

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 11th February 2018

The Sunday next before Lent Year B

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

1st : 2Kings 2. 1 – 12
 2nd : 2Corinthians 4. 3 – 6
 Gospel : Mark 9. 2 – 9

Collect

**Holy God,
 you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
 set straight our crooked hearts,
 and bend our wills to love your goodness
 and your glory
 in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Plans for the interview days. Helen O’Sullivan in ordination training	
The Parish	Aspen Close, Lime Close and Hawthorn Close	
The Sick	Jean Reader Mo Alderman	Peter Griffin Margery Knight
The Departed	Nellie Cousens	
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Phyllis Ray	

Events

Today	6.00 pm	Evensong
Tuesday	7.30 pm	Bells
Wednesday	12.15 pm	Company for Lunch
	2.30 pm	Holy Communion Spring House
	7.30 pm	Benefice Eucharist with Ashing at St Andrew’s Owslebury
Friday 16 th	12.30 pm	Lent Lunch
Sunday 18 th	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
		First Sunday of Lent
		Readings
		1 st : Genesis 9. 8 – 17
		2 nd : 1Peter 3. 18 – 22
		Gospel : Mark 1. 9 – 15

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.

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

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 a churchwarden. It is better to receive the information more than once than not at all.

Special Charity

From January, we are making a concerted effort to support Winchester Nightshelter throughout the year, instead of various charities (with the exception of Christian Aid, BLESMA and the Children’s Society in May, November and December respectively).

Notices

Welcome to today’s Family Service.
 Jane will lead Evensong tonight.

The next **Benefice Prayer** gathering - praying for our benefice during the interregnum - will take place at 5 pm on Saturday 24th February at Owslebury.

Suggested prayer for the interregnum: God our Father, we thank you for calling us to be the Body of Christ in our parishes. May your Holy Spirit continue to enable us through this time of change. Guide those responsible for choosing our new incumbent, be with whoever you have called to consider us as their place of ministry, and bless that person who will eventually come to enable all our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

On Tuesday 20th February the three candidates who will be coming for interview for the post of Incumbent will be attending Evensong at St Mary’s Twyford at 6 pm.
Everyone is welcome to attend – not to interrogate, but to give moral support to the interview process, the candidates and the panel. Please try to car share if possible.

Our next **Company for Lunch**, will be ‘Valentines’ themed this WEDNESDAY 14th February (NB change of week). Please book soon, to avoid disappointment, with Chris – 01962 713097.



This year’s Lent Course - Monday mornings in the church rooms or Wednesday evenings at the Methodist Church. Details in the magazine; sign up on the list at the back of the church.

Today is the last chance to hand in **last year’s palm crosses** to make the ash for our Ash Wednesday Eucharist at St Andrew’s Owslebury at 7.30 pm on 14th February. Please leave them at the back of the church or give to one of the churchwardens.



This year’s **Women’s World Day of Prayer** Service will take place on Friday 2nd March at 7.30 pm at the Methodist Church. If you would like to read a part, please contact Elaine.

Open invitation to a LENT LUNCH !!! in aid of **Home-Start, Winchester Soup, bread & cheese - guest speaker** No need to book (suggested minimum donation £5) **Friday February 16th, 12.30 - 2pm in Morestead by kind permission of Johnny and Clare Criswell, at West Morestead House, SO21 1LZ Tel. 01962 777377** From Twyford, drive to the end of Hazeley Road. Turn right onto the Morestead/ Corhampton Road, then immediately next right onto Jackmans Hill. Go uphill 400 yds to a break in the trees on your right with a small brick & flint wall, signed West Morestead House