

Grovehill Church

of the Resurrection

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<u>The Rev's Ramblings</u>

In generations gone by it may have been easier to categorise things.

"Wait 'til your father comes home!" were the words of threat to a child from the harassed mother who has stayed at home cleaning and cooking and knows that when the father comes home from his hard day at work there'll be discipline issued!

Things have changed, and rightly so, and it is not as appropriate to categorise who is the tough parent and who is the soft, fluffy, kind, gentle one.

With families with more than one parent, it's important to work as a team and have consistency of message. There's no sense in one parent setting a boundary if the other parent doesn't uphold it.

And one parent families parents find themselves having to play all the parenting roles of comforter and provider, Judge and Defence.

It must be like dribbling a football to keep it on track (hopefully without the kicking!)

In my prayers you may notice I refer to God as 'God of Love'.

I don't limit God to our earthly understanding of what a father is, or even a mother. God is way beyond. In Rembrandt's painting of the return of the prodigal

son it is interesting to see that the father who welcomes back his dishevelled son is placing both hands on his kneeling son's shoulders.

One hand is large and strong, the other is slender and gentle.

It shows that God can be for us both mother and father.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for all preparations for children's activities during the Easter holidays.

Locally Pray for our Member of Parliament and Dacorum Council and Councillors.

This week's other News



Dates for your Diary

Sunday 30th March at 1am Clocks go forward by 1 hour.

Saturday 5th April at 6pm Games Evening in church hall. SPRING FORWARD

Games Evening in church hal **Monday 14th April at 1:30pm Messy Church** in church/hall.

Maundy Thursday 17th April 7pm in church hall for a simple meal of bread

& soup. **7:30pm** in church for shared communion and foot washing.

Friday 9th May at 7pm Rev's Curry Night Bengal Spice Restaurant.

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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY 30th March – Fourth Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

11:00am

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK Crocheted Daffodils for sale. Recommended donation: £3 - cash only please.

Readings this week: 2 Corinthians 5.16-21 Gospel Reading: From Luke 15. REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE 12noon

MONDAY to FRIDAY 9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*



3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE (MESSAGE) IN CHURCH HALL FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES OR CARERS

TUESDAY 1st April

9:15am-11:45am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH 10am-12noon CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY GROUP IN CHURCH HALL LENT COURSE - SESSION 5 IN CHURCH HALL and ON ZOOM* 7:30pm-9pm

WEDNESDAY 2nd April

12noon-1pm LADIES' BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

THURSDAY 3rd April

1:00pm-2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL

FRIDAY 4th April

1:30pm-3pm LENT COURSE - SESSION 5 IN CHURCH HALL 7:30pm-9pm ROMANIAN PRAYER GROUP IN CHURCH

SATURDAY 5th April

9am-12noon	DECORATING IN THE CHURCH SPACE
10:00am–12noon	DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL
6pm	GAMES EVENING IN CHURCH HALL

Next Sunday 6th April – Fifth Sunday of Lent

11:00am HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE 12noon 3:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH

* For all Zoom events, please send an email to <u>revaustin@sky.com</u> to receive an invite.

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