

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

We are pleased to let you know that someone has been appointed vicar for our benefice and we are just waiting for the completion of recruitment checks before their name can be released.

It's time to update the **church Electoral roll** please see Jo if you would like to be included and have attended services reasonably regularly in the last 6 months .

**Poor Clares Taize Evening service** is the last Friday of the month 7pm at the Convent which is opposite the Premier Inn at Crossbush, Lyminster. Car Parking is adequate. The Sisters have recorded a second disc with Decca which should be on sale fairly soon.

Tony Couch would welcome a visit from members of the congregation. Email Viv and I will forward his email address.

Gerry is still collecting used postage stamps.

## PRAYER LIST

Sue, Sandy Raywood, Tina Ward, Brian McAvilley, Tony Couch, Sarah's family, Richard and his Father. *Please email names for prayer list to Jonathan Black at the Wick Information Centre.*



# 31 March 2024

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster and to our church building which has been a place of worship for nearly 1,000 years. If you are visiting, or this is your first time here, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers.

We hope that you feel welcome and able to share in the good news of Jesus our risen Lord and Saviour. Please contact Church warden or welcomers if you'd like to, and please stay to get to know us better after the service. We are currently in a vacancy as we pray for a new vicar to join us. We warmly welcome Bill this week who will lead the service.

### ALL ENQUIRIES

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### HYMN NUMBERS

147 Jesus Christ is risen today

6 All Heaven declares (Red book)

166 Crown him with many crowns

160 Thine be the glory

### COLLECT for Easter Day

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

## **BIBLE READINGS**

### **Psalm 118:1-2 & 14-24**

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever. 2 Let Israel say: 'His love endures for ever.'

14 The Lord is my strength and my defence; he has become my salvation. 15 Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: 'The Lord's right hand has done mighty things! 16 The Lord's right hand is lifted high; the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!' 17 I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. 18 The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. 19 Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. 20 This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. 21 I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. 22 The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; 23 the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes. 24 The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

### **1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

1 Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. 2 By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. 3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. 6 After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. 9 For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. 11 Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

### **John 20:1-18**

1 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. 2 So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!' 3 So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. 4 Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, 7 as well as the cloth that had been wrapped round Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. 8 Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. 9 (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) 10 Then the disciples went back to where they were staying. 11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb 12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. 13 They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?' 'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' 14 At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus. 15 He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?' Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.' 16 Jesus said to her, 'Mary.' She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher'). 17 Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' 18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.