

Museum Street Methodist Church Ipswich

A town centre Christian Church committed to enriching individual lives
and the wellbeing of community.



Notices for 4th Sunday in Lent - 26th March 2017

Mothering Sunday

This morning's service at 10.45 a.m. will be led by Mr. Bryan Nichols

The Stewards this morning are: Jackie and Catherine

Technical help is provided by David Welbourn

Lent Liturgy Responsive Prayer

Let us pray;

All:

Loving God, we thank you that you are with us, and that we may call upon you
no matter where we are, or what we are feeling.

Keep us mindful of your presence and trusting in your promise – that you are
working with us in the moment-by-moment unfolding of our lives.

Amen

Minister: Revd Derek Grimshaw
Tel: 01473 805486

Welcome to all who are joining us for worship today.

We ask you to pray for those who are unable to join us for worship, especially those who are ill in hospital, at home or in a retirement or care home.

We hope that you will continue to meet with us for fellowship over a cup of coffee or tea at the end of the service.

Preachers who are taking services elsewhere today.

11.00am	Framlingham	Rev. Derek Grimshaw
4.00pm	Bramford	Rev. Derek Grimshaw
11.00am	Trimley	Mrs. Diana Sawyer
10.45am	Woodbridge	Mr. Colin Westren
10.15am	Manningtree	Martin Ellis

Next Week's Service 2nd April

10.45am Rev. Derek Grimshaw..... Passion Sunday

Preachers taking services elsewhere next Sunday

10.45am	Alan Road	Rev. Derek Grimshaw
10.00am	Holbrook	Martin Ellis
4.00pm	Norwood	Rev. Derek Grimshaw
10.30am	Orford	Harry Chicken
9.45am	Seaton Road	Prof. David Welbourn
am	Landseer Road	Maggie Finbow

Zambesi Mission

Handmade Easter Cards are now available to buy at the back of church, with all proceeds going to our Overseas Mission project.

Why Are You a Methodist?

I am grateful to those people who have already filled in a "Why are You a Methodist?" questionnaire which I am asking people to fill in, in order to provide me with the data required to complete one of the assignments I have to do, as part of my Local Preacher studies. If you haven't yet completed a questionnaire and would be prepared to do so copies are available on the table at the rear of the church. The box for completed questionnaires will be available until Easter Sunday.

Maggie Finbow

Circuit Arts & Crafts Festival

Thanks you to those people who have already submitted their entry forms.

Reminder: Entry forms need to be in by **Wednesday 29th March.**

Fair Trade Shop, Ipswich

We are looking forward to celebrating Easter once again, and would like to draw your attention to the range of Real Easter Eggs available from the Fair Trade Shop.

Real Easter Egg NEW 2017 Range



**The egg that shares
the Easter story**

If you would like a quantity of these (more than 2 or 3) we would appreciate it if you could place an order with Anne Durnford

Anne.durnford@thefairtradeshopipswich.co.uk or 01473 727790.

The original Real Easter Egg is £3.99, the Dark Chocolate is £5.50 and the Real Easter Egg Hunt Box is £5.

We also stock Divine fairly-traded eggs, chocolates, brightly-painted Easter decorations made in Kashmir, and a lovely range of Easter cards with Bible texts.

We would be pleased to welcome you to our shop in Upper Brook Street; if you have not visited us before you'll be amazed at the range of fairly-traded and environmentally-friendly products on sale.

We are always happy to arrange a sale-or-return sale for your church; please enquire if you are interested in booking a date.

Easter blessings from all at the Fair Trade Shop.

01473 288225
www.thefairtradeshopipswich.co.uk

East Africa Famine Appeal

You will have seen the horrendous pictures on the television, and in newspapers, of the effects of the drought currently being experienced by the people of East Africa.

Over the next three Sundays we shall be making a collection to be sent to All We Can to help alleviate the problem.

When we consider how much we have, and realise that the people we see have absolutely nothing, it is our Christian duty to try to help.

Please be as generous as you can.

Many thanks, Grahame

LENT CALENDAR

We hope that you are “enjoying” each day in making your calculated amount for your giving. But what is more important is, as we total up our gift for each day, is to realise how fortunate we are compared to many others, not only in this country but also in the world.

Every blessing – Ray & Diana

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Offering Envelopes for the new financial year are now available from the table at the back of the church. Please take your own set, and if you can deliver any to those who are not able to be here please take those as well.

Many thanks, Grahame

GIFT DAY

Gift Day letters are now available from the back of the Church.

Please take your own and any others that are addressed to family, neighbours or friends to pass on. This will save on postage costs that would otherwise be expended.

Colin

ANNIVERSARY GIFT DAY.

Apologies for the late issue of Gift Day envelopes.

I'm pleased to report that to date we have received £935. Any further donations can be placed with the Sunday collections.

Our grateful thanks for your continued financial support.

Mike Howell

Museum Street Diary for March

26	Sun	10.45	Mr. Bryan Nichols
28	Tues	12.30pm	Community Lunch
29	Wed	10am	Come for a Coffee and chat.

Items for inclusion in next week's notices should be with Barbara Wearne by 8pm on Thursday.

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