

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 12th February 2017

Third Sunday before Lent Year A

We welcome any newcomers to the church. It would help us to get to know you if you complete one of the welcome cards from the library at the back of the church and hand it to a sidesperson or a Warden.

Readings Year A Proper 2

1st : Deuteronomy 30. 15 – 20

2nd : 1 Corinthians 3. 1 – 9

Gospel: Matthew 5. 21 – 37

Collect

**Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church The Very Rev'd Catherine Ogle,
New Dean of Winchester Cathedral
Loo Project
Helen O'Sullivan in Ordination training
To be baptised Seren Marie Liela Dawber

The Parish Hazel Close and Ash Close

The sick John McCorriston Jean Farmery

The Departed Phyllis Brooks Iris Homer
Gillian Denly

Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time
Phyllis Ray Molly Horn

Events

Today	12.45 pm	Baptism : Seren Dawber
	6.00 pm	Evensong
Tuesday	9.30 am	Loo Project meeting
	7.30 pm	Bells
Wednesday	12.15 pm	Company for Lunch
Sunday 19 th	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
		2 nd Sunday before Lent
		Readings for the Eucharist
		1 st : Genesis 1.1 – 2.3
		2 nd : Romans 8. 18 – 25
		Gospel: Matthew 6. 25 – 34

Prayer Requests – in addition to passing on concerns directly to the clergy, there are prayer request cards on the book shelf at the back of the church. They can be left at any time in the box and they will be included in the daily prayers for the parish and, when appropriate, include them on the weekly sheet.

If you know of **anyone who is sick or in hospital**, or would like a visit from a member of the Clergy, please pass the information on to the Vicar or a churchwarden. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.

There are copies of the **readings for the month** at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one home with you, if you would like to.

Special Charity

During February we shall continue to collect for the Parkinson's Winchester branch. The January magazine gives an overview of how our donations will help to support local sufferers, change attitudes and find a cure.

Also, thank you for your continuing donations of non-perishable items to the Nightshelter.

Notices

Welcome to our Family Service, 'Preparing for Lent', which will be taken by the Vicar, who will also lead Evensong tonight.



Our next **Company for Lunch** is on Wednesday when we will celebrate Valentine's Day. Please ring Chris on 713097 to book your place. £7.50 pp; BYOB and enjoy some good company and good food.

During February, the Vicar will be collecting **last year's palm crosses** to burn and make the ash for this year's Ashing Service on Ash Wednesday—
1st March, 7.30 pm at Owslebury.



LENT COURSE 2017 - The Bible

Five Sessions held on Mondays, 6th March - 3rd April
Holy Trinity Church Rooms 11am

The Bible is one of the most influential books in the world. It has influenced films and plays, literature, art and music. So great is its influence on the Western world that it can be difficult to understand some of these properly without a working knowledge of the Bible's contents. We read the Bible because by doing so, we believe that we will hear God speaking and learn more about who God is and what God has done for us.

This year we will be undertaking in our annual Lent Course, a broad ranging study of the Bible, looking at what it is, what it covers, what it offers not only about God, but also about ourselves.

Sign-up sheets will be placed at the back of church so you can indicate your interest.

This year's Women's World Day of Prayer is written by the Christian women of the Republic of the Philippines, a sovereign island country situated in the western Pacific Ocean. The Theme of the Service is 'Am I being unfair to you?' It will take place at the Methodist Church, Spring Lane, Colden Common at **7.30 pm on Friday 3rd March.** Everyone is invited – old and young, men and women. If you would like to take part and do a reading, please let Elaine know. **NB Singing rehearsal today, at the Methodist Church from 11.30 am. All invited to go along and learn the new songs.**

There will not be a Lent Super Soup Lunch at Twyford this year, but soup will be available to take away at the Bring and Buy stall, in aid of Christian Aid, at the Snowdrop Saturday sale on 25th March.

Please see the February magazine for details of Lent Lunches being held in the Benefice for Winchester GoLD

Please take this notice sheet home with you if you wish, as an aid for your personal prayers during the week or to look up the readings before next Sunday's Service.