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PARISH NEWS

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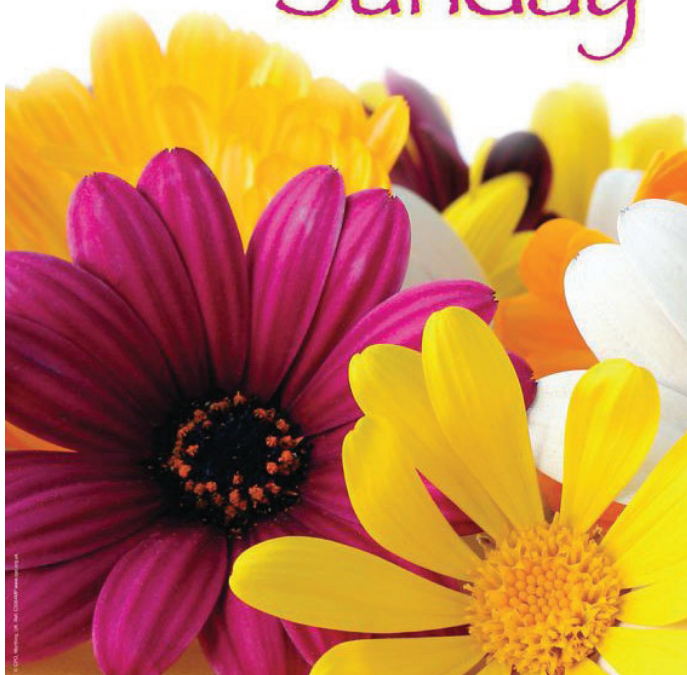
ST MARY'S CHURCH, CHURCH LANE, CUBBINGTON.
CV32 7JT
Priest-in-Charge Reverend Ann Hall

Happy
**Mothering
Sunday**

**St. Mary's
Church**

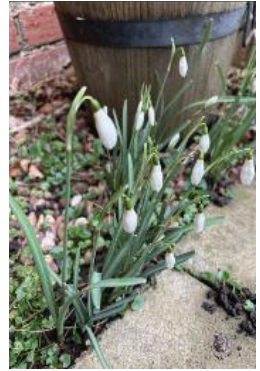
**Mothering
Sunday
Service**

**Sunday
30th March
at
10.00am**



A few words from Revd Ann

Springtime is a season that has always made me think of change and transition, this year my first one in Cubbington is no different, for me it is the season that seems so full of hope and new life, the days are slowly lengthening, and with the lighter nights I feel comes a renewed sense of movement and possibility. Looking out of the vicarage window, the arrival of Spring has been marked by some beautiful snowdrops, flowering by the front door, some of them even appear to have self-seeded into the grass. I love seeing their little white heads after they've pushed through the soil, quickly followed by the cheery heads of the yellow miniature daffodils and then hopefully we will also experience a bit of sunshine, although we still seem to keep having quite a lot of rain!



The different colours starting to appear, leaving behind the dark drab colours of winter, and entering the brighter vivid colours of spring for me personally is important, for the church too colours are also significant. In churches, different colours were introduced at a time when many people who attended church couldn't read and the change in colour enabled them to recognise the different times in the church calendar.



We are just about to enter the season of Lent, a period of forty days, when the colour of all the priest's vestments and altar cloths will change to purple/violet. Purple is the colour associated with patience, humility, and melancholy, it is used for the penitential reflective seasons, Advent and Lent, times of preparation or waiting, reflection and renewal, a time to slow down and make space to listen to God.

Lent begins with the Ash Wednesday Service, a time when we are marked with the sign of the cross with ash, and told 'Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.' I invite you to join us at St Mary's for one of the Ash Wednesday services; you are also always welcome to join us on any of the Sunday services. On Mothering Sunday, Sunday March 30th at 10am, we are holding a special Mothering Sunday All Age Communion service to celebrate with and give thanks for all those who have looked after us.

Finishing with some encouraging words for this time of year from the prophet Hosea, "Let us acknowledge the Lord; let us press on to know him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

My prayer this Lent as we journey towards Easter, is that the church and the wider community of Cubbington, may experience a renewed sense of God's presence with us as we witness the new signs of nature as it awakens up following winter.

