

ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TAYPORT

‡ **NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2011** ‡

Reader **Readings**

Sun 3 Apr Paul McGhee	1 Samuel 1: 20-28; Colossians 3: 12-17; <i>(John 19: 25b-27)</i>
Sun 10 Apr Margaret Gray	Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Romans 8: 6-11; <i>(John 11: 1-45)</i>
Sun 17 Apr Liz Johnson	Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Philippians 2: 5-11; <i>(Reading of the Passion)</i>
Sun 24 Apr Alan Waddell	Acts 10: 34-43; Colossians 3: 1-4; <i>(Matthew 28: 1-10)</i>
Sun 1 May Paul McGhee	Acts 2: 14a, 22-32; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; <i>(Matthew 28: 1-10)</i>

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Another Prayer for Lent

God for all seasons, in your pattern of things, there is a time for keeping and a time for losing, a time for building up and a time for pulling down.

In this holy season of Lent, as we journey with our Lord to the cross, help us to discern in our lives what we must lay down and what we must take up; what we must end and what we must begin.

Give us grace to lead a disciplined life, in glad obedience and with the joy which comes from a closer walk with Christ.

Book of Common Order



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Dear Friends,

By the time you read this we will all have 'sprung forward' into British Summer time! This is the time each year when we look forward to the lengthening days and the warmer weather. We may even have a spring in our step as we cast off the heavy cloak of winter and put on the lighter garments of spring and summer.

Our life's journey, our pilgrimage of faith, also propels us ever onward as we try to follow the way of Jesus, as we try to absorb Jesus' wisdom by becoming his travelling companions on the way. For each one of us it is a journey that involves crossing the boundaries of our personal comfort zones, again and again, so we may not always walk with a spring in our step! Each year during this holy season of Lent, we walk alongside Jesus on his journey to the cross. Each year it is a different journey, we are different; our experiences of life and of God have changed us over the past twelve months but the components of our Lenten journey – scripture, prayer and discipline, each of which have been tried and tested by years of tradition, are the 'engines' that drive this holy season and which brings the weary spiritual traveller to the joys of Easter.

May your continuing journey through this holy season be spiritually nourishing.

With love and prayers, Christine

Mary Baxter 1919 – 2011

On Saturday 19th March, just one week after celebrating her 92nd birthday Mary died peacefully in Craighead Nursing Home in Newport. Family and friends will gather in St Margaret's church for her funeral to celebrate and give thanks for her life on Wednesday 30th March at 1pm. In addition to caring for her husband Reg and son Mike, Mary for many years was very involved in the life and work of St Margaret's. She served on the Vestry as Lay Rep and was very committed to the Guild. Mary also gave generously of her time and talents to the wider community of Tayport. Our thoughts and prayers are with Reg and Mike who mourn the passing of much loved wife and devoted mother.

April Services Diary

Sun	3 Apr	10.30am	Mothering Sunday - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed	6 Apr	12 noon	Midday prayer with Lent Meditation
Sun	10 Apr	10.30am	5th Sunday of Lent - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall - Bishop David
Wed	13 Apr	12 noon	Midday prayer with Lent Meditation
Sun	17 Apr	10.30am	Palm Sunday - Distribution of Palms and Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed	20 Apr	12 noon	Midday prayer with Lent Meditation
Thurs	21 Apr	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday Eucharist and stripping of the altar followed by Watch until 12 midnight
Fri	22 Apr	2.00pm	Good Friday - Stations of the Cross
Sun	24 Apr	10.30am	Easter Day - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed	27 Apr	12 noon	Midday prayer
Sun	1 May	10.30am	2nd Sunday of Easter - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

April Rotas

Reception

Offering

Sun	3 Apr	Christine Barker	Alex Cook
Sun	10 Apr	Janette Turvey	Margaret Redpath
Sun	17 Apr	Margaret Redpath	Janette Turvey
Sun	24 Apr	Alex Cook	Liz Johnson
Sun	1 May	Christine Barker	Alex Cook

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