

Sunday 5TH February 2017 ~ 4TH Sunday before Lent

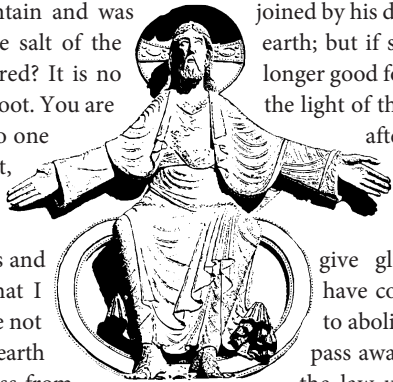
A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him' – these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

1 Corinthians 2 vv. 1-12

HEAR THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

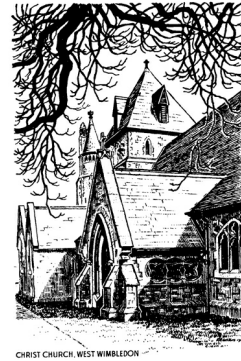
Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. After lighting a lamp puts it not under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'



Matthew 5 vv. 13-20

A PDF file of the Sunday News Sheet & the Church Diary can be downloaded from the church's web site; it is available from the Friday morning before it appears in church on Sunday :

www.christchurch-westwimbledon.org



Welcome to Christ Church, West Wimbledon

SUNDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2017
FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

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Julie Grainger & Sal Edmunds

Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven, our salvation and our strength, without you we are lost: guard us from all that harms or hurts and raise us when we fall; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Green Prayer

Loving Father,

you sent your Son to be a light to those who walk in darkness. May we who brought your world to the edge of darkness see clearly the new paths that we must follow if we are to restore your world in accordance with the commands you have given us in your Word. Amen

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8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Robin Thomson

READINGS

1 Corinthians 2 vv. 1-12

Matthew 5 vv. 13-20

10am Parish Eucharist

Revd Alistair McCulloch

READINGS

1 Corinthians 2 vv. 1-12

Matthew 5 vv. 13-20

H Y M N S

Hymn No. 6 omit * verses

Children's Song: The wise man built this house

Hymn No. 143

Hymn No. 34

Hymn No. 673



6.30pm Evening Prayer

READINGS

Amos 2 v4-end

Ephesians 5 v17-end

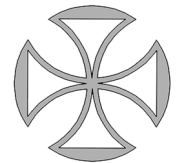
H Y M N S

Hymn No. 306

Hymn No. 605

Hymn No. 376

Psalm 112 1-9



PEACE
BE TO
YOU.

Prayer

PRAY FOR . . .

Link Parish

*The People of St Francis of Assisi,
Barham Green, Bulawayo*

PRAY FOR . . .

The Sick

*Finley
Insoon Kim
Michael Green
Revd. Mark Budden*

PRAY FOR . . .

Recently Died

Jean Harrison

PRAY FOR . . .

Anniversary of Death

*Isaac Simons (2013)
Thérèse Whitworth (2005)
Alastair Simpson (1999)
Margaret Brazier (1994)*

PRAY FOR . . .

The Interregnum

*Dear Lord,
We thank you for your mercy in
sustaining our congregation during
our interregnum, and for the
generosity of visiting ministers.
Thank you also for the
appointment of the Reverend
Michael Burns. May we welcome
him wholeheartedly and support
him in his work in the church and
the wider community. In the name
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Amen.*



Sunday 5TH February 2016 ~ Fourth Sunday before Lent

PARKING OUTSIDE CHURCH
ON SUNDAY

The Churchwardens put out cones on Copse Hill on Sunday to allow disabled people to park close to the church.

BLUTHNER
PIANO

Christ Church is now the proud owner of a beautiful c.1927 Bluthner piano. The piano was given by the children of Mr and Mrs Bittlestone whose funerals were held at Christ Church recently. They were touched by the way Richard Lane supported the family and gave the piano to Christ Church, where it would be used and leave a legacy. Since its arrival, the piano has already been used for more than 30 piano lessons and several rehearsals. It will undoubtedly enhance the musical life of our parish; indeed a new concert series is planned for 2017, the first of which will be given in memory of Mr and Mrs Bittlestone, and will take place on 11th March. Rich Hall

MARMALADE

It is February and it is marmalade time. I shall be selling it after the 10.00 am service starting on February 5th and for the following few weeks. Any profit will go, as last year, to Faith in Action. If you plan to buy several jars please bring your own plastic carriers with you. Looking forward to selling lots. With thanks Marion.

