

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Since we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

2 Corinthians 3.12 – 4.2

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' Peter did not know what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And the disciples kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Luke 9.28–36



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Sunday 3 March 2019
Sunday next before Lent



Collect

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Green Prayer

Lord, as we begin to see the radical transformation needed in our society if we are to meet the crisis of climate change, we pray and beseech you to raise up and empower the leaders of the future who will challenge the forces of inertia and inspire us all to think and act as if we, individually and collectively, bear full responsibility for the lifestyle changes that we must all make if coming generations are to survive. Amen.

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8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

READINGS:

2 Corinthians 3. 12-4.2

Luke 9. 28-36

10.00am Celebrate Together

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2 Corinthians 3. 12-4.2

Luke 9. 28-36

HYMNS

207, 141, 692, 186

6.30pm Evening Prayer

READINGS:

Exodus 3. 1-6

John 12. 27-36

HYMNS

93, 369, 141

Psalms 89. 1-18



FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need:

Philip Catchpole; Ciora Smith; Anna Harris; Pauline Shepherd-Walwyn;

Those who have died:

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Jessie Rushton (2003)

Link Parish:

The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green

THIS WEEK

Monday 4 March

8.00pm Refugee Planning Group at the Vicarage

Shrove Tuesday 5 March

11.00am Morning Prayer

2.30pm Pancake Party in the Hall: all welcome

8.00pm Book Club at 44 Craven Gardens

Ash Wednesday 6 March

8.00pm Sung Eucharist with Ashing

Thursday 7 March

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 8 March

7.30pm Choir Practice

NEXT SUNDAY 10 MARCH

Lent 1

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm BCP Evensong

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 12 March

11.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Lent Course 1, Truman Room

8.00pm Lent Course 1, Truman Room

Thursday 14 March

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 15 March

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 16 March

6.30pm Barn Dance, in the Hall

THE HALL: during building work the hall side door opposite the church is not in use and toilets at the back of the hall are closed for refurbishment. Please use toilets at the front of the hall. The disabled toilet is temporarily designated for ladies & disabled use only. Thank you.

CHRIST CHURCH VISION was launched recently: do collect your copy of the launch leaflet. The **QUESTIONNAIRE** is also available—please fill in and return to the basket in the cross aisle. One area omitted from the leaflet where help will be warmly welcome is **Flower Arranging**—please consider if this is something where you could offer your time and talent.

TOGETHER ON THURSDAY will be meeting on **Shrove Tuesday 5th March** for a pancake party in the Hall from 2.30 - 4 pm. **Everyone is welcome.** Sign the list at the back of Church indicating whether you need a lift.

LENT COURSE 2019 will be held on **TUESDAYS** at **2pm** and **8pm** in the Truman Room—6 weeks starting on March 12. See leaflet and sign the list at the back of the church.

LAST TWO WEEKS—Marmalade still on sale. Buy now!

MANY THANKS to the **MAGNIFICENT NINE** who worked hard on Monday giving areas of the church a spring clean. Thank you—you know who you are!

WE NEED more volunteers to join the church cleaning rota. This would be for about an hour once a month. The groups currently clean on Monday mornings at around 9am or Saturday mornings at 9am. Please give your name to one of the wardens or Michael and say which day would suit you. Thank you.

BARN DANCE—SATURDAY 16 MARCH at 6.30pm

Following the great success of Barn Dance last year, we are running our next one on St. Patrick's Day weekend starting at 6.30pm. It will have a green theme and will be called the Christ Church Ceilidh! All are welcome, kids 16 or under are free. Tickets are only £12.50. There is a list at the back of Church: please can you let us know if you can join us. We'd also welcome some suitable raffle prizes!

ACADEMY CHOIR 9 MARCH with the London Mozart Players at St John's, Spencer Hill for a concert of Bruckner (Mass No. 2 in E Minor), Brahms, Schubert, Mendelssohn and more. Tickets (£15-25, £5 for students and under 18s) Details available from www.academychoirwimbledon.co.uk.

12th WIMBLEDON BROWNIES have 2 or 3 spaces at Brownies after Easter when a number of the older girls are leaving. They meet on Wednesdays at 6pm for girls aged 7 to 9. You can sign up on the Girlguiding UK website.

CHURCHES IN WEST WIMBLEDON are holding a vigil of prayer for our country and our politicians at this time of political uncertainty - Friday 8 March at the Salvation Army Hall, 496 Kingston Road (corner of Sydney Road). Drop in anytime between 6pm and 9pm.

WEEKLY GIVING ENVELOPES are now available at the back of the church. Please collect your pack if you give in this way. If you would like a free set to use, do let Lynda Coleman know.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL is the official list of those who are linked to membership of Christ Church. It is open to all who are baptised and over the age of 16 years of age and who regularly attend worship at Christ Church. There are obvious benefits for a church to have an accurate list of those who attend – and all those listed are eligible to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. This year a new Church electoral roll has to be prepared and **EVERYONE has to re-register.** If you wish to be included on the new roll you must complete and return an application form even if you were included on the old roll. Forms are available at the cross aisle and there is a box for completed application forms. The closing date will be **1 April.**

WIMBLEDON FOODBANK Please continue to support the foodbank by placing donations in the box at the back of church. Current urgent needs are for rice pudding, jam, long life milk, squash/juice, sugar and toilet paper.

CHRISTIAN CARE FURNITURE PROJECT are in need of the following items: (collection can be arranged if necessary) 2'6" / 75 cm divan bed; 3' dining tables for 4 (preferably dropleaf); bunk beds. Please contact: 020 3302 0181 (Office hours and answerphone) 9.30am to 2.00pm, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. 07932 628 840 (Mob) or email: christiancaremerton@gmail.com

MUSIC LESSONS? Tom Theakston, the new Director of Music is offering piano, organ and theory lessons for children and adults. For piano and theory tuition, lessons can take place at home if the pupil is local to the Merton area or at Christ Church. Organ Lessons would take place at Christ Church. Tom holds an enhanced DBS certificate and teaches all styles of music, from classical right through to ragtime, pop and rock. Please do get in touch with him if you are interested or have any questions regarding times and rates tomtheakston@hotmail.com

TRADCRAFT STALL

Thank you for supporting the Christ Church Tradecraft Stall over the last year. Together we bought almost £2,500 of fairly traded goods which has supported producers in the developing world – a small step towards justice for the world's poor. Thanks to the expertise of our apprentice helpers we made a profit of £314. From this we paid £273.60 to World Vision as our sponsorship of Khady Dione and her community in Senegal. Khady is 18 years old and attends school and her Mbella community benefits from healthcare and sanitation projects. After a difficult year, Tradecraft is continuing in business so please continue to buy fair trade goods and remember we can also take orders for items in the catalogue. Thank you from Tish, Ian, Julie, Lucy and our young helpers.