

Dear all,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. This coming Sunday we reach the midpoint in our mini-series entitled **Remembering**, **Reflecting and Recovering** – designed to help us as we hopefully continue to slowly emerge from the Covid 19 pandemic. For this Sunday's sermon Tim has asked me to use **Psalm 90** as a starting point in looking at the subject of **Reflecting** – so what does that word mean?

The Concise Oxford Dictionary provides quite a range of definitions for what it means to **reflect**, but perhaps the most helpful for our purpose is to **go back in thought, to meditate or consult with oneself, to remind oneself or consider**. The actual word only appears four times in the Old Testament and three times in the New Testament. We will probably be most familiar with the three New Testament verses:

1 Corinthians 13:12 – For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face.

2 Corinthians 3:18 – We all, who with unveiled faces reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

2 Timothy 2:7 – Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

Join with me in our livestreamed service on Sunday, as using these verses alongside **Psalm 90**, we will together seek to **reflect** on our Covid 19 experience.

Rev. George Cobb

Church News:

Revised Roadmap

In light of the success of the Government's Covid Vaccination Programme and the falling rates of infection, <u>please click here</u> to view St Mary's revised Roadmap.

One key development is that the Wednesday 9am Service starts this Wednesday 5th May. To book tickets, **please click here**.

• Kitchen Update

Over £12,000 of the £20,000 needed has been given towards this project so far – thank-you for your support. To continue supporting this project please <u>click here.</u>

• A Bug Hotel in the Churchyard!

James Faulkner is assembling a bug hotel in the Churchyard as part of the Creation Care Group's work and is looking for material to help build homes for insects and beetles of all sorts. Please visit <u>this web page</u> for more information.

• Sunday Services

Do join us for this week's service at 10am on Facebook or YouTube.

This week's service is a Communion Service so do get ready for this.

After the service, please join us on Zoom for 'Zoffee and Zea' for a time of catching up with each other at 11:45am. Please contact me for the Zoom link.

Under Aslan's paw, Tim - Vicar, St Mary's Eaton Socon