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The First Sunday of Lent

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Chaplaincy Pew News

SOTOGRADE & SAN PEDRO Congregations

The Waters of Baptism

San Pedro Anglican Service at 10.00 am Sotograde Anglican Service at 12 noon

<u>Hymns</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Page</u>
160 Forty days and forty nights	Genesis 9: 8-17	10
538 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry	1 Peter 3: 18-22	1219
261 I am the bread of life	Mark 1: 9-15	1002
755 When I survey the wondrous cross		

Sunday School at both churches, contact -
 Andrea on 2021andreabc@gmail.com for San Pedro
 and Margarita on margarita.wrann@gmail.com for Sotograde

SERVICES ON-LINE

If you would like to follow a service online try this one. SAN PEDRO: Last Sundays Anglican service

https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLUiVcTDyacFQokwUTtspr5ivUnsZ28_hZ&v=1erRSmHtclc

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the Gibraltar Methodist Church monthly Newsletter, please ask Graham Gibbens: grahamgibbens@gmail.com

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

DATE	SAN PEDRO	SOTOGRADE
25th February	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Anglican 12 Noon (Tony Carroll)
3rd March	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Methodist Service 12 Noon (Conrad Hicks)
10th March	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Anglican 12 Noon (Tony Carroll) Mothering Sunday
17th March	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Anglican 12 Noon (Tony Carroll)
24th March	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Anglican 12 Noon (Tony Carroll) Palm Sunday
28th March	Maundy Thursday service 12	noon Chaplaincy House, followed by shared lunch
29th March	Good Friday, Way of the Cross,	With German Protestant Church. See next page.
31st March	Anglican 10am (Tony Carroll)	Anglican 12 Noon (Tony Carroll) Easter Day
7th April	Service of the Word	Methodist Service 12 Noon (Conrad Hicks)



In addition to the Sunday services on **Palm Sunday and Easter Day**

There will be a **Maundy Thursday** service at Chaplaincy House at 12 noon on Thursday 28th March, followed by a shared lunch.

There will be a **Good Friday** Way of the Cross Service with the German Protestant Church at the *Iglesia Calvario* in Marbella at 4 pm on 29th March.

The way of the cross will follow a path up the Calvary Hill behind the church.
(Address C de Calvario s/n 29601 Marbella)

Lent Lunch at 1pm on Tuesday 27th February

Rosemary Dale is preparing a "Lent Lunch" at her house in Pueblo Nuevo.

It will be a quiet time of fellowship with a light lunch.

Anyone interested should contact, Rosemary or Christine by email or in person.

(njandrgdale6@gmail.com or sotograndechurchwarden@hotmail.com)

They will provide you with directions



Advance notice of the Chaplaincy Away Day

4th May at the home of Michael and Vivian Harvey

Cortijo El Papudo, San Martin del Tesorillo

A full programme for the day will be published in due course,
along with directions of how to get there.

Meantime please put this date in your diaries now!

Numbers will be limited if you are wanting to go please let your warden know asap.

LENT COURSE 2024

Details were in Pew News dated 28th January - here is a brief reminder.

“The Clewer Initiative, on behalf of the Church of England, has worked with the World Council of Churches to produce a global Lent course to help Christians learn about the challenges of modern slavery and human trafficking. Based upon Paul’s letter to the Galatians with its great theme of bondage and freedom, the course offers an opportunity for people to prayerfully consider how best they can make a creative contribution”.

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

How the course works. Each session consists of the following elements:

- An opening paragraph, sharing the theme of the week and introductory information about modern slavery
- A modern slavery fact file, helping you understand the scale of the issue
- One or two case studies telling the story of a victim of modern slavery – some of these have been filmed and can be watched during or after the session
- The bible reading – a chapter from Galatians
- A reflection, written by Revd Dr Kenneth Mtata and Bishop Alastair Redfern, drawing on themes from a chapter in the book of Galatians
- A set of questions to encourage discussion and reflection
- An opportunity to look at two contemporary illustrations and consider how they add to your understanding of the theme
- A prayer
- A story of hope
- Some action points

The **San Pedro** course will start on **Thursday 22nd February at 5 pm** and run for 6 weeks, we will have two venues: The homes of Alanna Carter in Nueva Andalucía, for the first one, and Angie Newman in Guadalmina, full addresses will be sent when you let me know you want to go. Each week will stand alone, so it is not essential to attend every week. Details of each weeks programme along with the bible reading will be sent a week in advance. Therefore week one will be attached to this newsletter. Although it would be good to attend a course, for discussion etc. you can, of course, work though the material alone and I hope many swallows in particular will.

If you want to know more about this course go to

[file:///C:/Users/User/Desktop/The+Clewer+True+Freedom+Document+FINAL+-+ENGLISH%20\(1\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/User/Desktop/The+Clewer+True+Freedom+Document+FINAL+-+ENGLISH%20(1).pdf)

It is a big document 49 pages, to make life easier we will download each week separately.

In the meantime, to prepare, why not start reading Galatians now.

Easter Swallows...

