



St Margaret's Church

The parish of Oxford Ss Philip & James with St Margaret

Sunday, 6th April 2025

Passion Sunday

Welcome to St Margaret's, especially if you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time.

Notices

As work on the church continues, please take extra care and respect the cordoned off areas

Midweek Eucharists have restarted: every Weds at 12.30pm in St Giles'.

Sammy's at Easter fun musical learning and crafts for children 10:30am Sat 12 Apr at St Margaret's

Benefice youth pilgrimage 4-8 August in Pembrokeshire – contact Eva, Lucy or Claire for more information.

SMI Tea & Talks – talk from Head Gardener at Trinity Kate Burtonwood Wed 9 Apr 1.30

Jazz at St Giles': OUJO & Friends Sat 26 Apr 7:30pm at St Giles' Church

Daily Prayer (at St Giles'):
- Evening Prayer Mon – Sat at 5.30pm

Services on Sunday 13 April

8:00am – **Holy Communion** at St Giles'

10:30am – **Palm Sunday** at St Margaret's

Processing from St Giles' at 10:00am

6:30pm – **Choral Evensong** at St Giles'

More at: www.StGilesStMargarets.org

10:30am

Parish Eucharist

(Common Worship, sung)

President and Preacher:

Phillip Nixon

Introit

Lent Prose, vv.4 & 5

Hymn 79 (128 ii)

The royal banners forward go

Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of
your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on
the cross
we may triumph in the power of his
victory;
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.

Isaiah 43.16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like
a wick:

¹⁸ Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.

¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

²⁰ The wild animals will honour me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹ the people whom I formed
for myself

so that they might declare my praise.

Psalm 126 (*see overleaf*)

Philippians 3.4b-14

⁴If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Anthem

O saviour of the world

Sir Arthur Somervell (1863-1937)

O Saviour of the World,
who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us.

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech
Thee, O Lord.

Amen

John 12.1-8

¹² Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that

she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

Hymn 439 (i) (omit *)

Praise to the holiest in the height

Communion Anthem

Civitas Sancti tui

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

*Civitas sancti tui facta est deserta,
Sion deserta facta est.
Ierusalem desolata est*

*The holy city is now like a wilderness.
Sion a desert place is made.
Jerusalem desolate doth lie.*

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our
brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of
others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Hymn 94

We sing the praise of him who died

*Please do stay behind for refreshments
after the 10:30 service, served at the
back of church*

**6:30pm
Choral Evensong
At St Giles'**

(Book of Common Prayer, sung)

*Please join us for the evening service at
St Giles'.*

Prayer Requests

Sick: Julia, Caroline, Christina, Edward,
Ian, Rosemary

Year's Mind:

6th – Basil "Tich" Lewis (2007)

6th – Peggy Briant (2015)

8th – Catherine Jenner (1999)

8th – Phyllis Coleman (2000)

10th – Anne Marie Legge (2005)

Psalm 126

J Turle



- 1 When the Lord restored the / fortunes of / Zion :
then / were we like / those who / dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth / filled with / laughter :
and our / tongue with / songs of / joy.
- 3 Then said they a- / mong the / nations :
“The / Lord . has done / great things for / them.”
- 4 The Lord has indeed done / great things for / us :
and / therefore / we re- / joiced.
- 5 Restore again our / fortunes O / Lord :
as the / river beds / of the / desert.
- 6 Those who / sow in / tears // shall / reap with / songs of / joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping / bearing the / seed :
will come back with shouts of joy *
/ bearing their / sheaves / with them.

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