

**ST ANNES PARISH CHURCH**  
**Sunday, 15th March 2020**  
**Third 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, eg 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.

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

*and intentions for prayer in italics*

- Today:** 8.00 am Said Eucharist  
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
 6.30 pm Evensong & Benediction
- Mon 16th** *Social life purple page 182*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 10.00 am Pilgrims Coffee Stop, Parish Rooms  
 12 noon Eucharist  
 3.00 pm Social & Fundraising Committee, Meeting Room  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer
- Tue 17th** *The people of Ireland*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 10.30 am Eucharist  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7.00 pm Stations of the Cross, Church  
 7.45 pm Lent Course, Choir Vestry
- Wed 18th** *Teaching the Faith*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 9.00 am Eucharist  
 10.30 am Handbell Ringers, Choir Vestry  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer
- Thu 19th** *Workers*  
 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  
 7.00 pm Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage (info evening), Burnley  
 7.30 pm Choir Practice, Church
- Fri 20th** *Conversion of England*  
 7.30 am Morning Prayer  
 9.05 am Eucharist  
 10.00 am Friday drop-in, Parish Rooms Meeting Room  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer  
 7.45 pm Eccleston Brass Band, Church
- Sat 21st** *Liturgy & Worship*  
 8.45 am Morning Prayer  
 9.30 am Eucharist  
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer

**NEXT SUNDAY, 22nd March 2020**  
**Mothering Sunday**

- 8.00 am Said Eucharist  
 10.15 am Children's Church  
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
 4.30 pm Holy Confirmation with +Philip
- Morning:** Exodus 2. 1-10, 2 Corinthians 1. 3-7  
**Gospel:** John 9. 1-41  
**Evening:** 1 Samuel 16. 1-13, Ephesians 5. 8-14

**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 Annes 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)

**CHRISM MASS:** This year this service is being held in St Anne's Parish Church and will be followed by a buffet for those attending. We would be extremely grateful if you could look at the menu and offer to provide any of the items listed. The lists are available at the back of church. Many thanks.

**WW2 GRAVE TRAIL:** I have three graves available for adoption on the WW2 Grave Trail to be set up for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day on 8<sup>th</sup> May. Please see me, if you are interested. Gerald Wilson.

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

**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:** £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.

**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.

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## COLLECT AND READINGS FOR THE EUCHARISTS TODAY

**HYMN** 310, I heard the voice

**KYRIE** 957

### COLLECT

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.

### FIRST READING *Exodus 17. 1-7*

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

### SECOND READING *Romans 5. 1-11*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**GRADUAL HYMN** 161, Father, hear the prayer

### GOSPEL *John 4. 5-42*

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink," you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is

coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' Many Samaritans from that city believed in Jesus because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

**OFFERTORY HYMN** 584, Rock of ages

**SANCTUS & AGNUS DEI** 957

**COMMUNION HYMNS** 618, Steal away  
369, Jesu, thou joy of loving

**MOTET** Turn thee, again -  
Thomas Attwood

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** 252, Guide me, O Thou

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH  
AFTER THE SERVICE.

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### 6.30 pm Evensong & Benediction

**Processional Psalm** 114, Come down, O love divine  
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**OT Reading** Joshua 1. 1-9  
**Office Hymn** 297, How sweet the name of Jesus  
**NT Reading** Ephesians 6. 10-20  
**Anthem** Ave verum - William Byrd  
**Hymn** 714, We hail thy presence  
**Benediction** Leaflet

### 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, 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, Elizabeth Putman.

**Please also remember:** Kathryn who will be baptised here next week and all the confirmation candidates.