CHRIST CHURCH HALL

Please encourage anyone you know to consider hiring the hall for events.

Please ask them to call the special phone number: 07719 525916.

We need the income to defray the fixed costs of running the hall. Hall address: Christ Church Hall, Corner of Copse Hill & Cottenham Park Road, London, SW20 0NA.

Information about the hall is on the Christ Church web site:

www.christchurch-westwimbledon.org/christ_church_hall.html

Jobs around the hall : the outside doors need a coat of paint, especially the door nearest to the church - it also needs a new outside door hook. The windows need some maintenance work to enable them to close fully to improve heat retention. The window vents need replacement.

All costs will be refunded. Please contact Stefan if you can help: 07976 133035.

Recent work : Since the autumn two of the main hall light fittings have had to be replaced. The new fittings (6") are shorter than the older ones (8") which are no longer made. Due to the cost of replacement each time, consideration is being given to replace all remaining 8" lights before they fail. Also, the main gents toilet has had new pipework fitted, now flushes automatically, with fixtures secured properly.

RADIATORS IN TRUMAN ROOM

These wall radiators are operated on a timer. Please do not turn off the electrical switch or turn down the thermostat.
Many thanks, Julie and Sal

NAME BADGE SUNDAY
26TH FEBRUARY

Revd Michael Burns will be attending our 8.00am and 10.00am church services, on Sunday 26th February as a member of the congregation, and to meet as many of the congregation as possible. The 10am service will be a name badge Sunday.

CHRISTIAN CARE
MERTON APPEAL FOR HELP

Christian Care run an important service collecting good quality second hand furniture to redistribute to those in need. It is not always possible to collect the furniture and deliver to someone the same day, so it has to be stored somewhere. Two garages have been rented for furniture storage since 1995 but the landlords have just given notice to quit. The charity is the only source of free furniture in Merton and helps families who are destitute. Any offers of assistance would be welcome as the need for storage is urgent. Please email christiancaremerton@gmail.com or phone 020 3302 0181 / 07932 628840 if you could offer storage space suitable for items of furniture in Merton Park / Raynes Park / South Wimbledon / Central Morden.

The Reverend Michael Burns



The Revd Michael Burns will be licensed as Priest in Charge at Christ Church on 26th April, 2017 at 8pm.

Mike was born in Southend and went to school at Christ's Hospital, Horsham in Sussex. After a gap year working in a children's home in Berlin, he trained for the ordained ministry at King's College London and at Chichester Theological College. He served his first curacy in the Broseley Group of Parishes near Telford in Shropshire before moving to a second curacy at All Saints' Ecumenical Church, Pin Green in Stevenage. He was then appointed Vicar of Tattenham Corner and Burgh Heath, Epsom in Surrey and after 8 years there he was appointed Chaplain for Younger People at the new Ecumenical Church of Christ the Cornerstone in Milton Keynes. In January 2000 he was appointed Vicar of King Charles the Martyr, Potters Bar in Hertfordshire where he has worked for the past 17 years. During this time he served as Assistant Area Dean of Barnet and has just completed his 5 year term as Area Dean of Barnet.

Michael says in a brief message to the whole congregation:

*"I am very much looking forward to moving in the spring to Christ Church, West Wimbledon and to meeting you all and getting to know you. You are all much in my prayers and I hope you will remember me in yours.
May God bless us all."*

Coming Up . . .

This Week

MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

7.30pm Brass Group

TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

11.00am Morning Prayer

THURSDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

9.30am Bruno Bear, Avenue Road

FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

6.15pm Children's Choir

7.30pm Adult Choir

The Week After

MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY

7.30pm Brass Group

TUESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

11.00am Morning Prayer

THURSDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

9.30am Bruno Bear, Avenue Road

FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY

6.15pm Children's Choir

7.30pm Adult Choir



PEACE
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NEXT SUNDAY

12TH FEBRUARY 2017

THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

10.00AM PARISH EUCHARIST

6.30PM EVENSONG (BCP)