

All Saints: The Parish Church of St Ives

Welcome to All Saints' today

8 March 2026

The Third Sunday of Lent



SERVICES TODAY

10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.05

9 Mon	19.00	Bellringing Practice
10 Tues	10–12	Community Café in Church
12 Thurs	19.30	Choir Practice
13 Fri	10–12	Community Café in Church
	19.30	Stations of the Cross
	21.00	Compline (Zoom 818 0346 5483 & Ma55)

NEXT SUNDAY, 15 March: the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)

10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist

16.00 Contemplative Prayer

Please take this booklet with you when you leave

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

*Please note that wherever indications for posture are given in this booklet,
they are 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 ask 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:

Sylvia Boyce, Dorothy Goodhew, Liz Hughes, Christopher Jackson,
Sally Jackson, Richard Johnson, Harold Marie, Mike Tassell,
Karina Woods, Jonathan Young (priest), Brandon

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Christine Eckhart, Andrew Watson (bishop)

90th BIRTHDAY:

Ena Rose (12th)

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¶ *Stand when the bell is rung for the* **Processional Hymn**

In the cross of Christ I glory.
Towering o'er the wrecks of time,
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me:
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

Words: John Bowring (1792–1872)

Tune *Wychbold*: Walter Greenville Whitefield (1865–1919)

¶ *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.

¶ *Kneel or sit 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.

¶ *Remain kneeling or seated for the* **Prayers of Penitence**

A minister 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.

Let us pray to the Lord our God, that we may not give in to temptation.

Lord Jesus, in our affliction and trials we keep trusting in you:



Cantor: Lord, _____ have mer - cy.

All: Lord, _____ have mer - cy.

Lord Jesus, we are your servants.

You have set us free from the bonds of sin:



Cantor: Christ, _____ have mer - cy.

All: **Christ**, _____ **have mer - cy.**

Lord Jesus, you are God's beloved Son.

We want to listen to you and follow you:



Cantor: Lord, _____ have mer - cy.

All: **Lord**, _____ **have mer - cy.**

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.**

¶ *Stand for the* **Collect**

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

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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**

¶ *Sit for the* **First Reading** (Exodus 17:1–7)

At the end the reader says:

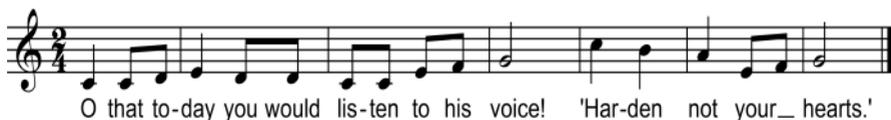
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 95)

and join in singing the Response

Response and Chant: MHE



Come, ring out our joy to the Lord,
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us praise the Lord. (*Response*)

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us,
for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (*Response*)

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (*Response*)

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Second Reading** (Romans 5:1–11)

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¶ *Stand for the* **Gospel Acclamation**

and turn towards the Gospel reader



Cantor: Lord, you are really the saviour of the world:
give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty.
All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Gospel** (John 4:5–42)

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.

¶ *Sit for the* **Sermon**

The Revd Andrew Body.

¶ *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.**

It is customary to bow for the next paragraph

**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.**

¶ *Kneel or sit for the* **Prayers of Intercession**

To the bidding Lord of compassion
please respond by saying **In your mercy hear us.**

At the end of the Intercessions the priest introduces a period for silent reflection and says a concluding prayer.

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

¶ *Stand for the* **Peace**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Offertory Hymn**

*A collection is taken for the mission and upkeep of the Church.
The Altar is prepared and gifts of bread and wine are placed on it.*

Christian, dost thou see them
On the holy ground,
How the troops of Midian
Prowl and prowl around?
Christian, up and smite them,
Counting gain but loss;
Smite them by the merit
Of the holy Cross.

Christian, dost thou feel them,
How they work within,
Striving, tempting, luring,
Goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
Never be down-cast;
Smite them by the virtue
Of the Lenten fast.

(Continued overleaf)

Christian, dost thou hear them,
How they speak thee fair?
'Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?'
Christian, answer boldly,
'While I breathe I pray:'
Peace shall follow battle,
Night shall end in day.

'Well I know thy trouble,
O my servant true;
Thou art very weary,
I was weary too;
But that toil shall make thee
Some day all mine own,
And the end of sorrow
Shall be near my throne.'

Words: John Mason Neale (1818–1866), purportedly based on a lost
7th or 8th century Greek text

Tune *Gute Bäume Bringen*: Peter Sohren (c.1630–c.1692)

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Prayer Over the Gifts**

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love; accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *Remain standing throughout the* **Eucharistic Prayer (F)**



The Lord be_ with you **And al - so_ 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._

You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all things have come into being. You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight.

Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own. Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and singing:

Plainsong (13th Century)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of power and might.



Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho-san-na in the high-est.



Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:



Ho - san - na in___ the___ high - est.

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness.

Amen. Lord, we believe.

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

Amen. Lord, we believe.

On the night he gave up himself for us all he 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.

Amen. Lord, we believe.

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.

Amen. Lord, we believe.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

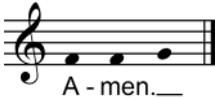
Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Apostles, the Martyrs and all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in 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.



¶ *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.
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.

¶ Remain standing for the **Breaking of the Bread**

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

¶ Remain standing for the **Invitation to Communion**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ Kneel or sit for the **Lamb of God**

Plainsong (12th Century)



Distribution of the Sacrament

*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 are worried about receiving the Chalice, please remember
that making your Communion in one kind is entirely valid.*

We ask you not to dip the wafer into the chalice.

*Alternatively you may wish to come for a blessing: please keep your hands
down and your head bowed to indicate that this is your preference.*

¶ *Remain kneeling or seated for the* **Communion Hymn**

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

O, master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness ever joy.

O, master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving of ourselves that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Words: Sebastian Temple (1928–1997), based on a prayer of St Francis of Assisi
Tune *Channel of Peace*: Sebastian Temple

¶ *Stand for the* **Prayer after Communion**

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

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *The Dismissal*

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Notices**

¶ *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* **Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ
Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Final Hymn**

Be thou my guardian and my guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.

Words: Isaac Willams (1802–1865)

Tune *Abridge*: Isaac Smith (c.1734–1805)

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

NOTICES

Spring Cleaning

The Churchwardens have arranged some spring cleaning this week to tidy the church up ready for Easter. We will be doing a high level clean on Tuesday lunchtime followed by a low level clean on Saturday morning. If you are able to help with these please let us know.

The **Annual Meeting of Parishioners (AMP)** followed by the **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** takes place on Sunday, 10 May after the 10.15 service. This year we will have vacancies for two Deanery Synod Representatives and two PCC members. Nomination forms will follow in due course.

Churches Together in Saint Ives Walk of Witness

The CTSI Walk of Witness returns this year on Good Friday. Starting at All Saints at 11.00 a.m., we process into town, via the Methodist Church, for an act of worship outside the Free Church. All are welcome to join in. In particular, we are looking for volunteers to act as marshals for the walk, someone to carry the cross out of All Saints towards the Methodist Church and a couple of volunteers to lead a reading and prayer before we set off. Please speak to Callum if you would like to be involved.

Easter Lilies: Donations towards the cost of decorating the church with lilies at Easter are invited, especially from those who may wish to remember a departed loved one in this way. There is a collecting tub by the door for the money and a list for the names of those to be remembered, which will be printed up and left on display throughout the season. If you wish to pay by card then please use the 'Easter Lilies' option on the large white terminal by the door.

Sir John Rutter: Confessions of a Composer

We are delighted that Sir John Rutter will be visiting us on Saturday 25 April, 19.30 to 21.30, to talk about his life and musical career including commentary on some of his recorded works. We are highly fortunate to have his services due to his worldwide reputation and his busy life as a composer and conductor, and we expect this event to be a sellout. Tickets available on TicketSource for £15.00 plus booking fee on a first come, first served basis. A wine bar and grand raffle will again be held.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-ives-parish-church/t-plllnrx>

Forthcoming dates

Please note these in your diary:

15 March **Mothering Sunday** (next Sunday)

25 March 14.30 Eucharist for the Feast of the Annunciation

29 March **Palm Sunday:** Service starts at 10.15

30 March – 1 April Monday to Wednesday in Holy Week
21.00 Compline with Address

2 April **Maundy Thursday**

10.30 Chrism Eucharist at Ely Cathedral

20.00 Commemoration of the Last Supper
with Reception of Holy Oils and Washing of
Feet, followed by Keeping of the Watch

3 April **Good Friday**

11.00 Walk of Witness

14.00 Liturgy of Good Friday

19.30 *Maria Desolata*

4 April **Holy Saturday (Easter Eve)**

20.30 Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

5 April **Easter Day**

10.15 Sung Eucharist

CONTACT DETAILS

If you would like to know more of what is happening in your parish, please visit the calendar on the parish website www.stivesparishchurch.org.uk or contact us:

The parish is in vacancy; please contact the one of the following to enquire about the services of the church

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General Enquiries and items for inclusion in the sheet

should be directed to admin@stivesparishchurch.org.uk

Requests for Baptisms, Marriages (including Banns) and Funerals:
please look on the website

Musical enquires (to join the choir or to discuss wedding music)

please contact music@stivesparishchurch.org.uk

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