## CHURCHWARDENS' RAMBLINGS March 2024

It is difficult to believe that we are already into the third month of 2024 but entering into March brings such wonderful sights and sounds. Springtime is now upon us with colourful daffodils and crocus bursting into life, the birdsong getting livelier and louder and the miracle of lambs being born and so swiftly running around in the fields.

As we write this update, our heating project is nearing completion and we look forward with great excitement to re-opening the doors of St Michael's on 10th March. Not only do we celebrate the changes made to the Church, we have an opportunity for everyone to join in a celebration of ALL Mothers and thank them for doing what they do and for being there for us. We hope that many families will come with Mothers and Grandmothers for this celebration but everyone else is invited as well because we all have or have had a Mum. You will see from our service schedule that we have a good number of services throughout the rest of the month, culminating in celebration for Easter Sunday.

Again, we hope to see the Church full of people of all ages for this special service which will be followed by an Easter Egg hunt for the children. We will not be offering refreshments that day as we know you will all have plenty of chocolate to go home to. We remain your first point of contact in the village if there is anything you need - general or specific information, enquiries about weddings, funerals and burials - contact Kathy White in Portway Gardens (810418) and Andrew Bellamy in The Square (810847). Alternatively, you can use the Rectory telephone (810903) or email to office@astwickvalebenefice.org. **Kathy and Andrew**