

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

**Sunday 11th March, 2018 – Mothering Sunday
10:00 Parish Communion**

Hymns

Opening: 186	Gradual: 272
Offertory: 73	Communion: 285
Final: He's got the whole world in his hands	

Kyrie:

**Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

Collect:

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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

Sanctus/Benedictus:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.**

Agnus Dei:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Grant us peace.**

Gary Philbrick - A Modal Mass

Hymn: He's got the whole world in his hands

Refrain

**He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.**

**He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands. Refrain**

**He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands. Refrain**

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands. (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands. Refrain

He's got all of our Mothers in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands. Refrain

He's got everybody here in his hands. (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands. Refrain

8:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Parish Communion

First Reading: 1 Samuel 1. 20 - 28

Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only - may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my Lord! As you live, my Lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 1. 3 - 7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

Gospel: Luke 2. 33 - 35

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

Post Communion Prayer:

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Hello Children – Where is Mary Mouse hiding?

We welcome everyone to this church and particularly families and their children. We are all children of God no matter what our age, and young children are our future. There are books, colouring sheets and pens provided in the children's corner which they are encouraged to use. If as a member of the congregation you find noise distracting, do please come and sit in the front pews, away from the children's corner.

Sunday Club meets on the first Sunday of each month in church then to the community room for a story and activities. For details contact Gillian, gillian.pett29@gmail.com We are also looking for helpers on an occasional or regular basis.

Toddler group, for children aged 0 to 3 years and their parents/carers, meeting each **Thursday**, 9.30 to 11.30, in the community room during term time. We are looking for people to help on the rota on a regular or

occasional basis. If you are interested please contact Gillian, gillian.pett29@gmail.com

INTERCESSIONS:

Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services, Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the priest in charge know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray. Intentions left in the loose leaf book at the back of the North Aisle will be offered each week at the Parish Communion. If you prefer, you can write your prayer intention on one of the tags provided and hang it on the prayer tree at the back of church, or light a votive candle.

Cloakroom facilities are available in the Community Room during church services.

Gift Aid Donations: We welcome all donations from visitors and there are Gift Aid envelopes at the back of church. If you pay tax we can reclaim 25p for every pound you donate to the Church at no cost to yourself, if you have completed the declaration on the envelope. For further information, or to join the planned giving scheme, please contact Mrs. Ann Smith, mobile no. 07710 452647; email, jannsmith_2@hotmail.com

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD – WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Today - Mothering Sunday: Posies will be distributed at all services today Sincere thanks to those who worked hard to produce them.

Marriage Banns: Please pray for Paul Seaman & Ann Smith, whose Banns are being read from 4th March, as they prepare for their marriage at St. Mary's on 7th April.

Michael Edwards R.I.P.: Michael was a member of our congregation and a BCP man who attended Evensong and enjoyed this service. He had a great sense of humour and especially enjoyed critiquing the sermons; he listened well! He had a strong faith and had contributed extensively, yet quietly, to our church and village community over many years. He died on 12th February from complications following skin grafts after he was badly burned in an accident. His wife died some years ago and we send our sympathy to their two sons. His funeral is at 11.15 am on Monday 12th March - tomorrow - at the Crematorium.

Cambridge City Foodbank: The organizers expressed their thanks for the donations sent from our collection last week. Our next collection will be on Easter Day, 1st April.

Gt & Lt Shelford CoE (VA) Primary School: Thanks for all your prayers and interest in the appointment of the new head teacher. We held the interviews this week and we hope to make a verbal announcement shortly.

Deanery Spring Fair - Thank you for your support for the fair yesterday; a verbal update on the amount raised will be given this morning.

Lent Activities 2018:

Count Your Blessings this Lent with Christian Aid

Celebrate the good things in your life this Lent with a thought-provoking Count Your Blessings calendar. This Lent, reflect each day on the blessings in your life and join in giving thanks. Be inspired by daily opportunities to give, act and pray for communities in need. Enjoy Count Your Blessings as a personal journey or share it with family or friends. Leaflets available for both adults and children at the back of church today.

Lent Breakfasts

Our first Lent breakfast took place today and will be available again on **18th and 25th March at 8:45am** in the Community Room. These give an opportunity for those who attend the 8.00am service and those who can arrive early for the 10.00am service to share fellowship over breakfast. A small donation will be asked and all are most welcome to the services and breakfasts.

Lent Course - ' Come & see..... '

The Lent Group is following the Diocese of Ely Lent course entitled 'Come & See....' a Lent Course for 2018 – journeying through Lent with St John's Gospel. Five studies take us through the key moments in St John's gospel. The material is designed to be easy to use, with ideas for prayer activities, led reflections and questions for discussion.

Lent Group Meetings 2018 - 7.30pm Host

13th Mar. -

43 Hinton Way

20th Mar. -

84 High Street

Everyone welcome. Do bring your bible with you.

Lent Lunches

The local churches are hosting Lent Lunches again this year in aid of overseas development charities on Fridays; on the **16th March** St Mary's will be hosting in the Community Room, starting at **12.30pm**.

Electoral Roll Revision: It is the time of year when we need to revise the church Electoral Roll. Please check that your details are correct on the list at the back of church and let me know if they need to be updated. If your name is not on the list, please take a form from the back of the church and return it to me when it is completed. The revision closes on Sun. 25th March. Thank you. Wendy (Seekings).

Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) and the Church of England: The central Church of England Safeguarding Team have produced the following question and answer sheet to help provide parishes with a clearer understanding about the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) and the Church of England:-

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-02/Parish%20QA%20Feb%201.pdf>

Printed copies are available at the back of church for those with no internet access. This is a matter that will increasingly receive both national and local attention in the coming weeks.

Meaningful Easter Eggs: If anyone would like to order these Fairtrade eggs, which come with a booklet telling the Easter story, please contact Stella as soon as possible. The eggs cost £3.99 each.

Confirmation: The Deanery is hosting a celebration of Confirmation and Holy Communion in Nov. 2018. All parishes in the Deanery are being invited to prepare and present candidates. If you are an adult or younger person and would like to be Confirmed, please speak to Simon Talbott, Monica Cameron or one of the Churchwardens **as soon as possible**. Once we have an idea of numbers, we can start planning preparation sessions for later in the year.

Alms Giving 2018: The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in March will be going to SSYI. Alms can be gift aided provided your giving is in an envelope marked 'Alms' and with your PIN. Alms not in envelopes should be placed in the alms bowl as you come into church. This stands on the offertory box at the back of church, near the back pew

Today

18:30 Evensong

Wednesday 14th, 2018

09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 18th March, 2018

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Parish Communion

18:30 Evensong

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator

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