

WEBSITE YOUTUBE FACEBOOK INSTAGRAM

Friday 16th February 2024

NOTICESHEET

THIS SUNDAY:

ST MARK'S

SPEAKER: MALC ALLEN HOLY COMMUNION

10.30AM

ST BARNABAS & ONLINE

SPEAKER: DAVE SHAILER

10.40AM

ST AIDAN & ST SILAS

FELLOWSHIP

COMMUNITIES AND PLACES BUZZING
WITH THE EXTRAORDINARY PRESENCE OF JESUS



PRACTICING GENEROSITY

This series of Sunday talks for Lent is inspired by the zeal of the early Christian church as described in the book of Acts, looking at...

THE GENEROSITY OF JESUS

in spite of pain & suffering

THE GENEROSITY OF THE EARLY CHURCH

in spite of persecution

OUR OWN GENEROUS RESPONSE

in spite of ourselves

The first disciples were shaped by their profound encounters with Jesus. Those who had known Jesus face to face, and seen him crucified, resurrected and return to his Father's side in heaven.

Now, inspired by the Holy Spirit, their love for God meant they not only endured floggings, arrest, death threats and worse, but actively rejoiced because their suffering was a direct result of their devotion (Acts 5:41). So maybe our prayer this Lent is that we hear God's call to practical, sacrificial, even risky generosity in the name of Jesus.

PIONEER PRAYER GATHERINGS

So you can plan ahead, make a note of the Pioneer Prayer evenings for this term!
7.30pm til 8.30pm at All Saints Academy Chapel:

- Thurs 22nd February
- Thurs 21st March
- Thurs 18th April

Contact Janice for more information on janice.hamiltonewestchelt.org.uk

PRAYER MINISTRY AT ST MARK'S

We would love to re-start the after-service prayer ministry at St Mark's each Sunday morning.

If you are passionate about prayer, and would be willing to serve on some Sunday's for a time after the service, please have a conversation with Rod.

Either grab him after a service, or contact him on rod.paterson@westchelt.org.uk or 07853632675

CAP DEBT CENTRE MANAGER JOB

CAP (Christians Against Poverty) are recruiting for a CAP Debt Centre manager for their Gloucester Debt Centre.

This is a part-time role (16 hours) working with a dedicated team to support clients towards a debt free future.

Email <u>hello@gloucestervineyard.org</u> for more info

or **CLICK HERE** for the Job Description

Deadline for applications 1st March 2024.

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MAUNDY THURSDAY

28th March - 7.30pm Communion St Barnabas

GOOD FRIDAY

29th March – 2pm Community Passion Play Starting at Hester's Way Park

EASTER SUNDAY

31st March
Usual 10.30am celebrations
across West Cheltenham

then 2pm Celebration on St Aidan's Land



GOFUNDME: FUNDRAISER!

So far we have a cast of around 40, multiple schools, churches and organisations involved as well as tech support, stewarding and more!

The whole budget for the play covers staging, PA equipment, publicity, props and costumes, assorted licences from the council, health and safety measures and even hiring a donkey!

If you can afford to give anything towards the play - sharing the real Easter story in West Cheltenham this March, please contribute via **THIS LINK.**

WE NEED STEWARDS!

The route is planned, rehearsals are well under way, the props and costumes are being made.

To deliver this amazing witness though, we need 30-40 stewards around the route to point people in the right direction and ensure everyone is kept safe.

If you don't fancy acting, but would love to be involved, this is the perfect way to do so! You will only be needed for the dress rehearsal on the 24th March, and on the 29th for the play.

JOIN THE CROWD

Didn't want a main part? Then join the crowd! There are a number of crowd scenes throughout the play, with everyone welcome – young or old!

Workshops for the crowd actors will be on 9th & 16th March. Contact Janice for info!

Wolfram Spring Program for Secondary Students

8-12th April
A STEM opportunity for students in Year 9-13!

What is the Wolfram Spring Program?

An interactive, workshop-based program focused on programming, computational thinking and innovative technology held at Dean Close School, Cheltenham.



What would I learn?

You'll be introduced to programming in Wolfram Language and computational thinking through workshops, mini-projects, and interactive group work.

Who should apply?

Students should have an interest in STEM, but computer science and coding skills are not required!



Check out the website and apply now at wolfr.am/WSPApply

Contact Rory, Program Director at roryf@wolfram.com



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PASTORAL CARE

contacts

Each congregation has a primary contact to provide pastoral support as needed.

St. Aidan & St. Silas - Pippa O'Connell

St. Barnabas - Pauline Carter

St. Mark's Weds 10am - Peter Sibley

St. Mark's Sunday 10.30am - Mike & Kristina

If you are aware of someone who needs additional help, please contact

Rod Paterson - 07853 632675 (day off Thursday)

Janice Hamilton - 07749130323 (day off Thursday or Friday)

Josh Denley (Office) - 07990 264554 (days off Saturday & Sunday)

Josh Vallance (Youth Worker) - 07512 070464 (days off Friday & Saturday)

Parish Safeguarding Officer - 01242 655650 - safeguarding@westchelt.org.uk