



m2O Rugby

St Matthew & St Oswald's Church
and Overslade Church

Our vision is to be truly Jesus' disciples.
Growing deeper in **Worship**. Growing closer in **Community**.
Growing further in **Mission**.

Sunday 1 April – Easter Day



10.30am

United Easter All Age with Holy Communion

St Matthew & St Oswald's

Title: New Life, New Hope

Reading: Luke 24:1-35

{page: 1061 in pew bibles}

Speaker: Emma Higgins

*There will be no other services
across m2o today*

Sunday 8 April – Easter 2

10.30am **Morning Worship** – Overslade Church

Title: New Life: Life and Light

Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Speaker: Mervyn Hill

10.30am **Holy Communion** – St Matthew & St Oswald's

Title: New Life: Life and Light

Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2 {page: 1225 in pew bibles}

Speaker: Charles Higgins

4.30pm **Evening Prayer** – St Matthew & St Oswald's

Title: New Life: Life and Light

Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2 {page: 1225 in pew bibles}

Speaker: Emma Higgins

WORSHIP

Visiting for the first time today? We are delighted to have you join us. Please make yourself known to a member of the Welcome Team (who will be wearing a badge). They will be able to answer any questions you might have.

There will not be a 10am Holy Communion service on Tuesday 3rd April. This service will resume on Tuesday 10th April.

Thursday Morning Prayer Meeting will not take place on 5th April then restarts on 12th April. It is at 7.15am for half an hour at m2o Church Centre. Everybody welcome whether you come regularly or just on the odd occasion.

New sermon series - New Life. During the Easter season we shall be focussing on the new resurrection life Jesus invites us to share. Over the next few weeks we'll be exploring what that life looks like as we read 1 John together - a book of the New Testament we don't look at that often.



Confirmation. Thank you to everyone who has expressed an interest in being confirmed. There will be four preparations sessions using the Pilgrim Course on Wednesdays 11th and 25th April and 9th and 16th May, before the confirmation service at Pentecost (20th May). Please speak to Emma or Charles for more information.

A Prayer during our time of vacancy.

Heavenly Father, we pray to you during this time of vacancy in our parish. We ask that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others and welcome newcomers. Lord Jesus, guard and grow this church as we serve you together in this period without a vicar. Please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. **Amen.**

m2o Church Electoral Roll. Revision of the Roll closes **Sunday 1st April** until after the Annual Parochial Church meeting.

m2o APCM

Monday 23rd April 2018

7.30pm at St Matthew & St Oswald's.

The APCM is our annual church meeting - an important time for reviewing the past year and looking ahead to the future. It is also where we elect people to leadership roles in the life of the church.

If you have a heart for our church and its future and are keen to serve please do think about these roles:

* 5 places on the PCC: the PCC is the church's council and shares in the leadership of the church;
* 1 Deanery Synod Rep: Deanery Synod is the body that consults and sets the strategic direction for the Church of England in this local area. Deanery Synod members are also members of the PCC.

* 2 churchwardens and 2 deputy wardens are elected annually: wardens work with the vicars on leadership, strategy and practical church matters. We especially need another deputy warden post filled.

Do speak to one of the current churchwardens if you'd like to find out more about these roles. Nomination forms and full details are available at both worship centres.

Please do pray for the APCM and for those standing, being open to God's calling, and do not nominate anyone without first getting their permission!

* Please note: all nominees, proposers and seconders must be on the Electoral Roll of m2o. All members will be commissioned in their usual Sunday service on 29th April.

* **Copies of the minutes** of last year's APCM and the revised Electoral roll will be available at both Worship Centres from 8th April.

