

8th March 2020

WELCOME

Lent 2

to

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



9.45 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST

Introit Hymn	394	Offertory Hymn	475
Psalm	121	Communion Hymn	326
Gradual Hymn	547	Final Hymn	609

Communion Setting : *Leighton in D*

Readings : *Genesis 12 vv 1-4a*
Romans 4 vv 1-5, 13-17
John 3 vv 1-17

Reader : Mary Bucknell
Intercessions : Jean Desborough
Sidesmen : Mary Bucknell and Sally Firth
Tea & Coffee : Beryl Field and Beryl Fletcher

Everyone is invited into the Social Room for refreshments after the morning service.

12.45 p.m. Ethiopian Church Service

N.B. There is NO evening service at St. John's today.

Bishop Jan, however, will be preaching at Evensong at Derby Cathedral at 6.00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend the service at Derby Cathedral and say farewell before she takes up her new appointment in the Lichfield Diocese.

The music played before and after the services is offered as part of our worship. Please use it respectfully as a time of preparation before and reflection after the service.

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reflection - Kenneth Grahame

Today is the birthday of the author Kenneth Grahame who wrote "*The Wind in the Willows*". In that book, two of the characters, Rat and Mole, paddle the boat upriver early one morning. As the sun rises, they sense that they are in the Presence of some Divine Being, and they feel called to worship. "This is the place of my song-dream, the place the music played to me", Rat whispered as if in a trance. "Here, in this holy place, here if anywhere, surely we shall find Him!" Suddenly Mole felt a great Awe fall upon him. He felt wonderfully at peace, he knew that the PRESENCE was very, very near. "Rat!" he whispered, shaking, "Are you afraid?" "Afraid?" murmured Rat his eyes shining with unutterable love. "Afraid! Of Him? O, never, never! And yet – and yet – O Mole, I am afraid!" Then the two animals, crouching to the earth, bowed their heads, and did worship."

NEXT WEEK

(See also Notice Board at side of Main Door for midweek service details etc.)

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| Monday | 7.30 p.m. Sitwell Singers rehearsal until 10.00 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 10.00 a.m. Welcome Café
4.30 p.m. Church open until 6.00 p.m. with Evening Prayer at 5.15 p.m. approx.
6.45 p.m. Derby Music Club in church until 10.00 p.m.
7.30 p.m. P.C.C. Meeting in the Social Room preceded by a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel at 7.00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 2.30 p.m. Community Tea – please separate note
4.30 p.m. Church open until 6.00 p.m. with Evening Prayer at 5.15 p.m. approx. |
| Thursday | 10.00 a.m. Welcome Café
4.30 p.m. Church open until 6.00 p.m. with Evening Prayer at 5.15 p.m. approx. |
| Friday | 10.00 a.m. Welcome Café
7.30 p.m. Choir Practice |
| Saturday | 3.00 p.m. Organists' Association visit until 5 p.m. |

NEXT WEEK (Cont.)

Sunday

9.45 a.m. Family Eucharist
Readings : *Exodus 17 vv 1-7*
Romans 5 vv 1-11
John 4 v 5-42
Reader : Sue Cowlishaw
Intercessions : Linda Mackay
Sidesmen : Pat Gregory and Linda Mackay
Tea & Coffee : Nick Green and Sophie Stramkowski

6.30 p.m.
Evensong
First Lesson : *Joshua 1 vv 1-9*
Second Lesson : *Ephesians 6 vv 10-20*

Fire Drill

At some point we will be carrying out a fire drill as we need to test how we evacuate the church safely. There has to be some element of surprise in order to evaluate any problems – if there are any.

LiveLent: Care for God's Creation

This is the Church of England's Lent Campaign for 2020. The booklet has weekly themes shaped around the first Genesis account of creation and explores the need for humans to value and protect the abundance God has created. Copies of the booklet are available for those who would like a copy and donations towards the cost would be appreciated.

St. John's 200 Club

The new competition for 2020/2021 has started. It is not too late to join so if you have not yet filled in a form and paid your money to Maralyn please do so as soon as possible.

Easy Fundraising

Just a reminder that you can help raise funds for St. John's by purchasing goods and services through the Easy Fundraising website (www.easyfundraising.org.uk). It is simple to use. Start your online shopping first at easy fundraising, then within that website shop as normal using the app of the shop or services you wish to buy and nominating St. John's as the charity you wish to receive your donation.

Wanted! – Used Postage Stamps

Pat Gregory is asking if people could once again save used postage stamps and give them to her so she can donate them to the Bransby Home of Rest for Horses. There is a box in the Social Room in which your stamps can be placed. Thank you.

Church Website

St. John's website address is : www.stjohnsmillstreet.org

Contacting Canon Elaine

If you need to contact Canon Elaine other than the Sunday services or when the church is open during the week this can be done as follows:

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ADVANCE NOTICES

Tuesday, 10th March 7.30 p.m. P.C.C. Meeting

This will be held in the Social Room and preceded at 7.00 p.m. in the Lady Chapel by a Said Eucharist service.

Wednesday, 11th March 2.30 p.m. Community Tea

Canon Elaine will be our "guest" at this month's Community Tea. Please invite friends to come along and share in the afternoon's activities. Also please let anyone know who may not see the Notices.

Tuesday, 17th March 7.00 p.m. Iona Evening

Tuesday, 31st March 7 for 7.15 p.m. Film Night

Wednesday, 1st April 2.30 p.m. Community Tea

Please note that the Community Tea will be held on 1st April and NOT 8th due to there being quite a few other events listed for Holy Week.

The Mission of St. John's Church

To be a caring community striving to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ;
sharing in the love of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
and to love our neighbour, having the Eucharist at the centre of our worship