

# A Community enriched by Christian faith, worship and values.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, COOKHAM

IN THE BENEFICE OF THE  
COOKHAMS.

SERVING AT THE HEART  
OF THE COMMUNITY

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021

*Mothering Sunday*



## Church Reopening

We are pleased to announce that Holy Trinity Church will reopen on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March for a service for Mothering Sunday at 11.00am. As before, we will be using a booking system. We plan to open on the following days and times:

**HTC**

**Sundays at 11.00am**  
**Thursdays at 7.30am**

**Private Prayer**

**Tuesdays at 10-12.00**

**SJB**

**Sundays at 9.15am**  
**Wednesdays at 10.00am**

**Private Prayer**

**Wednesdays after the service until 11.30am**

**Booking is Required for Services**

**If you would like to attend one of our services,  
please contact the Parish Office:**

**01628 529661**

**[office@cofe-thecookhams.org.uk](mailto:office@cofe-thecookhams.org.uk)**

In the meantime, we will continue to post services on our [website](#), [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) - [Cookham Churches](#).

This week:

**9.15am**

**[SJB Eucharist - Livestreamed](#)**

**11.00am**

**[HTC Eucharist - Livestreamed](#)**

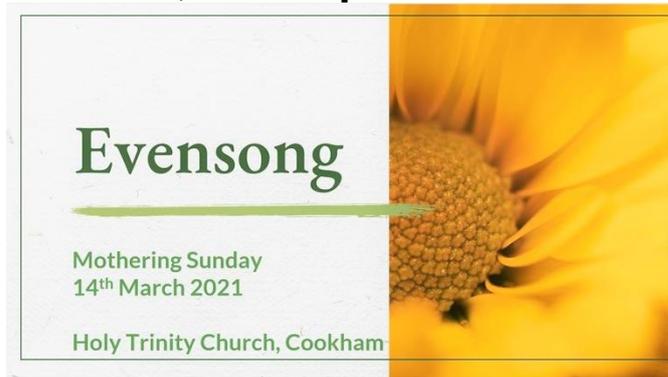
**6.30pm**

**[Evensong for Mothering Sunday](#)**



**Red Nose Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Have you got your Red Nose yet...?



## **[Evensong for Mothering Sunday](#)** **[6.30pm on YouTube](#)**

This Sunday we have a special online Evensong for Mothering Sunday - with a musical Prelude, Readings and Prayers all recorded by members of our Choristers' Mums' Choir, plus music from our Trinity Trio. And we are delighted to have as a guest reader Cookham's own Wendy Craig. She is special in relation to our Choirs because she is both a grandmother - to Julia in our Choristers' Mums' Choir - and a great-grandmother - to Jennie in our Girls' Choir. Don't forget - Subscribe to our Channel and you can set a reminder to view. Tell your friends to do the same and you can all watch together!



## **PFC Ethiopia lockdown challenge**

Please help PFC Ethiopia and join us in our 'clock up your kilometres' lockdown challenge. Lets try to cover the same distance between Cookham to Debre Birhan in Ethiopia, that being 8766 km to be exact! Over the next few weeks we would love you to help us clock up the kilometres by either running, walking, cycling, skating or perhaps even swimming, so that we can reach our destination in Ethiopia. Not only will you be keeping fit and having fun, but you will also be supporting a brilliant cause that will change the lives of disadvantaged children at two schools in Debre Birhan as well as providing business training for their parents in the hope of a brighter future.

To register please email [pfcethiopia@gmail.com](mailto:pfcethiopia@gmail.com)



[holytrinitycookham.org.uk](http://holytrinitycookham.org.uk) Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – Mothering Sunday

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### Evening Prayer

Evening Prayer is available to join via Zoom on **Thursdays at 5.00pm**. Please email the office to receive the joining link. Everyone is welcome



### Please pray for those who are ill...

Tom Copas, Lesley Fulker, Jean Lewis, Bryan Lewis, David Ashwanden, Alastair McKerlie



### Readings and Prayers for Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March Collect

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,  
and on the cross drew the whole human family  
to himself:

strengthen us in our daily living  
that in joy and in sorrow  
we may know the power of your presence  
to bind together and to heal;  
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.

### Reading Exodus 2:1-10

A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and

get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?'

Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because,' she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

### Gospel Luke 2:33-35

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

### Prayer

Loving God,  
as a mother feeds her children at the breast  
you feed us in this sacrament  
with the food and drink of eternal life:  
help us who have tasted your goodness  
to grow in grace within the household of faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



## Mothering Sunday

Each year on the fourth Sunday of Lent we celebrate Mothering Sunday. This typically involves lavishing Mums with gifts and attention and celebrating the women who have nurtured us throughout our lives. In the 16th century, Mothering Sunday was less about mothers and more about church. Back then, people would make a journey to their 'mother' church once a year. This symbolised the coming together of families and would have represented a significant journey for many. Before the days of cars and roads, family get-togethers were far more rare, (and facetime was still a long way off). In some ways this tradition is still alive today as grown-up children often visit their parents on Mothering Sunday. Sadly this year we cannot hand out flowers to all the Mums visiting us today, but hopefully you will be spoiled by your family as best they can during what we hope is nearly the end of lockdown.

