

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

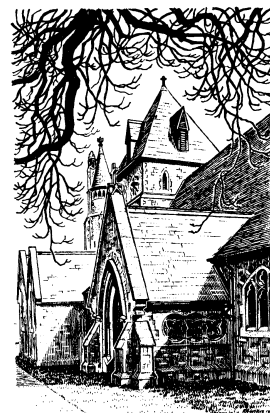
The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

1 Corinthians 1.18–25

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

John 2.13–22



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Sunday 4 March 2018

Third Sunday of Lent



Collect

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptation 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. Amen.

Green Prayer

Loving Father, we confess that we are too prone to say 'no' to any new technology – 'no' to wind farms, 'no' to tidal barrages, 'no' to anything other than the fossil fuel supplies that feed our addictions. Help us to make honest judgements about the best technologies for the protection of your creation, not forgetting that the best results often flow from self-denial and a more economical use of resources. Guide our leaders as they make decisions which will affect all future generations. This we pray in the Name of your dear Son, who died to save us and all your creatures. Amen.

Sunday 4 March 2018 — Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

READINGS

1 Corinthians 1. 18-25

John 2. 13—22

10.00am Parish Eucharist

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John 2. 13—22

HYMNS: 108, 141, 692, 26, 292

6.30pm BCP Evensong

READINGS

Exodus 5/1– 6/1

Matthew 10. 16—22

HYMNS: 373, 590, 333

Psalm 11



FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need:

Finley

Those who have died: Jean Guthman

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Jessie Rushton

Link Parish: The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Bulawayo

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 6 March

11.00am No Morning Prayer this morning

2.00pm Lent Course 3

8.00pm Book Club at 3 Elm Walk

Wednesday 7 March

8.00pm Lent Course 3

Thursday 8 March

8.00pm Brass Group

8.00pm Finance Committee at 26 Spencer Hill (tbc)

Friday 9 March (*Michael's Free Day*)

7.30pm Adult Choir Practice

NEXT SUNDAY 11 March 2018

Mothering Sunday

(*Name Badge Sunday*)

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Celebrate Together

6.30pm BCP Sung Evensong

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 13 March

11.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Lent Course 4

7.00pm Standing Committee, Truman Room

8.00pm PCC Meeting, Truman Room

Wednesday 14 March

Organ tuning all day

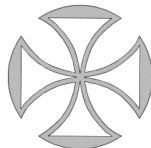
8.00pm Lent Course 4

Thursday 15 March

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 16 March (*Michael's Free Day*)

7.30pm Adult Choir Practice



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT CHRIST CHURCH

Palm Sunday March 25th

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist with Procession

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

Monday March 26th

8pm 'Christ humbled himself' - reflections on Christ's Passion

Tuesday March 27th

8pm Service of Contemplation and Prayer

Wednesday March 28th

8pm Taize Service with Prayer and Contemplation

Maundy Thursday March 29th

8pm Sung Eucharist of the Last Supper followed by stripping of the Church and a silent vigil till 10pm

Good Friday March 30th

10am Meet at the Lantern Methodist Church in Worple Road for the Procession of Witness through Raynes Park organised by WW Churches Together

2pm 'The Last Hour' Liturgy of the Cross with the Choir

Easter Day April 1st

6.45am Sunrise Service—

blessing of new fire and renewal of baptismal vows followed by a light breakfast

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Communion - an all age service

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

HOME MADE MARMALADE will be on sale this morning courtesy of Marian Stewart.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP DELIVER EASTER LEAFLETS to the parish? Thank you.

BISHOP'S LENT CALL: Every year we support the Bishop of Southwark's annual Lent Call, this year supporting projects in Zimbabwe, the Holy Land and in the Diocese itself. Full details are on the display at the back of the church. Please put your donations in the **BLUE** envelopes which will be available each Sunday—and Gift Aid if you can. There are also Lent giving boxes available.

NAME BADGE SUNDAYS will be on 11 and 18 March at the 10am services. We will encourage everyone to write their name on a label (supplied) so that we can get to know each other better!

MOTHERING SUNDAY falls on 11 March. After the 10am service, the Brownies and Guides will be selling cakes over refreshments, which will be served in the Hall. Do bring some money and buy.

CHILDREN'S FUN ACTIVITY AFTERNOON FOR 4 to 11 year olds on **SATURDAY MARCH 24** from 3pm till 5pm in the Hall. Contact Tish (tish@mouseltraining.com or 07771 661 612.) — or Claire (clairenaylor1@virginmedia.com)

ELECTORAL ROLL is the membership list of the church. If you are not on the current list (displayed at the back of the Church), please do complete a form—you have to be over 16 and baptised. We encourage all to join. Full details are available from Mike Hammond, the Electoral Roll Officer.

A SMALL UNDERGROUND CHAMBER, as some of you know, runs between the Church and the Hall. We have now had to fence this area off until the authorities decide how it is best filled in. We apologise for the inconvenience. A new set of steps down to the Hall will now be used for access to the side entrance door.