

## A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

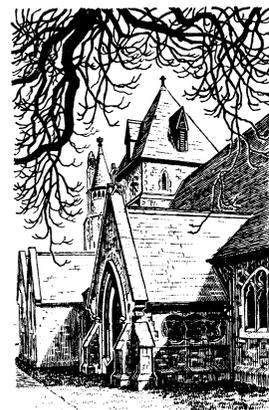
If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

*Phil 3.4-14*

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

*John 12.1-8*



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**Sunday 7 April 2019**

**Lent 5—Passiontide**



### Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:

lead us to ponder the mysteries  
of his passion,

that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers  
and sisters we do also for you:

give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever Amen.

### Green Prayer

Loving Father,

we do not understand why nature  
sometimes seems so cruel and harsh,  
and why people suffer from floods,  
earthquakes and man-made disasters.

Help us to trust in your promises  
and to rest in the certainty that not even  
the smallest sparrow lies outside  
your loving care.

Help us to do all in our power  
to relieve suffering and make us willing  
and eager to share the good things  
you have given us, for the benefit of all.  
Amen.

## Sunday 7 April—Lent 5—Passiontide

### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

#### READINGS:

Phil. 3.4-14

John 12.1-8

### 10.00am Parish Eucharist

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John 12.1-8

#### HYMNS

565, 727, 554, 652

### 12.00 Noon Baptism of Evie Lacey

### 6.30pm Evening Prayer

#### READINGS:

2 Chron 35.1-6 & 10-16

Luke 22.1-13

#### HYMNS

630, 369, 661

Psalms 35.1-9



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

### Those who are ill or in need:

Michael Green, Philip Catchpole; Ciora Smith; Anna Harris; Pauline Shepherd-Walwyn;

### Those who have died:

### Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Eric Clark (2001), Valerie Finch (2000)

### Link Parish:

The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green

#### Monday 8 April

**2.00pm** Planning your Funeral, Truman Room

#### Tuesday 9 April

**11.00am** Morning Prayer

**2.00pm** Lent Course 5, Truman Room

**8.00pm** Lent Course 5, Truman Room

#### Thursday 11 April

**8.00pm** Brass Group

**8.00pm** Merton Deanery Synod Meeting,  
St Andrew's Church, Wimbledon

#### Friday 12 April

**7.30pm** Choir Practice

### NEXT SUNDAY 14 APRIL—PALM SUNDAY

**8.00am** BCP Holy Communion

**10.00am** Parish Eucharist with Procession of Palms

**6.30pm** BCP Evensong

#### Monday 15 April

**8.00pm** A reflective service on the Passion of  
Christ with the 14 Stations on the Cross

#### Tuesday 16 April

**8.00pm** Final Lent Course meeting

#### Wednesday 17 April

**8.00pm** Taize Service with Prayer and  
Contemplation

#### Maundy Thursday 18 April

**8.00pm** Sung Eucharist of the Last Supper  
followed by stripping of the Church and a  
silent vigil till 10.00pm

#### Good Friday 19 April

**10.00am** Meet at Lantern Methodist Church,  
Worple Road for the Procession of  
Witness through Raynes Park organized  
by CTiWW

**2.00pm** 'The Last Hour' Liturgy of the Cross with  
the Choir

**THANK YOU** to those who prepared the flowers for last Sunday's service; also to those who led the Children's Activity day yesterday.

**BISHOP'S LENT CALL 2019** is supporting a range of projects overseas and at home. See the mobile notice board at the back of Church for full details. Please place your donation in a **BLUE** envelope, gift aiding if you can. The closing date is Palm Sunday, 14 April. **MARMALADE:** Many thanks to those who supported the sale of marmalade last month. A great deal was raised and have sent a cheque for £240 towards the Bishops' Lent Appeal. Marion.

**EASTER DAY COLLECTION** will be for the work of the Church Mission Society.

**EASTER LILIES**—If you would like to contribute towards the cost of Easter Lilies in Church, in memory of a loved one, there is a collection box and list at the back of church

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER**—there is a list in the cross aisle for people to sign to help in various ways on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and at the sunrise service on Easter Day. Please offer your help if you can. Thank you.

**PCC ELECTIONS AT THE APCM** are approaching—forms to sign are in the cross aisle. There are 4 vacancies for the Church Council and we need 2 Churchwardens. The Annual Meeting is on April 28 at 11.30am after the Service. APCM agendas and 2018 minutes are available.

**DRAFT 2019 ELECTORAL ROLL** is now available for checking. Please take a moment to check your entry is correct and place a tick against your name.

### **WIMBLEDON FOODBANK – NEW REQUEST**

The Foodbank's urgent needs change frequently and can be checked on their website. Currently they need tinned rice pudding, tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce, sugar, jam, shampoo and toothpaste. Please put donated goods in the box at the back of church. Thank you to all who have supported the collections.

**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

**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.

**MUSIC LESSONS?** Tom Theakston, the 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 question regarding times and rates [tomtheakston@hotmail.com](mailto:tomtheakston@hotmail.com)

**BACH'S ST JOHN PASSION - Holy Saturday, 20 April, 7:30pm**, at St John's, SW19 4NZ: the Choir of the 21st Century, under the direction of Wimbledon conductor Max Barley, perform one of J.S. Bach's choral masterpieces, St John Passion, alongside distinguished soloists and players, as part of Wimbledon's marking of Passiontide. Tickets £24/16 (plus small booking fee: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bachs-st-john-passion-tickets-55758480115>) Also at the door if not sold out.

**MERTON DEANERY SYNOD** on **11 April** 8pm to 9:30 at St Andrew's Church, Herbert Road, Wimbledon, SW19 3TJ including an update on the Southwark Diocesan Vision for 2019 & a taster session on Fruitfulness on the Frontline: Taster Session - Where we are now truly matters to God. We all have an everyday context that's significant to God, full of people who matter to God. But can we see how God might want to be working in and through us on these frontlines?