#### Spring 2017

# Families Welcome!

**Events and news for families from Wroughton Parish Church** 



## **Race those pancakes!**

Join us at Willow-Brook Gardens at 11.30am on Saturday 25th February for pancake and egg-related fun races! Enjoy tucking into some delicious fresh pancakes at the Parish Hall afterwards.

Lent begins this year on 1st March. Traditionally Lent has been a time of fasting- an opportunity to give up things and get into better habits! Historically foods such as meat, fish, fats and eggs were given up and pancakes were made to use these up before Lent began. Nowadays many people take something up rather than give up something. Perhaps you can do something new as a family or encourage your children to try something new.



**Did you know...** The Shrove Tuesday pancake race at Olney, Bucks has been run since **1445.** 

The largest pancake was created in Manchester in 1994, and measured **15.01m.** 

Australian chef Brad Jolly set a record in 2012 by flipping a pancake **140 times in a minute.** 

It is estimated that an impressive **52 million** eggs are used in Britain each Shrove Tuesday.



## Mothering Sunday-26th March

### Mothering Sunday service 10am Mossy Church 4pm, meet at Parish Hall

Mother's Day is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all that it means to be a parent- we hope that you will get some treats! You'd be very welcome to join us at the Parish Church at 10am where we'll be celebrating all the ways in which 'parenting' happens in our lives- young and old!

We know that it can be a tough time for those who have difficult relationships with parents or children and those who have lost a child. Do let us know if we can help- sometimes a listening ear can make all the difference!

## Palm Sunday- 9th April



Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Easter week and also the start of school holidays this year. Join us at 4pm at the Parish Hall for

Messy Church, including all kinds of Easter games, crafts and activities, storytelling and teatime goodies! Bring your friends!

## Easter Sunday-16th April



What does the Easter story mean to you?

During the Easter season, churches around the world will be remembering how the pride and meanness that we all struggle with at times put Jesus, God's Son, to death.

Thankfully it was not the end! When Jesus came alive again a new way of life was opened for all of us.

Join our 4pm service in the Parish Hall for Easter songs, children's activities and celebration.



## **Mossy Church**

Many people can describe moments in nature where they've felt connected to something bigger than themselves, and Mossy Church explores that connection to learn more about nature in a way that all the family can enjoy.

We've been enjoying the outside space around Wroughton for our last few sessions and will be thinking about how God cares for us through 'Mother Earth' on Mother's Day. Bring your wellies and join us for a bit of storytelling and nature craft at 4pm starting at the Parish Church Hall.

## Easter week events and services

9th April- Palm Sunday Messy Church-4pm at the Parish Hall
16th April- Easter Morning service-10am at the Parish Church 4pm- Church at 4 Family Easter Celebration at the Parish Hall

Church at 4 is every Sunday, 4pm at the Parish Hall- all are welcome!

For more information or to contact someone for prayer/support: 01793 812050 office@wroughton.com

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