



**Fifth Sunday of Lent
29th March 2020**



Suspension of Worship at All Hallows Gedling and Holy Trinity Lambley

**THE CHURCH CONTINUES TO BE ALIVE AND ACTIVE,
BUT OUR BUILDINGS MUST CLOSE**

We are seeing a huge increase in the number of people falling sick with COVID-19. We must distance ourselves from one another and prevent the spread of infection in order to save lives.

Therefore, as well as public worship being suspended, this and all church buildings in the Church of England are now closed.

THIS WILL MEAN FOR OUR CHURCHES OF ALL HALLOWS GEDLING AND HOLY TRINITY LAMBLEY THAT THERE WILL BE NO SERVICES FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

We are at present looking at ways in which we can put a service online for our congregation to join in with and hope to announce more about this later.

I would ask for us as a congregation to support those who are isolating at the moment, and if we can check with our friends to see if there is anything they need.

Please email any prayer request either to me on michael.johnsons@hotmail.com or to allhallows.gedling@btconnect.com

A prayer for all of us, at this time:

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God bless,
Rev Mic Johnson
Rector of Gedling and Priest in Charge of Lambley

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	<i>Ezekiel 37: 1-14</i> <i>Psalms 130</i> <i>Romans 8: 6-11</i> <i>John 11: 1-45</i>
Monday	<i>Susannah 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62</i> <i>(or 41b-62)</i> <i>or Joshua 2: 1-14</i> <i>Psalms 23</i> <i>John 8: 1-11</i>
Tuesday	<i>Numbers 21: 4-9</i> <i>Psalms 102: 1-3, 16-23</i> <i>John 8: 21-30</i>
Wednesday	<i>Daniel 3: 14-20, 24-25, 28</i> <i>Canticle: Bless the Lord</i> <i>John 8: 31-42</i>
Thursday	<i>Genesis 17: 3-9</i> <i>Psalms 105: 4-9</i> <i>John 8: 51-59</i>
Friday	<i>Jeremiah 20: 10-13</i> <i>Psalms 18: 1-6</i> <i>John 10: 31-42</i>
Saturday	<i>Ezekiel 37: 21-28</i> <i>Canticle: Jeremiah 31: 10-13</i> <i>or Psalms 121</i> <i>John 11: 45-57</i>



Collect for Today

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.**

Intercessions

Dear God in these difficult times give us strength to come to terms with our new way of life as we spend several weeks cut off from our friends and Church family and we give thanks for those who have shown concern, caring love, support and practical help. There are often scenes of desperate chaos as our health workers try to deal with the rising number of infected patients and may they be helped by the return of retired doctors, nurses and an every growing band of willing volunteers who will help to relieve some of the work pressures.

We pray that all those in the emergency services, food retail and essential work remain safe and are able to do their best to help.

Our politicians have difficult decisions to make and when they take action based on the best medical advice, we must do all we can to follow instructions. Although keeping to ourselves, let us remember to pray for our congregation and for those who are at risk and reflect that at times of crisis there will always be someone to offer a helping hand and even a friendly chat to lift our spirits.

We pray for those who are unwell in body, mind or spirit and we give special thoughts for those listed on our pew leaflet who may have to wait for treatment as a result of the present medical emergency. There will be many who have lost loved ones unexpectedly this last week and we give thanks for the life of Ray Robinson-Unwin and we pray that Lorraine and family are surrounded by God's love at this time of great loss.

During the uncertain times ahead may we know of God's loving care for us all and that we can join in a virtual service from our own homes as we embrace our new lifestyle and pray for a safe deliverance.

Merciful Father accept our prayers for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Parish Prayer Diary Please use this Prayer Diary as a part of your daily prayer

Please pray for:

The Warden & Residents of Bramble Court Sheltered Flats

The Sick: Stephen Dodds, Sue Brown, Clare Bower, Phil, Jane Johnson,
Chris & Gary Walton, Sarah Davies, Gladys Aspland, Mike & Sheila Richards,
Kate Sinclair, Revd Keith Griffin

The Departed: Josephine Armatrading, Ray Robinson-Unwin

Please pray that: We have courage in the journey ahead

	Thought for Today	In our Diocese	In our Parish
Sunday Passion Sunday	The Lord raises those who are bowed down. <i>Psalms 146:8</i>	The Nottingham Arimathea Trust (Carolyn Gilmore & Trustees)	Cinderhill Grove Cantley Avenue
Monday	Know that the Lord, He is God. <i>Psalms 100:3</i>	St Mary Greasley (Vacancy)	Roslyn Avenue Adel Drive
Tuesday	He heals the broken-hearted. <i>Psalms 147:3</i>	St Mary Magdalene with St John the Evangelist Hucknall (Vacancy)	St Michael's Avenue St Mary's Avenue
Wednesday 1st April	Ponder the path of your feet. <i>Proverbs 4:26</i>	St Peter & St Paul West Hucknall	Radford Crescent Imperial Avenue
Thursday	The Lord is... great in power. <i>Nahum 1:3</i>	SECTOR MINISTRIES Rampton Hospital Retford	Pierrepont Avenue Adbolton Avenue Baron's Close
Friday	In all your ways acknowledge Him. <i>Proverbs 3:6</i>	All Saints Huthwaite	Newcastle Avenue Phoenix Avenue Queen's Avenue
Saturday	I the Lord, will hear them. <i>Isaiah 41:17</i>	St Wilfrid Kirkby-in-Ashfield (Vacancy)	Mountbatten Grove Princess Close Margaret Crescent

THE GEDLING MAGAZINE

The April edition of the magazine can be accessed via our website.
Unfortunately, due to the current restrictions, hard copies will not be available.

**All APCM's are cancelled until at least the autumn.
New Canon law is being put in place to allow this.**

A message from Mic regarding giving envelopes:

If you are concerned that you haven't been able to present your giving envelopes at the moment, feel free to use the wall safe at the bottom of the church steps. We can collect and bless them from there. Thank you and stay safe. God bless.



REFURBISHMENT WORKS IN CHURCH

Our contractors Arc Group have withdrawn their labour from the project until further notice.

A note from your Parish Administrator...

I will be working from home for the time being – I have access to the church emails, so please continue to send messages there. The Pew Leaflet will be sent out as usual on a Thursday via email and can also be viewed on the church website. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the pew leaflet electronically, who has access to email but isn't on the list, please contact me and I will add them on. Lorna

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OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR REGULAR UPDATES ON THE
CURRENT SITUATION.**

Items for the next Pew Leaflet should reach the office by 10.00 am on Thursday

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