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The Parish Church of All Saints St Ives

8 March 2020: the Second Sunday of Lent

SERVICES TODAY

09.00Morning Prayer10.15Sung Parish Eucharist



Services and events for this Week

Monday to Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.00

9 Mon	09.30	Holy Communion
	19.30	Bell-ringing Practice
10 Tues	09.30	Healing Mass
	19.30	Lent Course - Spirituality Matters
11 Wed	09.30	Requiem Mass
12 Thurs	09.30	Eucharist for MU
	19.00	Choir Practice
13 Fri	09.30	Reconciliation Mass
	12.00	Rosary Hour

NEXT SUNDAY, 15 March: the Third Sunday of Lent

10.15	Parish Eucharist
16.00	Contemplative Prayer

Please take this booklet with you when you leave

Welcome to All Saints today

If you are new or just visiting, please do stay in Church after the service for coffee and fellowship.

Throughout this booklet, where indications for posture are given, please treat these as being for guidance only. Should it suit you better to adopt an alternative posture, please feel free to do so.

Large print copies and gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to a steward if you need either of these.

Please use the time BEFORE the SERVICE to TALK TO GOD and wait until AFTER the SERVICE to TALK TO EACH OTHER

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK: Jo Rogers, Pat Etherington, Sophie Cockcroft, Peter Smith, Phillip, Harriet, and all who are sick and housebound

THE DEPARTED: Brenda Smith, Frederick Coupland, Roberta (Bobbie) Heather

YEAR'S MIND: William Bennett (12th), Marion Steele (12th), Michael Barrett (14th), Aubrey Seymour (14th), Robert White (14th), Christine Stephens (14th)

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<u>APCM Reports</u> Could all those who are responsible for writing APCM reports and who haven't already, please send your completed reports for year ending 31 December 2019, preferably by email to office.stives@gmail.com

Dropbox We will shortly be changing the way that Dropbox operates in terms of our parish administration. You will be unable to access Dropbox when we switch, Please email vicar.stives@gmail.com if you are a regular user or need access, to ensure you get the correct login details to avoid difficulties.

<u>The Sacristy Door Code</u> will shortly be changing, if you a regular user please look out for an email with updated details.

Annual Meeting of Parishioners (AMP) and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

These will take place on the evening of Tuesday 21 April starting at 19.30. The AMP will elect two new churchwardens and the APCM will elect <u>two</u> people to serve on Deanery Synod and <u>six</u> to serve on the Parochial Church Council. It will also receive the annual accounts, a report on the fabric and reports of other activities of general interest.

Change of phone number

With immediate effect, the phone number for Fr Mark with regard to church matters will be: 07308 675777.

In his absence this phone will be answered by another church official.

New appointment

We are pleased to announce that Fr Alex has been appointed Priest in Charge of the United Benefice of Finchingfield, Cornish Hall End and Wethersfield with Shalford in the Diocese of Chelmsford. His last Sunday at All Saints will be 17 May. His licensing is expected to be the evening of Tuesday 9 June but this still subject to confirmation. Please let the Churchwardens know if you would be interested in All Saints booking a coach for you.

NOTICES

Lent Discipline In the history of the Church Lent has traditionally been a time of self examination and study, followed by spiritual guidance and/or confession. Fr Mark will be pleased to see anyone who feels they would like to have a confidential talk on a one-to-one basis. This can be as formal or informal as you wish and can cover any of the aforementioned topics. It is suggested that 15 or 30 minutes would be a reasonable time in the first instance with follow-up sessions if needed. Please contact Fr Mark to make an appointment.

While we resist temptation, it remains fascinating, alluring, dangerous. It is when we admit the reality of what tempts us that it can be converted into a strength, because it looses its power over us. It becomes not our master, but our servant. In Matthew's account of Christ's temptations, we see something of the process by which Jesus achieved this, and presumably taught his disciples. It shows that sin, as Paul reminded the church at Rome, has to be worked for; but grace comes as a free gift!

