



- o This week Anne will be available on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & Friday; Andrew's Sabbath this week is Monday evening with Saturday afternoon & evening.
- o The office will be open Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and all day Friday this week.
- o All members of St Nicolas' are encouraged to share in some part of the Daily Prayer – just go to our website and click on:

CofE Daily Prayers

All weekday services include five minutes of silence – and, except for Friday at 11am, are held in the Loseley Chapel.

MONDAY 12th

10 am Morning Prayer & Eucharist psalm 77 page 681
5 pm Evening Prayer

TUESDAY 13th

8:15 am Morning Prayer
9:45 am Tuesday Group
12:30 pm Christian Meditation Group
5:45 pm Evening Prayer & Eucharist psalm 80 page 688

WEDNESDAY 14th

7:45 am Morning Prayer & Eucharist psalm 90 page 700
10 – 11:30 am Café Play @ St Nic's for parents and children
5 pm Evening Prayer

THURSDAY 15th

8:15 am Morning Prayer
1 pm Midday Prayer & Eucharist psalm 94 page 704
(5:30 pm Choral Evensong at the cathedral – 8pm *Faith Thru Art in Lent : Sleep* – finishing with Compline at 8:30pm)

FRIDAY 16th

10:30am – 1:30pm Lent Lunches in the Community Centre
11-12 Lent Course with simple ecumenical Eucharist
5 pm Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 18th MARCH: FIFTH OF LENT

Passiontide begins
8:15 am Morning Prayer & Eucharist
10 am FAMILY SERVICE
5 pm Julian Meeting
6 pm 'Journey to the Cross' evening liturgy

Notices

All (current) PCC members please note that there will be a brief Emergency Meeting immediately before the APCM next week to formally agree the final terms and cost for the work on the Community Centre to commence.

We are applying for a **faculty to install wrought iron railings and a gate to the Loseley Chapel**. If you would like to see copies of the design, please ask in the office.

"If you would like to contribute towards making the church look wonderful for Easter we are now asking for donations towards flowers. (Maybe you have happy memories of your loved ones at Easter and would like to give something with them in mind or perhaps have a joyful celebration coming up of your own?) Please give your donations to me, leave with the clergy, or church office. We need more flower arrangers – come along at 9:30am on Saturday 31st March? No experience necessary! Thank you."
Marian Coom

"The collection for **Surrey Drug & Alcohol Care** raised £232, thank you all very much! The charity are looking for more **Helpline volunteers**, if you can spare 5 hrs a fortnight & are interested please let me know. New volunteer training starts shortly."
Jana Philips

The newly stocked Traidcraft Stall opens this morning!

The Annual Church Meeting is next Sunday after the 10am Sung Eucharist. This year to avoid using paper we ask you to see the Reports and Accounts booklet on the website.

There are some copies in the narthex. But **please do read them all carefully before the meeting.**



In partnership with Guildford United Reformed Church & a member of the cluster group with St Saviour's and Holy Trinity & St Mary's, Guildford; sharing the church with Upper Room Ministries.

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WEEKLY LEAFLET 11th March 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent



This year Children's Church will be making cookies rather than giving posies.



8:15 am Morning Prayer & Eucharist

We begin on page 59; Office hymn 77;
Psalm 27, page 621

First reading Ephesians 2:1-10; Gospel reading as below

The Lord be with you **and with thy spirit**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

At the Peace turn to page 215 for the Eucharist.

At the end please join in the prayer on page 71

Ask one of the sides-people before the Offertory if you need to receive gluten free holy communion.

Anne will be presiding at 10am today, on Monday & Friday and at 8:15am next Sunday; Andrew at 8:15am today, on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday and at 10am next Sunday.

10am

SUNG EUCHARIST & Children's Church

The children start in church, then move to the Community Centre, before re-joining us in church.

Hymns come from 'New English Hymnal', with the Mass setting by Merbecke.

The Gathering

♪ **ENTRY HYMN 376** (choir please note the change of number)

+ We meet in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Welcome & Introduction

The Greeting

Prayers of Penitence

**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.**

♪ **Kyrie eleison**

Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy; **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God
have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

We invite Children's Church to receive God's word.

All: **Receive the gift of God's word; through the power of the Spirit, may it fill your hearts with love and your lives with hope and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

♪ **The Collect**

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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

Please sit for the reading. Today's reader David Greenwood.

First reading (Numbers 21:4-9)

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and

whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 107:1-9

O give thanks to the Lord, for | he is | gracious, ♦
for his steadfast | love en|dures for | ever.

Let the redeemed of the | Lord | say this, ♦
those he re|deemed ♦ from the | hand of the | enemy.

