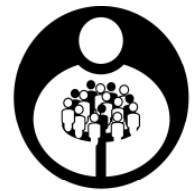


# Update



The Parish of Cogges

St. Mary's Church Cogges

*making Christ known by word and deed...*

**Week beginning Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2010**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent)**



To Everyone  
Worshipping With  
Us Today!



Next Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.30 am Morning Prayer, St James  
11.00 am Morning Worship, St Mary's  
6.00 pm Evening Prayer

If you are new to the church we'd like to get to know you and help you to find out more about us. If you would like to find out Who's Who in the Church look in the Green book on the Shelf by the door. Please fill in a welcome card from the shelf by the main church door and hand it to one of the clergy. Please also sign the visitor's book on the table at the door.

If you would like to Gift Aid your giving today, there are envelopes available on the shelf by the church door or from Jen Osman t. 704577.

## PRAYER FOCUS FOR FEBRUARY

The Anglican Church in Baghdad

For protection and safety for all who live and work near it.

The Vicar Andrew White  
The Congregation

The Humanitarian work- hospital, shelters, schools.

Doctors, Nurses, teachers and other workers and volunteers.

For the repair work after the bombing in November 2009, that there will be funds to do this despite the increase in bombings etc. in Baghdad.

## Celebrating Lent at St Mary's Cogges – Open to God

Lent (the 40 days up to Easter) is a time for all of us as a church family to take some time to stop and listen to God – for ourselves, our loved ones, our church, our communities, our nation and our world. We want everyone to be involved.

There will be two opportunities for us to gather together to worship, pray and learn together on Wednesday evenings – 3, 10, 17, 24 March 8-9.30pm in Church (starting with drinks & cakes) and on Thursday mornings – 4, 11, 18, 25 March 9.15-10.30 in Church (starting with drinks & cakes). Children are welcome!



Does God Exist

Yes

No

Probably

Explore the meaning of life.

The ALPHA Course

St Mary's Church, Cogges

Begins on Monday 10 May 2010

At 7.00pm

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## OUR MINISTERS

Andrew Sweeney and  
Andrew Pritchard have  
their day off on Friday



In order to protect  
Miri's off duty days  
please be aware that her  
working days are as  
follows:  
Sunday and  
Tuesday to Thursday



Today

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.30 am Church Breakfast, St James  
11.00 am Morning Worship, St Mary's  
3.00 pm Jigsaw  
6.00 pm Madley Care Home Service



Reading Today  
Exodus 32: 1 - 14



In the week ahead :

### Tuesday

10.30 am Admin Meeting, The House  
1.30 pm Toddler Group, St Mary's

### Wednesday

9-9.45 am Blake Assembly  
8.00 pm Open to God, St Mary's

### Thursday

9.15 am Open to God, St Mary's  
10.00 am Prayer meeting, The Office



Tickets for the Ray Burley  
concert on the 20<sup>th</sup> March are  
now on sale at the Church  
office. Priced £8 and £5 concessions.



### SERMONS-ON-THE-WEB

The sermons from each Sunday morning 11:00am service, and other main services, at Cogges are now available as MP3 audio files to listen to or to download from the Cogges Parish website. If you wish to be notified by email when the sermons have been updated on the web, please email either the church office or Les Curwood with your request. The 21<sup>st</sup> February – Andrew Pritchard is now available. Also the picture of the last supper by Nicolas Mynheer has been added as a link under “Presentation” to the sermon on 14<sup>th</sup> February-Stuart Harrison.

[www.coggesparish.com/sermons](http://www.coggesparish.com/sermons)



Easter is not far away, so it's time to think about lilies; you may remember the beautiful displays we enjoyed last year and we'd like to do them again. If you would like to donate £5 - the cost of a lily - in memory of a loved one, please speak to Elizabeth Williams (773096) or Jen Osman (704577) before 21st March. Thank you.



### Ladies' Link Lunch

The next lunch is on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 12 Noon at *The Windrush*, Burford Road. NB. Judy Poole (Tel 705432) is the contact person this month.

### Great Awakenings 27 June – 3 July

Wycliffe Hall Summer School 2010 is sure to be an exciting week as we revisit revivals of the past and look at God's call for our lives today. Oxford tours, excursions and a lovely concluding banquet are combined with a week of study, worship and a chance to engage with Wycliffe staff. A tremendous opportunity for all! For more details visit [www.wycliffe.ox.ac.uk](http://www.wycliffe.ox.ac.uk) Early bird prices end 8 March.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>     | Joint Evening Service of Holy Communion at High St Methodist Church at 6pm |
| March 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Open to God 8pm  |
| March 4 <sup>th</sup>    | Open to God 9.15am   |
| March 5 <sup>th</sup>    | Women's world day of Prayer 1.45pm & 7.30 pm, St Mary's                    |
| March 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 8pm  |
| March 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 9.15am   |
| March 13 <sup>th</sup>   | Men's event - Kick around in the park                                      |
| March 17 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 8pm  |
| March 18 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 9.15am   |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Marriage Lunch   |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Ray Burley – Classical Guitar  |
| March 24 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 8pm  |
| March 25 <sup>th</sup>   | Open to God 9.15am   |
| May 15 <sup>th</sup>     | Men's event - Walking weekend in the Breacons                              |
| Jun 19 <sup>th</sup>     | Men's event -Wild Camping for Kids   |
| June 27 <sup>th</sup>    | Andrew Pritchard's Ordination  |
| July 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | Summer Fete 3pm Madley Park Home   |
| August 1-7               | New Wine   |
| October 17 <sup>th</sup> | Confirmation Service at 6pm  |



Witney Inter-Church Singers will lead a service of Holy Communion at High St Methodist Church at 6pm on Sunday February 28<sup>th</sup>. The music will range from an anthem by Haydn to modern worship songs. Everyone is welcome.



### Sound and Vision Desk' Volunteers Required.

Two or three more people are urgently required to help and operate the sound and / or vision desk during the 11.00 am morning service and some evening services. Training will be given. If you are interested please ask Les Curwood or anyone at the sound/vision desk for details.



Beauty for Ashes – a day for women. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March 10am-4pm, The Manor School, Abingdon. Organised by Christ Church, Abingdon this event offers worship, speakers, prayer ministry and breathing space and is an opportunity to be challenged, encouraged and refreshed by God.

£10 per person including lunch. Call 01235 539172.



Thank you from Nigel and Wendy Williams. The stall they ran after Church recently raised £55 plus tax relief for the Haiti appeal.



### Barn Dance

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30 to 11.30pm at Blake School

All proceeds to go to Cats Protection League. Ticket price including food £10, £18 for 2 tickets, £30 for 4 tickets, £50 for 6 tickets.



### Women's World Day of Prayer

At St Mary's, Cogges. Written by the women of Cameroon on the theme of 'Let everything that has breath, Praise God.' Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 1.45pm or 7.30 pm followed by refreshments. (Men are welcome).

Anglican/Methodist joint day of Prayer & thought. On Saturday 6 March 10am to 1pm at High Street Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome.



### Film worth seeing

Mugabe and the African is showing at Screen at the Square (in the Corn Exchange) on March 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. It is a true story of a Christian family, white farmers in Zimbabwe, who challenged Mugabe over his land reforms by refusing to leave their farm and the many Africans who worked with them, suffering repeated attacks as a result, and eventually challenging Mugabe in the courts.



### Leaders Away Day

The new date for this is Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June at Windmill Conference Centre, Clanfield. If you are a leader you should have had an email from the Office to let you know. If not, please contact Mo in 779613.