



For our prayers this week

**Those who are ill or in need...** Alex Boorer, Laurie Hamilton, Ashleigh Anand, Felix Snell, Val Hancock.

**Those who have died...** Caroline Nwokoye, David Williams, Sarah Hamilton  
**Anniversary of death...** Shirley Vaughan Turner (2025), Bryce Simpson (2009), Arthur Harris (2006), Susan White (1998), Mona Simpson (2019), Jessie Rushton (2003).

**Link Parish** of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe.



### *THIS WEEK...*

**TUESDAY 03 MARCH**  
7.45pm **LENT COURSE**  
*Truman Room*

**WEDNESDAY 04 MARCH**  
9.15am **TODDLER GROUP** *Hall*  
12 noon **PRAYER GROUP** *Church*

### *NEXT WEEK...*

**SUNDAY 08 MARCH 2026**

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

8am **HOLY COMMUNION**  
10am **PARISH EUCHARIST**  
6.30pm **EVENSONG**

**TUESDAY 10 MARCH**  
7.45pm **LENT COURSE**  
*Truman Room*

**WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH**  
9.15am **TODDLER GROUP** *Hall*  
12 noon **PRAYER GROUP** *Church*

**FRIDAY 13 MARCH**  
10am **FRIDAY GROUP**



### *NOTICES*

#### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

**A service for everyone!**

**FRIDAY 06 MARCH**  
at **St John Fisher Church,**  
**Cannon Hill Lane SW20 9DB.**  
Service starts at **10.30am** followed  
by light refreshments. Car park  
available. All are welcome.  
**NIGERIA 2026**

#### **BIRD & BAT BOXES at CCWW**

A huge thank you to John Lyon for making our new bat box and our two exotic bird boxes - have you seen them in the garden? John fills the birdfeeders each week too. A big thank you also to Bill Petch for installing all the boxes and organising a swift box which is installed on the back of the hall. Let's keep watch for birds and bats using the boxes. This is part of our care for all God's creation.

**CHORAL EVENSONG**  
**TODAY - SUNDAY 01 MARCH**  
with CCWW choir  
and Director of Music,  
Roelof Temmingh.

**FINAL CALL FOR SPECTACLES**  
**TODAY - Sunday 01 March** is the final date to donate your old spectacles, sunglasses and hearing aids. They will be donated to Lions Clubs British Isles and they are used all over the world.  
Box in the Truman Room.

One of our new young members of the congregation is excitingly playing his trumpet at the Albert Hall for the **Merton Music Foundation** on **Tuesday 10 March 2026.** Doors open at 6.15pm with warm up acts from 6.30pm and the concert starting at 7pm and ending at 10pm. Ticket prices and information can be found on this website:  
[www.mmf.org.uk/rah26](http://www.mmf.org.uk/rah26)

Vacancy at the **Cinque Cottages Charity, Crooked Billet.** Chris Larkman (clerk to the charity's trustees) informs us that they have a vacancy in one of their first floor one-bedroom flats. Speak to Chris or email via the parish office.

**MESSY CHURCH**  
on **SUNDAY 22 MARCH**  
**2 - 4pm** in the hall.  
Children aged 4-11 are very welcome.

**Would you have a more effective prayer life?**

### **LENT COURSE ON PRAYER 2026**

*in the Truman Room*  
*7.45pm to 9pm*

Tuesday 24th February  
**Topic: *Personal Prayer (Hannah)***

Tuesday 3rd March  
**Topic: *Ambitious Prayer (Elijah)***

Tuesday 10th March  
**Topic: *Hopeful Prayer (Ezekiel)***

Tuesday 17th March  
**Topic: *Communal Prayer (Esther)***

Tuesday 24th March  
**Topic: *Constant Prayer (Daniel)***

**All Welcome:**  
**Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church**

#### **BISHOP'S LENT CALL**

This year the money raised will aid education on schools in Zimbabwe And diocese of Jerusalem. See full information on board at back of church. Please place donations in blue envelopes or use Special Collections button on card readers at any time throughout Lent.

**The parish office will be closed for annual leave between 26 February until 10 March.**

## This week's readings

### A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations') – Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

*Romans 4.1-5,13-17*

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And 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.'

*John 3.1-17*



## CHRIST CHURCH, WEST WIMBLEDON

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**Director of Music** Roelof Temmingh  
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### SUNDAY 01 MARCH 2026 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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#### **Collect**

Almighty God, by the prayer  
and discipline of Lent may we enter  
into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,  
and by following in his Way come  
to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

#### **Post Communion**

Almighty God, you see that we have no power  
of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both  
outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our  
souls; that we may be defended from all  
adversities which may happen to the body and  
from all evil thoughts which may assault and  
hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

#### **Green / World Prayer**

All-embracing God, in our wayward complacency, we are not without signs, in sky sun and moon, in the roaring of the sea; For, God, you send wildness and warnings, to show us your way. Through the voice of the earth you make conspicuous the grounds for repentance. And so, all the more in the kinship of Christ's body grant courage and joy to resist the intimidation of greed, rather to uphold the value and dignity of fellow creatures: sharers in your rainbow covenant for the peace and beauty of creation at work and play with you woven together by the wild wind, the spirit one God for every place and time. **Amen**

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#### **8am HOLY COMMUNION**

**Readings** Romans 4.1-5,13-17; John 3.1-17

#### **10am ALL AGE SERVICE**

**Reading** John 3.1-17 **Hymns** 324, 48, 493, 290

#### **6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG**

**Readings** Numbers 21.4-0; Luke 14.27-33 **Hymns** 554, 608, 627 **Psalm** 135.1-14

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