

Holy Trinity Church, Colden Common – 4th March 2018

The Third 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

1st : Exodus 20. 1 – 17
 2nd : 1Corinthians 1. 18 – 25
 Gospel : John 2, 13 – 22

Collect

**God for whom we watch and wait,
 you sent John the Baptist
 to prepare the way of your Son:
 give us courage to speak the truth,
 to hunger for justice,
 and to suffer for the cause of right,
 with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We pray for

Our Church	Benefice Church Wardens Helen O’Sullivan in ordination training Lent Course leader and participants	
The Parish	Main Road	
The Sick	Susan Butt Jean Reader	Roy Williams Margery Knight
The Departed	Thomas Kane	
Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time		
	Danny Gilbert Deakie Matthews	Alicia Marshall

Events

Monday	11.00 am	Lent Course in church rooms
Tuesday	1.15 pm	Loo Project Meeting
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Evening Session of Lent Course
Friday	2.00 pm	Benefice Wardens’ Meeting
Sunday 11 th	9.45 am	Family Service Mothering Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent Readings 1 st : Numbers 21. 4 – 9 2 nd : Ephesians 2. 1 – 10 Gospel : John 3, 14 – 21
	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

In 2018, 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 and remain seated. The choir and clergy will not process in.

This morning Gillian will lead Communion by Extension and Max will preach.

Next Sunday is **Mothering Sunday** and our Family Service at 9.45 am will celebrate the love of all carers as well as our mothers. Gillian will lead Evensong.



Well done and thank you to everyone who made it to the Women’s World Day of Prayer Service at the Methodist church last Friday evening.

The next **Benefice Prayer** gathering - praying for our benefice during the interregnum - will take place at 5 pm on Saturday 24th March 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; be with whomever you have called to accept us as their place of ministry and bless them until they will eventually come to enable all our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

This year’s Lent Course – ‘On the Third Day’ continues on Monday mornings in the church rooms at 11 am or Wednesday evenings at the Methodist Church at 7.30 pm. Details in the magazine.

Trevor Piper, our Electoral Roll Officer, will begin the **Annual Revision of our Electoral Roll** from 7th March, before our APCM (on Wednesday 18th April at 7.30 pm in the church rooms). If you are not on the Roll, but would like to be included, or if for some reason you wish your name to be withdrawn, please inform Trevor or one of the churchwardens. Many thanks.

Our next **Company for Lunch**, will be ‘Greek’ themed on Wednesday 21st March. Please book soon, with Chris – 01962 713097.



29th July 2018 marks the 175th Anniversary of the Dedication of Holy Trinity. If you have any ideas on how you would like to see the Anniversary celebrated, please contact one of the church wardens.

For details of our Easter Services, please see the March Parish Magazine.

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