Blessings Revd Ann

SERVICES FOR MARCH

DATE MARCH	SERVICES	
SUNDAY 2 nd	10.00am	Common Worship Holy Communion
ASH WEDNESDAY 5 th 	10.00am 7.30pm	BCP - Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion
SUNDAY 9 th	10.00am	Common Worship Holy Communion
SUNDAY 16 th	10.00am	BCP - Holy Communion
SUNDAY 23 rd	8.30am 10.00am	BCP - Holy Communion ALL AGE SERVICE
SUNDAY 30 th 	10.00am	ALL AGE HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Mothering Sunday has evolved over the years; from the time when people would return to their “Mother Church” during Lent to when those in service and apprenticeships went home to their mothers with gifts such as hand-picked flowers. Mothering Sunday is a time for us all to recognize the importance of those who have cared for and mothered us throughout our lives.

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## FROM THE CHURCH RECORDS

| CREMATORIUM                 |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan | Arthur James <b>TAYLOR</b> |

# ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CUBBINGTON

## Little Miracles



Little Miracles is a twice monthly get-together during term time for babies, toddlers and those who care for them.

Held in the Parish Room at the church from 10.30am until 12 noon,  
on **Tuesdays 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March,**

We hope you will come and join us for a mix of play, songs  
and of course, plenty of chat, tea and coffee.

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Cubbington Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers are enjoying the signs of Spring that we are starting to see all around us and to the lighter evenings which means we can begin to spend some of our meeting times outside and explore the outdoors. As part of our promise we think about how we can serve the King and our community and looking after our local environment is an important part of that.



Our Rainbows (4-7 years) meet on Tuesdays after school, Brownies (7-10 years) meet on Monday evenings and Guides (10-14 years) and Rangers (14-18 years) meet on Friday evenings.

We are welcoming new members to our Units all the time so if you would like to find out more visit [girlguiding.org.uk](http://girlguiding.org.uk) or email [2ndcubbingtonstmarys@gmail.com](mailto:2ndcubbingtonstmarys@gmail.com)



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**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Demonstration by Claire Bond**  
**'Spring Gifts'**

Visitors always welcome.

It seems like we have raced through the first half of this term and I'm hopeful that we will start to see actual signs of Spring arriving soon. It has been as busy as ever in school and some classes have been out on adventures outside of school. Recently our Year 4 class went on a trip to Coventry Cathedral to support their learning in history. They had a guided tour around the cathedral and then they took part in a workshop which focused on how Coventry was affected during the Blitz as this was such a significant local historic event. We also had some children take part in an indoor athletics competition as part of the School Games competition and we won! Our Wellbeing Ambassadors have collaborated with children from other schools to plan further events such as a rowing competition, cross country running, tag rugby and cricket. Our Year 1 class is getting ready to visit St John's museum in Warwick after half term to spend time in their Victorian school room. These trips, visits and events are such an important part of the children's learning and development as they provide children with hands-on, experiential learning opportunities that cannot always be replicated in the classroom. They enable children to see, touch, smell, hear, and sometimes taste new things, which enhances their understanding of various subjects and concepts and makes learning more meaningful.

At Cubbington C E Primary we work hard to plan a wide range of these experiences for our children and we think very carefully about each child's journey through the school to ensure that they all foster a lifelong love for learning.

We are also working on a project to develop playtimes for our children. We have been busy researching different approaches to playtimes at school and ways in which we can improve what we offer. Research has shown that during their seven years at primary school, children spend a significant 1.4 years at play. It's during these moments that they learn invaluable life skills that cannot be taught in a traditional classroom setting.

Our plan is to provide an environment whereby children are given the opportunity to "free play", using resources such as tyres, pallets, tarpaulins and other small loose parts. By playing this way we believe that children will:

- Be encouraged to use their imagination, problem solving and innovation;
- Be more active and engaged in their play;
- Learn how to work collaboratively and how to manage disputes;
- Be happier, experience less anxiety and an overall benefit to their mental health.
- Learn to identify and manage risks.

Our first step is to get every child to have a pair of wellies in school so that they can make better use of the field areas - it is going to be so much fun!



**Juliet Jones**  
Head teacher

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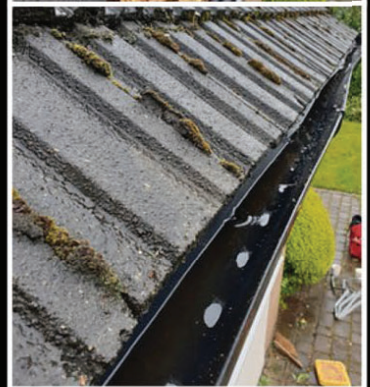
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