

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 19th February 2017

Second 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

1st : Genesis 1.1 – 2.3

2nd : Romans 8. 18 – 25

Gospel: Matthew 6. 25 – 34

Collect

**Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Our ministry team Helen O’Sullivan in Ordination training
------------	--

The Parish	Aspen Close, Lime Close and Hawthorn Close
------------	---

The sick	Jean Farmery
Those in our long term prayers	Audrey Pallett

The Departed	Isobel Melville	Irene Roots
	Phyllis Brooks	Gillian Denly
	Tracey Guppy	Jean Cummins

Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Vera Spragg
--	-------------

Events

Monday	12.00 pm	Funeral Service : Phyllis Brooks
Tuesday	12.15 pm	Funeral Service ; Gillian Denly
	7.30 pm	Bells
Sunday 26 th	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
		Sunday next before Lent
		Readings for the Eucharist
		1 st : Exodus 24. 12 – 18
		2 nd : 2 Peter 1. 16 – 21
		Gospel :Matthew 17. 1 – 9
	12.45 pm	Baptism : Jenson Richards
	6.00 pm	Evensong

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.

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.

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

The Vicar will preside at this morning’s Parish Eucharist. He will also preside next Sunday morning and Gillian will lead Evensong next week.

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.



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 - **25th February (not March).**

LENT COURSE 2017 - The Bible

Five Sessions held on Mondays, 6th March - 3rd April
Holy Trinity Church Rooms 11.00 am.

The Bible is one of the most influential books in the world. 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 a broad ranging study of the Bible. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church now.

This year’s Women’s World Day of Prayer is



written by the Christian women of the Republic of the Philippines. The Theme of the Service is ‘Am I being unfair to you?’ 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.

Our next **Company for Lunch** will be on Wednesday 15th March when we will celebrate Birthdays. Please ring Chris on 713097 to book your place. £7.50 pp; BYOB and enjoy some good company and good food.

A message from Helen O’Sullivan : Just to let you know that Trinity College will be on Songs of Praise this Sunday (5pm BBC1.) It is a special programme marking the 25th anniversary of the vote for women’s ordination. They interviewed a few female ordinands and there are some clips of college life. I think I managed to avoid the cameras but thought you might like the chance to see where I am studying.

There are copies of the March issue of ‘Living the Mission’ at the back of the church – with a short article on the BCM programme and a snippet from Helen O’Sullivan

Dates for your diary

Open gardens 25th March 11 am – 4 pm
Big breakfast 8th April in the church rooms
See posters for details