New Collection plates You may have noticed that we are using some new plates with a built in Card Reader. This is a temporary measure while brass ones in memory of Pru and Reg Pegram are being made. As soon as these arrive we will dedicate them in their memory as part of the legacy they kindly left to the church.

Spirituality Matters On Tuesday evening this week our guest speaker will be the Archdeacon of Cambridge. The Ven. Alex Hughes, who will be leading us into conversation around Spirituality and Politics, followed by questions and discussion.

Please invite neighbours and friends to attend.

Flowers for Mothering Sunday You are invited to make a contribution towards the cost of providing the flowers for Mothering Sunday. This need not be a large amount, but something which could perhaps be part of your Lenten discipline.

¶ Please stand when the bell is rung for the Processional Hymn

Leave your country and your people, Leave your family and your friends, Travel to the land he'll show you, God will bless the one he sends.

Sometimes God's Word is demanding, Leave security you know, Breaking ties and bonds that hold you When the voice of God says: 'Go'. *Leave your country...*

Take the path into the desert, Barren seems the rock and sand, God will lead you through the desert When you follow his command. *Leave your country...*

Go with courage up the mountain, Climb the narrow, rocky, ledge; Leave behind all things that hinder, Go with only God as pledge. *Leave your country...*

Words: Willard Francis Jabusch (b.1930) Tune *Pleading Saviour*: Joshua Leavitt (1794–1873)

¶ Remain standing for the **Invocation and Greeting**

⁺ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

¶ Please sit or kneel for the Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

> *¶ Please sit or kneel for the* **Introit** (the Lent Prose) *Repeat the Response after the Cantor:*



- Cantor: O Chief corner- stone, Right Hand of the Father, Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial: Cleanse our sinful souls from all defilement.
- All: Hear us, O Lord (as above, once only)

¶ Remain seated or kneeling for the Prayers of Penitence

The Deacon says the Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.** For the love of God is broader Than the measure of our mind, And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind. There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

Souls of men! why will ye scatter Like a crowd of frightened sheep? Foolish hearts! why will ye wander From a love so true and deep? It is God: his love looks mighty, But is mightier than it seems; 'Tis our Father: and his fondness Goes far out beyond our dreams.

But we make his love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify his strictness With a zeal he will not own. If our love were but more simple, We should take him at his word; And our lives would be all gladness, In the joy of Christ our Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814 – 1863) Tune *Corvedale*: Maurice Bevan (1921 – 2006)

¶ Remain standing for the **Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ Thanks be to God.

In accordance with an ancient tradition, there are no Organ Voluntaries during Lent, except on the Fourth Sunday.

¶ The Dismissal

¶ Remain standing for the Notices and Banns of Marriage

¶ Remain standing for the **Blessing**

The Lord be with you and also with you.

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; And the blessing of God Almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Rest on you now and remain with you always **Amen.**

¶ Remain standing for the Final Hymn

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in his justice Which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heaven: There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.

There is welcome for the sinner, And more graces for the good; There is mercy with the Saviour; There is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss. Almighty God, long-suffering and of great goodness: I confess to you, I confess with my whole heart my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments, my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking; the hurts I have done to others, and the good I have left undone. O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you; and raise me to newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Almighty God,

who forgives all who truly repent,

have mercy upon you, † pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Please stand for the Collect

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words Let us pray.

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

¶ Please sit for the First Reading (Genesis 12: 1-4a)

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

¶ Remain seated for the **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 121) *and join in singing the Response*



Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. *(Response)*

May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. *(Response)* Jesu, grant me this, I pray, Ever in thy heart to stay; Let me evermore abide Hidden in thy wounded side.

If the evil one prepare, Or the world, a tempting snare, I am safe when I abide In thy heart and wounded side.

If the flesh, more dangerous still, Tempt my soul to deeds of ill, Naught I fear when I abide In thy heart and wounded side.

Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from thee: Dying let me still abide In thy heart and wounded side.

