

PRAYERS FOR LENT 3

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Lord, grant to your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: MOTHERING SUNDAY

Exodus 2 v 1 – 10; 2 Corinthians 1 v 3 – 7;
Luke 2 v 33 - 35

Please pray for the souls of the recently departed and for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time, among them:

ROBERT HEATH; RENEE BUCKLEY;
MADELINE SIMMONS; JOHN ANDERSON;
MATTHEW BATH; LAWRIE ROLFE; BABY – JACK LEE

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS – our good wishes and prayers go to those celebrating their birthday at this time especially: JULIE SAMUEL (9TH); LENA BARTLETT & REBECCA CROW (10TH); AMELIA WILLIAMS (11TH)

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PAINT – Jessica Povey is going to brighten up our 'Church Open' sign. If you have any pots of exterior gloss paint that you no longer need, please let Jessica know. She is mainly looking for white and black – but other colours will be considered! Tel Jessica on 326693.

SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS – Little Fishes are collecting the vouchers currently being issued by Tesco and Sainsburys – there are collecting boxes in the foyer of St Peter's Centre.

PANTOMIME - thank you to everyone who supported the parish pantomime. We raised just over £1200 which will be divided between St Peter's, Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice and St James' Hospital in Lesotho.

TOAST CLUB - our After School Club for Infant and Junior School children meets on Thursdays in term time 3 – 30 pm to 5 pm in St Peter's Centre.

100 CLUB - the next draw is during coffee in St Peter's Centre on Sunday 28th March. If you have not returned your form for next year, please do so asap. If you would like to join the 100 Club please see Claire in the parish office.

HOUSE GROUP – for Bible Study, prayer and a chance for a chat with friends. If you are interested in joining please speak to Linda Hill on 343716.

THE HEALING MINISTRY – is offered during the distribution of Holy Communion at the 10 am service on the fourth Sunday of each month and once a quarter at the 11 – 15 am service on the second Sunday of the month (March, June, September and December). If you require the healing Ministry at other times, or would like to receive Holy Communion at home when you are ill, please speak to the Rector.

WORKING PARTY – on the first Saturday of each month to do small maintenance jobs around the Church and Centre 9 – 00 am to 12 noon. See Peter Quantrill if you can spare an hour or two.

COUGHS AND SNEEZES – fortunately the threat from Swine Flu has not increased recently. However, there are plenty of the more usual types of winter coughs and colds going around. If you have any symptoms you might like to receive Holy Communion by intinction rather than by drinking from the chalice (i.e. by dipping the Host (bread) into the wine, but being careful not to let your fingers touch the wine.) This helps prevent the spread of infections to other members of the congregation.

BISHOP'S VISIT

Bishop Christopher will be visiting our Deanery from 14th to 21st March. We have two opportunities to meet with him. There is a tea at The Chapel on Thursday 18th March at 3 pm. Then on Saturday 20th March he will be celebrating a Eucharist at St Peter's Farnborough at 12 noon. This will be followed by a Bring and Share lunch. Everyone is welcome. If you would like transport please speak to Fr Keith.

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