

**Chesterfield Parish Church  
Saint Mary & All Saints**

**R**econilers

In my family—and I know this is the case in many others—it was my mother who was the reconciler. She kept her counsel about matters that divided us, and encouraged us to realise that life is too short for petty quarrels.



Reconciling people to God and with each other costs the same sacrificial love, shown to us in the cross of Jesus.

***Let's thank our mothers for their sacrificial love—and seek to be reconcilers—like them and like Jesus—whatever the cost.***

**Lent IV / Mothering Sunday  
(30th March 2025)**

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 Choral Mass

18.30 Choral Evensong & Lent Address

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES**

**MONDAY-SATURDAY**

**MORNING PRAYER** 09.00

**EVENING PRAYER** 16.00 (Thursday 17.00)

**MONDAY** Mass 12.15

**TUESDAY** Mass 09.30

**WEDNESDAY** Holy Communion (1662) 09.30

**THURSDAY** Mass 17.30

**FRIDAY** Mass 12.15

**SATURDAY** Mass 09.30

**NEXT SUNDAY** *See back page*

*The church is open for private prayer and visiting Monday-Saturday 09.00 - 16.00*

**THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

**Saturday 5th April, 7.30pm**

Rossini's 'Petite Messe Solennelle'  
with The Chesterfield Philharmonic Choir

*Full details of events may be found at [crookedspire.org](http://crookedspire.org), on the notices displayed in church, or from the organisers.*

**Please respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer, and those who wish to listen to the closing organ voluntary.**

**LENT IV - MOTHERING SUNDAY**  
**CHORAL MASS**

Processional Hymn: 428

Setting: *Missa Sancti Johannis de Deo* (Josef Haydn)

**Collect Prayer**

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**A reading from the Book of Joshua**

**Joshua 5.9-12**

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.' And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were encamped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 106

Pre-Gospel Responses: Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory

**Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory**

**Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke**

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Luke 15.1-3, 11b-end**

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he told them this parable:

'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'"'

So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found ."'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 483

Communion Motet: God be in my head (Walford Davies)

Post-Communion Hymn: 378 (*t.i*)

Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in C BWV545  
(Johann Sebastian Bach)

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### **CHORAL EVENSONG & LENT ADDRESS**

Lent Prose: 644

Responses: Green

Psalm(s): 30

First Lesson: Isaiah 40.27-41.13

Office Hymn: 391 (*t.i*)

Canticles: Sumsion in G

Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 4.1-18

Anthem: *Cantique de Jean Racine* (Gabriel Fauré)

Hymn: 460

Hymn: 345

Voluntary: *Pastorale* (César Franck)

## Prayer Intentions This Week:

### Today 30th March - Lent IV / Mothering Sunday

- For all mothers and those entrusted with nurturing children
- ◇ The Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo

### Monday 31st March - John Donne

- For the Derby Diocese Mothers' Union
- ◇ Maryland - The Episcopal Church
- ✦ *George Wood; Simon French; Maureen Gordon; Greta Hutchinson*

### Tuesday 1st April - Frederick Denison Maurice

- Mercia Deanery
- ◇ Masasi - The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- ✦ *Mary Webb; Yvonne Whiston*

### Wednesday 2nd April

- Parishes of All Saints' Aston-on-Trent, St Bartholomew's Elvaston, St Mary's Weston-on-Trent and Shardlow, St Wilfrid's Barrow-upon-Trent with Twyford and St James's Swarkestone
- ◇ Maseno East - The Anglican Church of Kenya
- ✦ *John Dobbs; Gertrude Ellis*

### Thursday 3rd April

- Parishes of St Saviour Foremark and St Wystan's Repton with Newton Solney
- ◇ Maseno North - The Anglican Church of Kenya

### Friday 4th April

- Parish of St Mary and St George's Gresley
- ◇ Maseno South - The Anglican Church of Kenya
- ✦ *Albert Phipps; Ivy Rosling; George Wilson*

### Saturday 5th April

- Parishes of St Michael and St Mary's Melbourne, St George's Ticknall, St James's Smisby and St Michael's Stanton-by-Bridge
- ◇ Maseno West - The Anglican Church of Kenya
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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**Parish Reader:** John Gascoyne

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## Our prayers have been asked for:

John Robinson; Jean Madin; Colin Hutson; Jean Morris; Wendy Layton; Ambrose Mason; Paul Bates; Tony Ragan; Sue Hastings; Barbara Carter; David Pedrick; Joseph Watson; Imelda Davies; Ralph Turner; John Nickols; Terry; Les & Lynn Metcalfe; Jackie Turner; Shirley Francis; Olivia, Sebastian & baby Ophelia; Cathy; June Robinson; Joe Martin; Rosemary Cain; Joan Melbourne; Trevor Crane; Peter Hill

✦ *Katrina Bird, RIP*  
✦ *David McGhie, RIP*

## Easter Memorial Flowers

In addition to the traditional Easter pedestals (available for sponsorship of £40), the Flower Guild will again be offering individual memorial Easter Lilies at £5 per lily, to be displayed in St Oswald's chapel, thus providing two ways to commemorate loved ones as well as to support the wonderful work of the Guild. For Easter Lily option, please contact Dorothy Turner on 07974 829350 by Sunday 6th April.

## Saturday 5th April

Rossini's 'Petite Messe Solennelle' with The Chesterfield Philharmonic Choir, 7.30pm.  
Tickets available from the Gift Shop or from the organisers.

## Friday 18th April (Good Friday)

Come and sing John Stainer's 'The Crucifixion'.  
Rehearsals 4.30 - 6.30pm, public performance 7pm. Contact Peter Shepherd.

## Gift Shop

Easter and Ordination cards and gifts now in stock.

## Next Sunday - 6th April - Passion Sunday

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 Choral Mass  
Readings: Isaiah 43.16-21  
John 12.1-8

18.30 Choral Evensong with Lent Address  
Readings: Psalm(s) 35  
2 Chronicles 35.1-6, 10-16  
Luke 22.1-13

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