

Sodbury Vale Benefice

17th March Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.30am	All Age Communion <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Chipping Sodbury
11.15am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Catherine Coster</i>	Old Sodbury
11.15am	Morning Prayer <i>Revd Steve Abbott</i>	Horton
6.00pm	Evensong <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Little Sodbury

Collect for the fifth Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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.

Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31: 31 - 34

John 12: 20 - 33

If you are reading this virtually the Fundraising Book Sale is on Saturday at the Church Centre from 10am to noon. Come along and bring your friends to enjoy tea, coffee and delicious cake whilst browsing the books on sale. If you are reading after Saturday, I hope you enjoyed it!

The Childrens Society Box Collection 2023 Thank you to all my box holders, throughout the Benefice, for another year of generous donations. This year you have raised £660.85. All monies have now been sent off to The Childrens Society. If anyone would like a box to start collecting, please give me a ring 07970902391 and I will get a box to you. Hilary Hurley, Local Secretary.

Walk of Witness, on Good Friday 29th March, meet at 10am at Chipping Sodbury Clock tower to then walk to Yate Shopping Centre.

Mothers' Union thank everyone who helped with, contributed to or bought from the MU **Mothering Sunday Cake Stall in Chipping Sodbury Church**: everything was sold, the sale raised £147.00 which will go to the Mothering Sunday project: 'Give the gift of Dignity'. This helps to fund literacy classes, loans to start small businesses and other projects to enable families to flourish. It is one of Mothers' Union Overseas Projects. We really appreciate the support and generosity of the congregation, Thank you.

Sodbury Vale Strollers will be meeting on Wednesday March 20th for a walk in the Thornbury area of around 5 miles. Meet at 0930 a.m. at The Ridings Car Park to share lifts. This is part of the Thornbury Biodiversity walk so could be a bit muddy, no coffee shop on route so bring drinks with you, option for lunch in Thornbury high street.

Foodbank shopping list for March, Sponge puddings, UHT Milk (Long Life) Coffee, Tinned Potatoes, Deodorant. Washing up liquid, washing powder.

Thursday 21st March		
10.00am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Chris Axford</i>	Church Centre
24th March Palm Sunday		
10.30am	Benefice Communion <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Old Sodbury

Advance Notice of Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday 28th	10am	Holy Communion <i>Revd Rob Axford</i>	Church Centre
	7.00pm	Communion with Stripping the Altar and hours watch <i>Revd Chris Butler and Revd Jane Jones-Williams</i>	Chipping Sodbury
Good Friday 29th	3.00pm	Meditation Service <i>Revd Chris Butler and Revd Jane Jones-Williams</i>	Chipping Sodbury
Easter Saturday 30th	7.00pm	Easter Vigil <i>Revd Sue Gent</i>	Little Sodbury
Easter Sunday 31st	6.00am	Dawn Service <i>Revd Chris Butler and Revd Jane Jones-Williams</i>	Old Sodbury
	9.30am	Easter Communion <i>Revd Chris Axford and Revd Chris Butler</i>	Chipping Sodbury
	11.15am	Easter Communion <i>Revd Chris Butler</i>	Old Sodbury
	11.15am	Easter Communion <i>Revd Jane Jones-Williams</i>	Horton
	6.00pm	Easter Communion <i>Revd Colin Lunt</i>	Little Sodbury

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