My husband Alastair and I joined your congregation at San Pedro in November 2022 when we were staying in Cancelada and received such a warm welcome that we are planning to return for a month at Easter, so I hope that qualifies us to be considered as Swallows!

Here in the UK we live in a pretty village just south of Cambridge and worship at our local Parish church. Alastair, a retired engineer, has organised the installation of a live streaming facility there and has trained a team of volunteers to operate it. He also organises the church rota - so our vicar loves him very much! I am a retired music teacher and most weeks I play the organ or piano for services. We both enjoy singing and are members of several local choirs as well as leading worship at church as part of a small choral group.

We have 3 grown up children who all live fairly close to us, and five grandchildren ranging from 5 to 20 years old. We've been doing regular childcare for quite a number of years and are taking the opportunity to travel since our youngest granddaughter has started primary school.

We look forward to meeting you again in a few weeks!



Alison and Alastair Knights

If you are a swallow, we would love to hear from you and share your story so we can get to know you better and welcome you warmly in the congregation.

Please email jeremy.aspinall@live.co.uk

The Chaplaincy has regular weekly events, open to all.
NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE WHILST BUILDING WORK ON PASEO

Sabinillas Tuesday Coffee Mornings

We meet each Tuesday from **11am** for coffee and a chat at
Luna Nueva

On Sabinillas Paseo, on the corner next to The Lucky Bar
(no sign for the actual café)

Please call Sylvia on 620052 440 for more details



CAMEO - Come and Meet Each Other
SAN PEDRO FRIDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

We meet each **Friday from 11:00am** for coffee and a chat at

La Tradicional, Calle Palencia 2

San Pedro (usual after Church venue)

Call Jean on 609 256 274 for more details



PRAYER GROUP

Margarita hosts a Prayer meeting via Zoom every Monday at 8:00pm

Everyone is welcome to join to pray & share.

Please contact Margarita on margarita.wrann@gmail.com or via
WhatsApp on +34 650965677 for the date of the next meeting.



If you have anyone you would like included in the service prayers at
San Pedro this week, let Patricia know at: patricia.g2515@hotmail.co.uk



THE BIBLE PROJECT

Do you want to know more about the Bible, but unsure how to go about it? The Bible Project (www.bibleproject.com) is an excellent place to start to learn more, containing short and easy to follow videos on all the books of the Bible as well as many of the themes.

It also has articles, podcasts etc. on many Biblical themes.

It is a great introduction to some of the lesser-known books as well as a great resource for exploring more complicated issues of our faith and understanding God's plan for us.

It is definitely worth checking out.

THIS WEEKS RECOMMENDED BIBLE PROJECT VIDEO

1 Peter

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/1-peter/>

SAFEGUARDING

In accordance with the Diocese of Europe Protocol and policy, this church has its own Chaplaincy Safeguarding Officer (CSO) who is Jean Kerr-Hill.

If you have any concerns or questions with regards to Safeguarding please contact us on info.costachurch@gmail.com or Jean on

sgojkh48@yahoo.com



Our Chaplaincy supports in a practical way the following local charities weekly,
please try to put a little something extra in your shopping basket, to bring to Church each Sunday

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ANY FOODSTUFFS DONATED ARE IN DATE!

Sotogrande - Café y Calor Charity they now have a basic Day Centre where they can offer breakfast items and snacks; 8am to 3pm. So they are asking us to consider providing items like: sponge cakes and biscuits, milk, sugar, coffee, microwave porridge, other cereals, baked beans, anything that can be warmed up in a microwave, as there are no real cooking facilities available.

Please pop an item or 2 in the blue box for them each Sunday if you can remember.

Thank you.

San Pedro - Caritas (in San Pedro) and Emaus (in Estepona) - on alternating weeks.

Items needed most for all charities:-

Milk, cooking oil, potatoes, rice, tomate frito, lentils, pastas, tuna, chick peas, flour.

All the essentials and perhaps some treats.



Please continue to remember those less fortunate than ourselves.
Keep supporting our local charities who are struggling to feed many families.



Tithes and Offerings

Remember we are completely self-financing, and your offerings are our lifeline.

At both churches we pass around the offertory bag during the service as part of our worship, but there are other ways to give.

Why not set up a standing order and give regularly monthly, quarterly, whatever works best for you to make your offerings directly please contact our treasurer who will provide our bank details so you can make a transfer.

stephen.wall673@gmail.com

Remember that regular donations can be tax deductible

- contact our treasurer for details.



Who is who in the Chaplaincy and how to contact them

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Team members : **Patricia Gommersall** - patricia.g2515@hotmail.co.uk

Jean Kerr-Hill: - kerrhillspain@yahoo.co.uk

San Pedro Pastoral Care Helpline - patricia.g2515@hotmail.co.uk

ECO NEWS

Aside from bees and butterflies,
bats are one of the most important pollinators on the planet - especially in tropical and desert regions.



ECO REP - Rosalind Scott-Gibb - rosalind.scott.gibb@gmail.com

Church ECO website: costaecogroup.wixsite.com/website-3

Church ECO group Facebook page: Costa del Sol Eco group

We had a successful Messy Church last Saturday, although numbers were down, due to the wet weather.



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