

# Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## The First Sunday of 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

1<sup>st</sup> : Genesis 9. 8 – 17  
 2<sup>nd</sup> : 1Peter 3. 18 – 22  
 Gospel : Mark 1. 9 – 15

### Collect

**Almighty God,  
 your Son battled with the powers of darkness,  
 and grew closer to you in the desert:  
 help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer  
 that we may witness to your saving love  
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.      Amen**



### We pray for

Our Church	Interview Panel and Candidates Helen O'Sullivan in ordination training Lent Course leader and participants
The Parish	St Vigor Way, Scotts Close and Vears Lane
The Sick	Jean Reader                      Mo Alderman Margery Knight
The Departed	Peter Griffin
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time	Vera Spragg                      Sunniva Kelly John Budden                      Irene Ray Irene Shreeve

### Events

Monday	11.00 am	Lent Course in church rooms
Tuesday	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer at Twyford</b>
Wednesday	8.30 am	Interviews until 3pm
	7.30 pm	Evening Session of Lent Course
Thursday	7.30 pm	Deanery Synod at Weeke
Friday	12.30 pm	Lent Lunch in Twyford
Saturday	5.00 pm	Benefice Prayers at Owslebury
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
		Second Sunday of Lent
		Readings 1 <sup>st</sup> : Genesis 17. 1 – 7, 15 – 16 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Romans 4. 13 – 25 Gospel : Mark 8. 31 – 38
	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.

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.

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. Thank you also for the non-perishable goods left in the box at the back of the church.

### Notices

Lent is a time for personal reflection. Please sit quietly before the service begins. The choir and clergy will not process in.

This morning we welcome Rev'd Arthur Croad from the Clerical Registry who will preside at our Parish Eucharist. Next Sunday, Gillian will lead Communion by Extension and take Evensong.

The next **Benefice Prayer** gathering - praying for our benefice during the interregnum - will take place at 5 pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 whomever 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 the three candidates coming for interview for the post of Incumbent will be attending Evening Prayer 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.**

**This year's Lent Course** – 'On the Third Day' begins tomorrow - Monday mornings in the church rooms at 11 am or Wednesday evenings at the Methodist Church at 7.30 pm. Details in the magazine.

This year's **Women's World Day of Prayer** Service will take place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30 pm at the Methodist Church. **All** welcome



There will be a very short graveside **burial service for Peter Griffin** in the churchyard at 11.45 on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>. (Please gather in the church beforehand). All welcome. His **Thanksgiving Service** will take place on at 2.45 pm at the Methodist Church. Carol and Family invite anyone to join them at either or both of the services.

Our next **Company for Lunch**, will be 'Greek' themed on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Please book soon, with Chris – 01962 713097.



**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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 12.30 -2.00pm in Twyford at Bramley, Roman Road, Twyford, SO21 1QW.

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