



EBC GRAPEVINE

Welcome to the March issue of “Grapevine”.
Our way of letting you know what is going on each month.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

SUNDAYS IN MARCH

- 6th Spectrum all age worship
- 13th Morning Worship with the dedication of Grace McBryan
- 20th Morning Worship with Communion
- 27th Church Anniversary Service with the baptism of Joel Biggs

PRAYER TEXT SERVICE

Do you or someone you know need prayer?

We can pray for you in confidence.

Just text 07775 578449

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CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday 27th March

Many years ago, Chris Murphy and Nigel Hollingsworth drove to north east Romania to take supplies to children there. Since then, a charity, the Cascaid Trust, has been formed. They are four miles from the Ukranian border and are now helping the many refugees from Ukraine. Our Thank offering this year will be given to help that desperate need. As it is a small charity, we know that the money we give will go directly to them.



Please also bring an Easter Egg to the service to donate to the Food Bank!

CHURCH AGM

Monday 28th March at 8.00pm

It would be lovely to see you all there. We will be saying goodbye to some of our deacons and voting new deacons in, thanking God for the past year and praying for the future

PASS THE BATON NEWS

At a special Church meeting on Sunday February 20 the membership voted to appoint the Rev Andy Morgan as minister of EBC. It was an affirming yes - 97.2%. Watch this space for further news.....

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The LEP Good Friday service will take place on Friday April 15 at 10.30am outside Nandos. There will also be a service in St Andrews Church at 11.00am.



ADIOS DAWN

After 31 years of being our part-time cleaner Dawn has decided to hang up her duster and enjoy retirement. We are so grateful for all that she has done for EBC. If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift, then please put it in an envelope marked Dawn and hand to Mandy.

Deacon's election

This Sunday is the last day for nominations for standing as a deacon.

MARCH

*March brings breezes loud and shrill
Stirs the dancing daffodil
Sara Coleridge*

LET US PRAY

- Giving thanks for the changing season and how God continues to take care of us
- That the horror of what is taking place in Ukraine will cease and that governments and people that have influence there will help to bring about a peaceful solution
- For the people of Ukraine suffering in the cold without shelter and food, with bombs and gunfire shattering their days and nights
- For the forthcoming deacon election, that a strong team will take us through the busy years ahead
- That once Andy has officially confirmed that he will be joining us as Minister of EBC all the plans will go smoothly
- That all we do as a church will allow Jesus to shine within our building and out into the community
- For all that Mandy does for the church and as she prepares to 'hand over the baton' that God will continue to sustain her in health and outlook, equipping her and the teams that support her with all that is needed for a successful transition



Our prayers are with the people of Ukraine at this time.

You might also wish to make a financial donation.

BMS World mission have an opportunity to do so on their website.

<https://www.bmsworldmission.org/>

AND FINALLY!!

The government has removed all restrictions regarding masks. But we will still operate an area of the sanctuary where masks must be worn and where windows will still be open. But from this Sunday the windows on the other side of the sanctuary will only be open at the top. If you wish to sit by an open window, then please sit on the left-hand side. I am trying to make sure those that want to wear a mask are able to and also those that are feeling the cold during Sunday worship are looked after. Please understand. Thank you. Mandy