

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 12th March 2017

Second Sunday of 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 12. 1 – 4a
 2nd : Romans 4. 1 – 5, 13 – 17
 Gospel : John 3. 1 – 17

Collect

**Almighty God,
 by the prayer and discipline of Lent
 may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
 and by following in his Way
 come to share in his glory;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Jonah and our Ministry Team	
	Helen O'Sullivan in Ordination training	
To be baptised	William Miles Hendrick Parsons	
The Parish	Main Road	
The sick	Jean Farmery	John Mccoriston
The Departed	Jo Tuddenham	
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	William Kane	Rita Meeks

Events

Today	12.45 pm	Baptism : William Parsons
	6.00 pm	Evensong
Monday	11.00 am	Lent Course
Tuesday	2.00 pm	Family Service Planning Group
	7.30 pm	Bells
Wednesday	12.15 pm	Company for Lunch
Sunday 19 th	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
		3 rd Sunday of Lent
		Readings for the Eucharist
		1 st : Exodus 17. 1 – 7
		2 nd : Romans 5. 1 – 11
		Gospel : John 4. 5 – 42
	12.45 pm	Baptism : Isabelle Lydia Handley

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 March we shall collect for the Winchester Trinity Centre. The March magazine article gives an insight into their vision and values.

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

Notices

The Vicar will preside at our Parish Eucharist this morning and Gillian will Deacon and preach.

Evensong will be taken by the Vicar.

Next Sunday, Peter Lippiett will preside at our Eucharist.

LENT COURSE 2017 - The Bible

Continuing tomorrow with the second session – it isn't too late to come along.

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.

The Electoral Roll Officer Trevor Piper will be **updating the Church Electoral Roll for 2017** over the next few weeks in order to present an authentic list to the PCC before the AGM. If you are not on the Roll but wish to be included or you wish your name to be withdrawn, then please speak to Trevor or one of the Church Wardens Elaine or Sylvia.



Our next **Company for Lunch** will be this coming 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.

Lent Lunches (Soup, bread and cheese) for the charity Winchester GoLD have now started. Ann Couldrey will be hosting one at Crowdhill Farmhouse SO50 7HH between 12 and 2pm on Friday 17th March. Please support the event if you can. Details of all lunches are on the benefice calendar in the magazine.

Open gardens and Plant Sale 25th March 11 am – 4 pm. Tickets available now from Pam Glasspool. £3 for gardens. Yew Tree Cottage, Spring Lane; Dragonfly and Lilac Cottage, Hill Lane; 8 Springfields Close. £5 for Lunch at 8 Springfields Close.

Jane's Big breakfast 8th April in the church rooms. Please pre-book with Jane if possible. Proceeds to the Loo Project. See posters for details

We shall be holding a Benefice/Ecumenical **Passover Supper** on Maundy Thursday – 7 pm, 13th April in the church rooms, followed by a Gethsemane Watch in the church. Ticket are available now from Jane or Elaine £7.50 to include 2 glasses of wine at the meal.

