dissteamministry.org.uk by midday on Wednesday

Website: www.dissteamministry.org.uk Facebook: DissTeamMinistry Twitter: Ministry_Diss
Church Diary

Morning Prayer Mon-Fri at 8.30am and Evening Prayer Mon-Thu at 5.00pm at St Mary’s Diss

Mon 16th
9:00 AM  Bressingham School Assembly
2:00 PM  Lent Discover meeting
7:30 PM  Diss Bell Ringing Practice
7:30 PM  Lent Discover meeting

Tue 17th
5:30 PM  Silent Prayer in St Mary’s Hall, Diss

Wed 18th
9:00 AM  Diss Infant School Assembly
10:30 AM  Coffee Morning at Roydon Parish Room
10:30 AM  Eucharist Service at St Mary’s Hall, Diss
12:30 PM  Funeral of Olive Scott at Roydon Church
2:00 PM  Lent Discover meeting
7:30 PM  Roydon PCC

Thu 19th
1:00 PM  Carers Group at St Mary's, Diss
2:00 PM  Lent Discover meeting
7:15 PM  Choir Practice (St Mary’s)
7:30 PM  Our Climate Challenge talk at St Margaret’s Church, Hempnall

Fri 20th
9:30 AM  Coffee Morning Cake/Book stalls in St Mary’s hall, Diss
10:00 AM  FoodBank until noon
12:00 PM  Persian Carpets Sale in St Mary's Hall, Diss
12:30 PM  Christian Aid Lent Lunch at Roman Catholic Church
1:30 PM  Funeral of Betty James at West Suffolk Crematorium
7:30 PM  Friends of Diss Museum meeting in St Mary's Hall, Diss

Sat 21st
9:00 AM  Persian Carpets Sale in St Mary’s Hall, Diss

Services for Mothering Sunday

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FOODBANK

Are short of the following:
• pasta sauce
• Smash
• tinned vegetables (not baked beans)
• tinned tomatoes
• toilet rolls
• toiletries - shampoo, deodorant, shower gel

SHEEP

We need more knitted sheep at St Mary’s, Diss. There is a pattern in the Team Office that we used previously if you would like one. They are needed for the Crib service so plenty of time to make them. Thank you.

METHODIST LENT COURSE

People are invited to attend the Methodist Lent Course entitled ‘From now on’ which is held at the Methodist Church, Victoria Road, on Thursdays at 7.00pm. Revd David Ely will be leading the course based on Rachel Mann’s book ‘Hope and Redemption in the Greatest Showman.’

CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCH

Many thanks to all the people who came to the St. Mary’s lunch, and enjoyed the delicious meal and good company. The total for Christian Aid was £193.81, which was very generous. Special thanks to all those who cooked, prepared, served and washed up. The remaining Lent Lunches are at St. Henry Morse R.C. on 20 March, Salvation Army 27 March and the U.R.C. on 3 April, all at 12.30. We look forward to seeing you again.

VISITS

The clergy team will always visit when requested. Please, if you would like a visit contact Maggie first (644701). Remember, we are not mind readers. Those who are sick often do not want visitors, but we will ALWAYS visit when asked.

NORWICH CATHEDRAL LEAFLET

Details of our Cathedral’s Lent, Holy Week and Easter, services, music discussions, preachers etc, are available in a leaflet at the back of St Mary’s – please help yourselves. Also in it are details of Bishop Graham’s Lent appeal. Also at back leaflet with details of our Cathedral’s Music Appeal.

DISS CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

The roll will be revised from 8th March-22nd March. If you are not on the roll and would like to be, please pick up a form from the Team Office – but it must be returned by 22nd March.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

It is time to revise our Electoral Rolls for the Country parishes. Any baptized member of the congregation can apply to join their Church Roll. Church wardens have forms, which need to be completed by the beginning of April.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Fersfield: The Waveney Choir will be performing Roger Jones’ oratorio ‘Mary Magdalene’ at St. Andrew’s Church, Fersfield, at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 1 April. Tickets are £5 at the door. The draw for the Fersfield Easter Draw will be made at the end of the performance.
Please remember in your Prayers this week

**The Church:**
Bishops: Graham (Norwich), Alan (Thetford) and Jonathan (Lynn)
The Religious Society of Friends and the Area Representative, David Saunders.
All who attend Baptism Services in our churches.
We pray that young families will feel able to attend and be welcomed by our church members.

**The World:**
Peace in the world

**Our neighbours:**
Local industry: All those who work in factories.

**All who are ill or in special need:**
We pray for all who work to help the suffering. You, Lord, fed the hungry, healed the sick and restored sight to the blind. Be with them, uphold and guide them whatever their needs. Amen.

**Those who have died:**
Olive Scott, funeral on Wednesday 18th March at 12.30pm at Roydon church,
Betty James, funeral at West Suffolk Crematorium on 20th March at 1.30pm,
Richard Vere, Churchwarden at North Lopham, funeral on Monday 30th March at 1.30pm at North Lopham church and all our loved ones.

**The Saints:**
Patrick, Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland, c.460 (17th)
Joseph of Nazareth (19th)
Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 687 (20th)
Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556 (21st)

**The Shorter Collect for The Third Sunday of Lent**

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.