Please check your details on the Electoral roll and notify Guy Mowbray of any errors. Email Guy@m2o.org.uk.

m2o Prayer Chain. For urgent prayer requests email prayerchain@m2o.org.uk If you would like to join the group of people who receive the prayer requests and pray for people contact theoffice@m2o.org.uk

Matthew & St Oswald's, and at Overslade, during Fairtrade fortnight. The total raised was £124.25. Traidcraft are the original Fairtrade pioneers and stand for changing people's lives through trade. **A Traidcraft order is placed each month by Angela Hill. If you would like to support Traidcraft in this way, please contact her via tel: 811568 email: angehil@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY

Congratulations to Dave and Marion MacLellan who have their 30th Wedding Anniversary on Monday 9th April. With love and very best wishes from all their church family at m2o.



The funeral service for Barbara Dando will be on Tuesday 24th April at 3.00pm in St Matthew & St Oswald's Church.

MISSION

Mission partners of the month are our Schools, St Oswald's, St Matthew's Bloxam and Harris. Please pray that the Easter break will be a time of refreshment for staff and pupils.

The latest Make Lunch update is now available and can be found on the noticeboard in the Side Chapel. Do take a look!

Fairtrade Fortnight. Thank you to all who supported the Traidcraft stalls recently at St

**** Toybox Open House.** On Tuesday 10th April. Terry and Yvonne Seamer warmly invite you to join them at 4 Boswell Road between 10am-5pm. Come along and enjoy a tea/coffee with cake and take a look at the 'bring & buy' cake stall. All proceeds to Toybox, a charity supporting street children living in Delhi, Nairobi and Latin America..

Hope 4 'Sleep Out' Fund Raising Event. Unfortunately, due to a variety of reasons, the sponsored 'Sleep Out' that was due to take place on Friday 16th March has had to be rescheduled and is now taking place on **FRIDAY 20 APRIL**. Thanks to those who have already supported this and should anyone else wish to do so, please see Lilian. You can also sponsor via justgiving.com/fundraising/Angie-MarshHope4.

Christian Aid Week: 13th – 19th May. Gail Long is looking for someone to oversee things/be a contact person in the Week. There probably won't be a lot to do. (She will not be in Rugby for most of the Week, but will organise the collecting beforehand.) She would also appreciate someone to help count the money afterwards. Please speak to Gail: tel: 576541 or email gail@m2o.org.uk

SUNDAY TAKEAWAY

Thoughts you might like to consider:

- What is God saying through this Bible passage?
- How does it apply to your life?
- What do you need to do about it?



~ W H A T ' S O N ~

School Holidays



He is not here; for He is risen, as He said.
Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
Matthew 28:6

- Mon 2** *Bank Holiday*
m2o Church Office closed
- Tues 3** 10.00am *m2o Church Office re-opens*
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- Mon 9** 2.00pm *Mothers' Union visiting St Martin's Church, Finham*
- Tues 10** 10.00am **Holy Communion - St Matthew & St Oswald's Church**
10.45am *Pitstop coffee and chat - St Matthew & St Oswald's Ch Hall*
- Thu 12** 7.15am *Early Morning Prayer Group - m2o Church Centre*
2.00pm *Thursday Fellowship with guest speaker: Hilary Iredale*
Howard Room
- Sun 15** 10.30am **Holy Communion - Overslade Church**
10.30am **Morning Worship - St Matthew & St Oswald's Church**
Children's groups - m2o Church Centre
4.30pm **Holy Communion - St Matthew & St Oswald's Church**
- Mon 16** 7.30pm *Connect Group Leaders Meeting - m2o Church Centre*
- Tues 17** 10.00am **Holy Communion - St Matthew & St Oswald's Church**
10.45am *Pitstop coffee and chat - St Matthew & St Oswald's Ch Hall*
- Wed 18** 9.15am *Coffeebreak - St Matthew & St Oswald's Church Hall*
7.00pm *Youth Group - m2o Church Centre*
- Thu 19** 7.15am *Early Morning Prayer Group - m2o Church Centre*
2.00pm *Thursday Fellowship with guest speaker: Richard Farnell*
Howard Room
5.30pm *Kid's Club - Overslade Community Centre, Buchanan Road*

Date for your diary ~ ~ ~

- Mon 23** 7.30pm *APCM with Meeting of Parishioners*
St Matthew & St Oswald's Church

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