≠ And gathered out of the lands
from the east and | from the | west, ♦
from the | north and | from the | south.

Some went astray in | desert | wastes ♦
and found no | path ♦ to a | city to | dwell in.

Hungry | and | thirsty, ♦
their | soul was | fainting with|in them.

So they cried to the Lord | in their | trouble ♦
and he de|livered them from | their dis|tress.

He set their feet on the | right | way ♦
till they | came ♦ to a | city to | dwell in.

Let them give thanks to the | Lord ♦ for his | goodness ♦
and the | wonders he | does ♦ for his | children.

For he satisfies the | longing | soul ♦
and fills the | hungry | soul with | good.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your heart. *Psalm 95:3,8*
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel Reading (John 3:14-21)

Please turn to reader

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

♪ **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus: '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. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon Andrew

followed by a pause in silence for some reflection

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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.
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. [we bow our heads]
 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 please stay standing for the

Prayers of Intercession

Anne: With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

Catherine Ferguson: ... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

- Today we give thanks for our own Mothers, praying for all who are responsible for the care of children.
- We stand with the hundreds of thousands of ordinary people caught in the crossfire in Eastern Ghouta.
- We celebrate the breadth and diversity of Mother Church; help us all to be receptive to each other with open and generous hearts.
- As our church Traidcraft Stall re-opens this morning we remember all disadvantaged local producers of food around the world, those it is easy to be blind to, and pray for more just and equitable systems.
- In our diocese we pray for all hospital and hospice chaplains – and here for the appointment of a new chaplain to lead the team at the Royal Surrey County Hospital.
- Our fellow Anglicans in the Church of England and our Archbishop Justin Welby.
- With *United Society Partners in the Gospel* we pray for gender equality throughout the world.
- With *Green Christians* we ask the Holy Spirit to guide our government and all the world's leaders as they make key decisions about future forms of energy production.
- We remember the anniversaries of the deaths of Fred Paul Clee, Judith Ellis, Cyril Kidder and Hermione (Elaine) Garner.

Anne: God our Father, in your love and goodness you have taught us to come close to you in penitence with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our Lenten discipline, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand as we exchange a handshake as a Sign of 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 each other a sign of peace.

♪ OFFERTORY HYMN 64

*During this a collection is taken for the work of the church,
 and the gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar.*

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

We place before you with joy these offerings,
 which bring eternal remedy, O Lord,
 praying that we may both faithfully revere them
 and present them to you, as is fitting,
 for the salvation of all the world.
 Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Roman Missal

♪ The Eucharistic Prayer

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 and good
 to give you thanks and praise,
 almighty God and everlasting Father,
 through Jesus Christ your Son.
 For in these forty days
 you lead us into the desert of repentance
 that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
 we may grow in grace
 and learn to be your people once again.
 Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
 you bring us back to your generous heart.
 Through study of your holy word
 you open our eyes to your presence in the world
 and free our hands to welcome others
 into the radiant splendour of your love.
 As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
 with joyful hearts and minds
 we bless you for your mercy
 and join with saints and angels
 for ever praising you and singing:

♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
 God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

♪ ... Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
 rising you restored our life:
 Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

The Prayer continues and we all respond boldly: Amen.

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.**

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.**

♫ **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of 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.

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs
under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh
of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies
may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us.**

Amen.

*The bell rings as a sign to come for communion or a blessing.
All who usually receive Holy Communion are welcome to do
so, others to come for a blessing.*

CHOIR ANTHEM Ave Maria (Arcadett)
Followed by a time of silence

Prayer After Communion

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of
eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

*We hear what the children have been doing and receive any
final announcements.*
*After the service please do join us for refreshments in the
Community Centre (turn left as you leave the church).*

♫ **FINAL HYMN 413**

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you
and give you peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
+ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with us always. **Amen.**

We go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.



5 pm Julian Meeting
The weekly ½ hour silence –in the WTJ room this evening

6 pm Evening Worship – Journey to the Cross
In this simple Sunday evening liturgy during Lent we shall be reflecting on three of the Stations of the Cross each week.

Hymn 77
Psalms 13 & 14
Hymn 71

*Please sign the list today to enable us to
keep the Watch throughout the night
on Maundy
Thursday into
Good Friday.*



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**Do please come to the Amnesty Meeting
in the St Nicolas' Community Centre here
tomorrow when we shall be welcoming
Kate Allen, Director of Amnesty
International UK:**

Tea/coffee welcome at 7.30pm. Start at 7.45pm

**Kate's subject will be: "Human Rights
post-Brexit"**