



**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BENINGTON AND WALKERN**



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The **Methodist** Church



## SUNDAY 17 MARCH: LENT 5

### COLLECT

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.



## Benington & Walkern Church Services

### Sunday 17 March: Lent 5

St Mary's Walkern	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Laurie Hawkins
St Peter's Benington	11.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Rev Mark Bailey
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Churches Together in Benington, Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev Zdzisiu Hendzel
United Reformed Church, Walkern	3.00pm	Family Service	

### Next Sunday 24 March: Palm Sunday

St Mary's Walkern	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Mark Bailey
St Peter's Benington	No service		
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Morning Worship	Margaret Johnson
United Reformed Church, Walkern	3.00pm	Palm Sunday Meditation	Steve Mason

## Walkern & Benington Food Bank: St Mary's church in Walkern on Wednesday mornings 10.00-11.00.

Thank you very much to everyone who responded so generously to our plea for donations this week. You are amazing and making a big difference to households in our Benefice.

We are particularly in need of basics at the moment including tea, coffee, milk, soup and tinned vegetables.

Many thanks for your support for those who live among us.

<b>Tea</b>	Rice - microwaveable	<b>Tinned vegetables</b>
<b>Coffee</b>	Cleaning and laundry	<b>Tinned soup</b>
<b>Milk</b>	products	Tinned fruit
Snacks	Children's snacks and drinks	Tinned custard & rice
Sugar	Toilet rolls	pudding
Biscuits	Tinned fish/ meat	Baked beans
Pasta	Tinned tomatoes	Toiletries
Cereal	Sanitary products	Pasta sauce
Pies		Washing up liquid

**Sorry - but we can't take items that are past their 'use by' date.**

Beverley Harlow on 07881588662 or [bevharlow16@gmail.com](mailto:bevharlow16@gmail.com).



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## Service of Music and Readings for Holy Week



**Wednesday  
27th March  
6.00pm  
St Mary's**

## Walkern & Sandon United Reformed Church

### Lent Lunch

on **Tuesday 19th March** at  
**12.30pm** at the URC in  
Walkern

Please contact Olga 861754 if  
you wish to attend.

Donations to UNICEF  
Gaza appeal

Walkern and Sandon URC

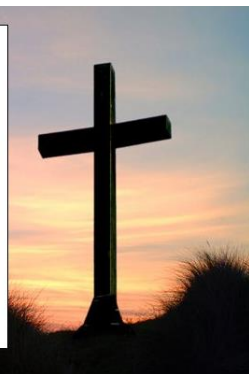
Walkern High Street

Presents:

### Words from the Foot of the Cross

Palm Sunday

24<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 3.00pm



## Maundy Thursday Reflection and Supper

**Benington Methodist Church at 6.30 p.m. 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

The simple supper will be based on the “Seder” or Passover meal  
followed by the candlelit “Tenebrae” service.

If you wish to attend, please contact Brenda Davies,  
before Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

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## Lunch Club: 21 March

£5 per head, pay on the day. We'll be offering:

**Homemade Sausage Roll/Sandwich:**

**Egg & Cress, Ham & Tomato, Tinned Salmon & Cucumber**

**Soups: Sweet Potato, Coconut & Chilli / Winter Vegetable**

**Sign up at Coffee Morning or contact:**

Heather Ferguson

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**For your diary: 2024 Lunch Club Dates:**

April 18; May 16; June 20; July 18; August 15; September 19 October  
17; November 7; December 5.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Prayer for King Charles

*We pray for the King's health, for Her Majesty the Queen, for his family, and for all who care for him.*

*We remember with thanksgiving and prayer the medical teams caring for him and for all those who are undergoing diagnosis and treatment at this time.*

*As The King encourages understanding for all those who are affected by cancer, we also hold dear those in our wider community who continue to be affected by cancer.*

*Named requests for prayer will be included on the notice sheet for at least one month. If you would like a name to be included for our intercessions, please contact the Parish Office [ubbw@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ubbw@hotmail.co.uk) or 07407 630159 or Maggie Hawkins (359500) for Walkern. (Names from the prayer board in St Mary's Church will also be included in the intercessions in that church.) Prayer is regularly offered for all the sick and needy in our community.*

### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Those who live in our villages:** This week we pray for all who live in Finches End, Walkern and Blacksmiths Hill, Benington.

**We pray for those in our parishes or friends and family members who are housebound, unwell, receiving treatment or recovering from operations:** Katie Tysome (Walkern) and Brian Burgess (Benington).

**We also remember those who have died and their families and friends:**

#### Wedding, Funerals and Baptisms

If you need to arrange a baptism, funeral or wedding, please contact our Vicar, Rev Mark Bailey on [mdbailey066@gmail.com](mailto:mdbailey066@gmail.com) 01763 281052.

St Mary's churchwardens are also available to help:

Maggie Hawkins: [margaret15a@hotmail.com](mailto:margaret15a@hotmail.com) (01438 359 500)

Beverley Harlow: [bevharlow16@gmail.com](mailto:bevharlow16@gmail.com) (01438 225 365)

**Benington Methodist Church:** Steward: Mr Brian Burgess (01438 237748)

**United Reformed Church, Walkern:** Secretary: Mrs Olga Ginn (01438 861754)