

## Notices

### WHAT IS HAPPENING IN LENT?

#### COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Putting our faith into action through daily reflections and challenges

Pick up a leaflet from one of the churches or download a copy from [Christian Aid](#)

#### LENT GROUPS HAVE STARTED but you can still go along!

organised by Alcester Churches Together (ACT)

**Tuesday 12 March (for 5 Tuesdays) – 2.00 – 3.30pm**

Alcester Methodist Church (beginning with refreshments)

**Wednesday 13 March (for 5 Wednesdays) – 7.30 – 9.00pm**

Alcester Baptist Church (beginning with refreshments)

#### Entitled 'Everyone Welcome'

A complete course to transform our churches by improving our approach to newcomers. A course book will be available at a suggested donation of £4.

### ELECTORAL ROLL RENEWAL/APCM DATES

Applications for all our parishes have closed. Only those on the Electoral Roll are able to attend and vote at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). For those on the new Electoral Roll please check out the date of your APCM below and do send your apologies to the PCC Secretary if for any reason you are unable to attend.

Haselor – Was held on Wednesday 20 March

Coughton with Sambourne - Monday 1 April at 7.00pm, Sambourne Church

Kinwarton with Great Alne - Tuesday 2 April at 7.30pm, Gt Alne Church

Arrow with Weethley - Sunday 7 April at 10.30am, Arrow Church

Alcester APCM - Wednesday 10 April at 7.30pm, Church House

(Anyone who wanted to join an Electoral Roll and missed the deadline please complete an application form AFTER the APCM and pass to your Electoral Roll Officer)

### ST NICHOLAS CHURCH BOOKSTALL AGM

**THIS WEDNESDAY 27 March - 2pm**  
Church House

Everyone welcome and anyone interested in joining the group of volunteers please contact Carol on 766141

**FUNDRAISING LUNCH**  
**12.00pm & 1.15pm sittings**  
**THIS THURSDAY 28 March**  
Church House

Booking essential  
01789 763509  
In aid of St Basil's Charity for Homelessness

### BREXIT THIS FRIDAY 29 March

Need some space to think & pray – why not spend some time in the evening at church and pray as an individual for our country?

**THE WORLD'S BIGGEST  
SWITCH OFF EVENT**  
**THIS SATURDAY 30 March**  
**8.30pm – 9.30pm**

This Earth Hour, join millions around the world to turn off the lights to show we care about the future of our planet



# Welcome to the Alcester Minster Group of Churches Sunday 24 March 2019

**Lent 3 Purple**

*"Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you." Psalm 63 v 3*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to  
joy but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he  
was crucified;  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the  
way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of  
life and peace;  
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.

### Alternative Collect

Eternal God,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection  
we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## Next week's services and events

### Sunday 24 March

Alcester  
Kinwarton 6.00 pm

### Lent 3

NO Baptism  
Minster Praise

*Purple*

### Monday 25 March

### Tuesday 26 March

Alcester 2.00 pm

Methodist  
Church

Alcester 7.00 pm

Alcester 7.30 pm

### Wednesday 27 March

Alcester 10.00 am

Sambourne 1.30 pm

Church House 2.00 pm

Alcester Baptist Church 7.30 pm

### Thursday 28 March

Coughton 9.15 am

Church House 12.00 pm & 1.15 pm

Home of Tricia Berry 2.30 pm

Alcester 7.30 pm

### Friday 29 March

Alcester 10.00 am

Coughton School 3.20 pm

Jubilee Fields 7.00 pm

All churches Evening

### Saturday 30 March

BEWARE AS THE CLOCKS CHANGE THIS WEEKEND!

### Sunday 31 March

Haselor 10.00 am

Alcester 10.00 am

### Mothering Sunday

Family Service

Minster Celebration

*Purple*

## Readings for the week

### Today

Psalm 63 v 1-9  
Luke 13 v 1-9

### Monday

Romans 5 v 12-end

### Tuesday

John 7 v 53 – 8 v 11

### Wednesday

John 8 v 12-30

### Thursday

John 8 v 31-47

### Friday

John 8 v 48-end

### Saturday

John 9 v 1-17



### Prayer

The Ministry Leadership Team would like you to pray for the following topics:

1. Pray that as individuals, as churches and as a nation we may give generously, compassionately and wisely to those in need.
2. As the spring brings new life around us, please pray for all new parents, that in their joy and potential struggles they will welcome Jesus into their lives as a family.

**The Minster has Home Groups which meet most days of the week. If you are interested in joining one, please contact the Rector.**

*Please ensure all mobile phones are switched OFF during the service. Visitors are invited to Gift Aid their offerings in the envelopes provided.*

**Please take this sheet home with you**

Contact Juliette Guthrie (07840 284 294 or administrator@alcesterminster.org) by 6 pm on Tuesday to add notices of church activities to next week's notice sheet.

*Do you subscribe to the **MINSTER MATTERS** magazine and if not would you like to in 2019? Paper/Email copies available – Enquiries to the administrator*



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*Check out the website calendar for further details on events/services coming up*