

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Thus says the LORD,  
    who makes a way in the sea,  
    a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
    army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
    they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
    or consider the things of old.  
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.  
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,  
    the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

**Reader: This is the word of the Lord**

**All: Thanks be to God**

## THE GOSPEL READING

John 12: 1-8

**All: Glory to Christ our Saviour**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary 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. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (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.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

**Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ**

**All: Praise to Christ our Lord**

## INTERCESSION

***Please continue to pray for all who are sick and in our hearts especially:***

Jackie Morley, Logan Matthews, Sheila Gilbert, Louise Osborne, Peggy O'Neill, Dawn Tavener, Shirley Foster, Sue Vaness, Iris White, Chris McGrath, Gregory Thomas, Valerie Pratt, Cathy Cox, Alan Gaywood, Susan Gaywood, Betty Hunt

***Please pray for these church members at home:*** Gwen Wells, Joyce Dyson, Joan Hopkins, Chloe Attwell, Eileen Pidgeon

***We remember before God those who have died:***

Erica Swallow, Mary Johnson, Tony Foster, Gwen Lewis, Gwen Harris, Eileen Abrahams, Mabel Darbin, Joan Jackson, Wendy Butler, Peggy James, Mary Neasham, Cynthia Ward, Pamela Tillett, Doreen Crouch, Roy McArdy, Jim Bowness, Mark West.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Lent 5	13 <sup>th</sup> March	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	BCP Communion Parish Communion Parish Centre Service Youth Club Movie Night
Tuesday	15 <sup>th</sup> March	10.15am	Buggy Group
Wednesday	16 <sup>th</sup> March	10.15am	Parish Centre Communion
Thursday	17 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am 8.00pm	Coffee morning –Parish Centre APCM – Parish Centre
Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am	Lent Group – Parish Centre
Sunday Palm Sunday Bishop Richard	20 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	Parish Communion Parish Centre Service and Sunday School Youth Club Night Egg Making

## NOTICES

**Church Coffee** during January, February and March 2016 will support the local Happy days out Childrens charity providing respite breaks, residential trips, days out, and theatre trips for some of the most vulnerable children

**Marie Currie Daffodil's** will be on sale in the cross aisle during March

**Easter Flowers 27 March** – If you could do an arrangement to decorate the church for Easter please sign up on the list in the cross aisle.  
If you would like to buy an Easter Lilly sign up in the book and pay please.  
Thank you Brenda

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Welcome to St Margaret's Church, Streatley

**Lent 5**  
**Leader Teresa Dales**

**13<sup>th</sup> March 2016**  
**Preacher Steve Wood**

We extend a very warm welcome to all visitors and those new to the Church. Please make yourselves known to the vicar Steve Wood, reader Teresa Dales or our Churchwardens John Weedon and John Farrent. After the service we serve coffee and we invite you to join us. We welcome all ages and for the very young there is also a children's area.

 There is a loop system and large print hymn books are available from the sidesmen.

You are all invited to come to the altar at the time of the Communion. Members of other churches who would receive at their own church are welcome to take the bread and wine with us. If you do not receive communion, please come up to receive a blessing keeping your hands down. If you would like communion brought to you please tell one of the sidesmen.

**Hymns Old and New 551 – 310 – 128 – 522 – 164**

## 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. Amen