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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as most of our regular members are part of our Regular Parish Giving scheme.

It costs over £1,000 per week to run this church

so if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the Regular Parish Giving scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer, Andy Crawford or the church wardens.

Electoral Roll—The Electoral Roll review finishes today. If you are not on the Electoral Roll please complete a form and return it to Mick or one of the churchwardens after the service.

Fair Trade Fortnight finishes today. We have a small stock of fair trade foods and other goods from Traidcraft available for sale at the back of church after the service.

Lent Course—We shall be running a joint Lent Course in our MMU on the theme of the Environment . It will run on Wednesday evenings 7:45 for 8pm moving between the churches and at 1:30pm on Thursday at St. Edmund's after their 12:30 Eucharist and bring and share lunch. Full details are at the back of church. For the Wednesday away sessions I suggest we meet at St. Anne's and share cars.

African-Caribbean evening—This year's African-Caribbean evening will be on Saturday 16th May from 6.30 to 9.30. There will be a short planning session at coffee time on Sunday 15th March - all welcome.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for March: 6th Lily Burnett, 9th Dorothy Rossiter, Joan Page-Webster, 10th Peter Simpson, 11th Florence Digman, 12th Elsie Muscutt, 15th Linda Smith-Pryor, 17th John Barwick, Violet Gibbs, 18th Aglaia Macropoulos, Cyril Ives, 21st Bernice Foster, Anthony Foster, 22nd Kim Runeckles, 23rd Derek Palmer, 24th Betty Crawford, 27th John Wood.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen



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Lent 2—8th March 2020

Parish Eucharist 10.00

Welcomers: Velma Davis, Jenny Miller, Beryl Stratton

Servers: Julie Adesina, Miles Dennis, Jenny Scotchmer

Chalice: Heather Gwynn, Rosalind Tatam

Lessons: Rosalind Tatam
Prayers: Beryl Stratton
Preacher: James Gilder
Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer
Music: Peter Stannard

Hymns:

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9 All my hope on God is founded

715 The King of love my shepherd is87 Breathe on me, Breath of God

170 Father, I place into your hands

772 Thy hand, O God, has guided

(omit vs 3 & 5)



We welcome James Gilder to preach this morning



This week Wed 11th Mar 19:45 Lent Course (St Anne's)
 Thurs 12th Mar 13.30 Lent Course (St Edmund's)
 Fri 13th Mar 10.00 Holy Communion

Sun 16th Mar 10.00 Parish Eucharist

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.

Post Communion

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.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12.1-4a

¹The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I 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.'

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Romans 4.1-5,13-17

¹What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³For 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. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For 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, ¹⁷as 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel John 3.1-17

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All Glory to you, O Lord.

¹There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He 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.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' ⁴Nicodemus 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?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁵Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The 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.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹0</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹'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. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶For 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. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.