

**PARISH CHURCH of SAINT ANNE**  
**Sunday, 8th March 2020**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**We Welcome Children and Families!**

We especially welcome any visitors or newcomers here today. Please do introduce yourself after the Service. Don't worry if children make a little noise, there are toy bags & books available for them. Toilets and changing facilities are available at the back of Church. Please ask the sidespeople for directions.

**Collections & Donations**

Text giving available up to £20. Text SAPCxx to 70085, e.g. SAPC05 for £5 or SAPC20 for £20. For cash on the Collection Plate, taxpayers please use a yellow Gift Aid envelope. Contactless Donation Station also now available.

**5.00OUR WORSHIP AND DIARY FOR THIS WEEK**

*and intentions for prayer in italics*

**Today:** 8.00 am Said Eucharist  
 10.15 am Children's Church Parish Rooms  
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
 6.30 pm Evening Prayer

**Mon 9th** *Musicians purple page 162*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 10.00 am Pilgrims Coffee Stop, Parish Rooms  
 12 noon Eucharist  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7.30 pm Extra-ordinary PCC meeting, Church

**Tue 10th** *Mothers purple page 164*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 10.30 am Eucharist  
 11.30 am Bereavement Visiting Group, Choir Vestry  
 2.00 pm Mothers' Union, Parish Rooms  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7.00 pm Stations of the Cross, Church  
 7.45 pm Lent Course, Choir Vestry

**Wed 11th** *Church order purple page 167*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 9.00 am Eucharist  
 10.30 am Handbell Ringers, Choir Vestry  
 3.00 pm Land & Buildings Committee, Meeting Room  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer

**Thu 12th** *Police Service purple page 169*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 9.00 am Church Cleaning  
 12 noon Lent Lunch, Parish Rooms  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 6.45 pm Eucharist  
 7.30 pm Choir Practice, Church

**Fri 13th** *Confirmation Candidates purple page 172*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 9.05 am Eucharist  
 10.00 am Friday drop-in, Parish Rooms Meeting Room  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7.30 pm Bell Practice, Church

**Sat 14th** *Healing purple page 175*  
 8.45 am Morning Prayer  
 9.30 am Eucharist  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer

**NEXT SUNDAY, 15th March 2020**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**

8.00 am Said Eucharist  
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
 6.30 pm Evensong and Benediction  
**Morning:** Exodus 17. 1-7, Romans 5. 1-11  
**Gospel:** John 4. 5-42

**NOTICES**

Notices for next Sunday's sheet should be with the Parish Office by **WEDNESDAY NOON** at the latest. Notices handed in after this may not be included.

If you are new to St Anne's Church please complete the Welcome Card in the pew and hand it to a Sidesperson.

Would worshippers who are unable to go to the altar to receive Holy Communion please let a Sidesperson know so that they can arrange for Communion to be brought to them.



**WE ARE A GIVING CHURCH:** We donate 10% of our planned-giving income to charity. This year we are supporting the Centre for Legal Aid Assistance and Settlement, North West Blood Bikes, Fylde Coast Women's Aid, St Anne's Friends of Trinity Hospice, the Stroke Association and individual causes identified by the clergy. More information on our website: [www.stannesparishchurch.org](http://www.stannesparishchurch.org)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** in Church on Tuesday at 7.00 pm.

**LENT COURSE** we are exploring what C S Lewis can teach us about the Christian Faith through the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Choir Vestry, Tuesday, 7.45 pm.

**LENT LUNCHES** each Thursday 12.00 - 1.00 pm upstairs in the Parish Rooms. Numbers limited to 24. Profits to Water Aid. Please see Brenda Lyon

**MOTHERS' UNION** meet on Tuesday March 10th at 2pm in the Parish Rooms. Friends welcome.

**ADDITIONAL CURATES SOCIETY (ACS):** Over the last three years we have been grateful for the support of the ACS for the grant provided towards Fr Aiden's expenses. Please help them to support a curate in another parish by taking a Lenten alms box. Thank you. Pam Kinghorn

**LILY FOR A LOVED ONE:** Collection starts today, £3 per lily. Please see Brenda at the back of church. Donations towards other Easter flowers also gratefully accepted. Thanks

**WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE:** Dates for this year's pilgrimage are Monday 14th to Thursday 17th September. Provisional cost subject to numbers going is £275. New Pilgrims very welcome. If interested, please see Gerald Wilson or Kath Hall.

**REAL EASTER EGGS:** There is a list at the back of church to place your order for Real (Fairtrade) Easter Eggs (each box includes an Easter story book). The order will be submitted on 15th March to ensure that the eggs are here in time for Easter.

**BRASS BAND CONCERT:** Eccleston Brass Band will be performing a programme of light music in church on Friday 20th March at 7.45pm. Tickets cost £6 if bought in advance from the Parish Office or from members of the social committee, or £8 if bought on the door. The concert is free for anyone under 16. Refreshments are included in the price

**ELECTORAL ROLL UPDATE** Additions to the Electoral Roll may be submitted up to 29th March for inclusion prior to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April. Forms and a post box together with a map of the parish boundaries are available at the back of Church.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK** This year is Sunday May 10th to Saturday May 16th. It would be good to have a group of collectors again for the house to house collection. If you are able to help please let me know by today.. Last year we collected over £500. Can we do as well or better this time? Many thanks, Ann Fletcher

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**COLLECT AND READINGS FOR THE EUCHARISTS  
TODAY**

**HYMN** 315 Immortal Love

**KYRIE** 952

**COLLECT**

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.

**FIRST READING** *Genesis 12. 1-4a*

The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

**SECOND READING** *Romans 4. 1-5, 13-17*

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations'). Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**GRADUAL HYMN** 487 Oft in danger

**GOSPEL** *John 3. 1-17*

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we

speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

**OFFERTORY HYMN** 642 The God of Abraham

**SANCTUS & AGNUS DEI** 952

**COMMUNION HYMNS** 212 God forgive  
195 From Heaven

**MOTET** God so loved the world  
- John Stainer

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** Lent Prose

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE IN THE PARISH ROOMS  
AFTER THE SERVICE.

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**6.30 pm Evening Prayer**

**Psalm** 135  
**OT Reading** Numbers 21. 4-9  
**NT Reading** Luke 14. 27-33

Topic for discussion: Nicodemus came to Jesus Christ, the light of the world, to illuminate his understanding of God and the things of God; how can you do the same today?

**FOR OUR PRAYERS**

**Those who are sick or in particular need:**

Finley Ashbrook, Julia Bell, Alan Burdekin, Christine, Paul Cairns, Jean Cartmell, Jack Caton, Stella Devine, David Dwyer, Rhiannon Griffiths, Paul Hankinson, Stephen Harding, Ann Hazard, Vivien Holt, Sheila Houldsworth, Eileen Johnstone, Sarah Kinghorn, Joyce Lee, Rosemary Lyon, Iris Orrell, Deborah Pincock, Elizabeth Putman, Sylvia Reader, Alan Swindlehurst, Herbert Waddington, Myra Wilson, Wendy.

**Long term sick and housebound:** Angela Astley, Derek Garner, Margaret Garner, Jean Lister, Claire Parker, Doreen Taylor, Sister Mary Jo Thomas, Marie Warner-Jones, Gwen Wilkinson, Josie Wilkinson.

**The recently departed:** Antony Kevin.

**Please also remember:** Esmae and Evie-May who will be baptised here today..