Words *Dignare me, O Jesu, rogo te*: Anon. (17th century), translated by Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877) Tune *Song 13*: Orlando Gibbon (1583–1625)

¶ Please stand for the **Prayer after Communion**

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words Let us pray.

Almighty God,

you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Distribution of the Sacrament

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Anyone who has been baptised In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and wishes to receive the love of the Lord Jesus in their life, is welcome to receive communion at this service. If you wish to come for a blessing only, please bring this booklet with you to indicate that this is your preference.

National advice from the Church of England at the current time in respect of the threat posed by COVID-19 is that the risk to individuals remains low. At present, there is no Government advice to suggest that the use of the Common Cup should be suspended.

Churches should already be following best hygiene practices which include advising parishioners with coughs and sneezes to receive Communion in one kind only. Intinction is not recommended because it poses a danger of infection; it could also be harmful to those who are coeliac.

Gluten-free wafers will be distributed from the High Altar only.

¶ Please join in singing the **Communion Hymns**

- Choir only: Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour, Word of the Father, calling us to life; Son of God who leads us to freedom, Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
- Cantor: You are the one whom prophets hoped and longed for, You are the one who speaks to us to-day, You are the one who leads us to our future: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
- All: Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour, Word of the Father, calling us to life; Son of God who leads us to freedom, Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. *(Response)*

The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. *(Response)*

¶ Remain seated for the Second Reading (Romans 4: 1–5, 13–17)

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

\P Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

and turn towards the Gospel reader

Please repeat the Response after the Cantor:



Cantor:Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.All:Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
(as above, once only)

¶ Remain standing for the Gospel Reading (John 3: 1–17)

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end of the Gospel the reader says: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

¶ Please sit for the Sermon

Revd Fr Alex Shannon (Assistant Priest)

¶ Please stand for the Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

Please bow for the next three lines:

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ Please sit or kneel for the Prayers of Intercession

To the bidding Lord, meet us in the silence. *Please respond by saying* **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers the Priest introduces a period for silent reflection and says a concluding prayer.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

\P Remain standing for the Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

\P Remain standing for the Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God Behold him who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

¶ Please sit or kneel for the Lamb of God

Plainsong (12th Century)



Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:



Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

¶ Remain standing for the Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

¶ Please stand for the Peace

Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil. As far as it lies with you, live at peace with everyone.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

Owing to the situation with COVID-19 you are asked not to move around and shake hands at the present time. A simple nod to your neighbour is sufficient and avoids the risk of spreading any infection.

¶ Remain standing to sing the Offertory Hymn

A collection is taken for the mission and upkeep of the Church. The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

> O love, how deep, how broad, how high! How passing thought and fantasy, That God, the Son of God, should take Our mortal form for mortals' sake.

He sent no angel to our race Of higher or of lower place, But wore the robe of human frame, And he himself to this world came.

For us baptised, for us he bore His holy fast, and hungered sore; For us temptations sharp he knew; For us the tempter overthrew. For us he prayed, for us he taught, For us his daily works he wrought: By words and signs and actions thus Still seeking, not himself, but us.

For us to wicked men betrayed, Scourged, mocked, in crown of thorns arrayed; For us he bore the cross's death; For us at length gave up His breath.

For us he rose from death again, For us he went on high to reign, For us he sent his Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All honour, laud and glory be, O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee, All glory, as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

Words O amor quam extaticus: Anon. (15th century), sometimes attributed to St Thomas à Kempis (c.1380–1471), translated by Benjamin Webb (1819–1885)
Tune Eisenach: Melody by Bartholomäus Gesius (c.1555–1613), adapted by Johann Hermann Schein (1586–1630), harmonised by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

¶ Remain standing for the Prayer Over the Gifts

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, cleanse us of our faults and sanctify your faithful in body and mind for the celebration of the paschal festivities. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks because you give us the spirit of discipline, that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace, as we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:



All glory be to you, our heavenly Father who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.