



Parish of Fleet  
All Saints  
St Philip & St James

## News Sheet for Sunday 18 February First Sunday of Lent

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our worship today. It is a great joy to have you with us as we worship God together. If you are with us for the first time, please do make yourself known to us after the service. Today is the first Sunday of the season of Lent, a time when we take a good look at ourselves, our relationships with God and with other people, and our values and priorities, and we ask ourselves 'Are we getting it right'? The good news is that God wants to help us and encourage us to do better and to be transformed into the image of Christ! What a joy!

Today there will be 3 Services in our parish:

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at All Saints

10.00am Parish Eucharist at All Saints

10.00am All Age Morning Worship and Café Church for families at P&J

Please do join us for Worship today

God bless you all,

Mark

### THIS WEEK

**The Coffee Bar is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm**

<b>Sunday 18 Feb ALL SAINTS CHURCH:</b>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
	10.00am Parish Eucharist
<b>Ss PHILIP &amp; JAMES:</b>	10.00am All Age Morning Worship and Café Church for families
<b>Tuesday 20 Feb</b>	11.00am Prayer Group, Ss Philip & James Church
<b>Wednesday 21 Feb</b>	9.30am Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church
	10.0am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
	10.30am Baby Saints, FPCC
<b>Friday 23 Feb</b>	10.00am – 12pm Dribbles and Giggles, FPCC
<b>Saturday 24 Feb</b>	10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
<b>Sunday 25 Feb ALL SAINTS CHURCH:</b>	10.00am Morning Worship
<b>Ss PHILIP &amp; JAMES:</b>	10.00am Parish Eucharist

**Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer  
Wednesdays 11.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.**

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

[Genesis 9:8-17](#)

[1 Peter 3:18-end](#)

[Mark 1:9-15](#)

## PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

**TODAY'S COLLECT:** Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:** Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Those in urgent need of our prayers including:** Karen Kite and family, Jack, Barbara Willis, Zoe, Jean Belgrove, Marcia Farrey, Sylvia Honiwell, Carol Paton, John Simson, Debbie Taylor, Tyler Thompson, Phillip, Garth and Judy Kellett, Alan Brown

**Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers:**

Anne Marie Hudson, Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Melanie Brant, Marion Brown, Chris, Diana, Yvonne Dunk, Leo Goodson, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Giorgia Laughton, Bonnie Lewis, Sheila O'Connor, Gill Page, Peter Rogers, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Clare and family, Jean Harris, Dewey and family

**Those who have died recently:** Xander Coleman-Day, Robert Hewes, Tim Kite, Kate Gilchrist

**Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time:** Alfred, William Eddy Kate Findlay, Vivian Saunders-Mitchell, Doreen Dolton, Raymond Bagnall, Harriet Beale, Enid Hale, James Hancock, Shirley Dearman, Christopher Goodband, Thomas Woolford, Edna Beale, Paul Durrant, Jock Forbes

### PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 19 FEBRUARY

**Meditation:** - 'Religion is at its best when it makes us ask hard questions of ourselves. It is at its worst when it deludes us into thinking we have all the answers for everybody else.' Archibald Macleish

**We give thanks for...** those many born abroad who now enrich the life of our nation.

**Please pray....**

- Mon** - for those new to the faith or new to our congregations.
- Tues** - for endangered species, and those who work for their conservation.
- Wed** - for those suffering from loss of hearing, sight or memory.
- Thur** - for the Phyllis Tuckwell hospice, its staff, residents and chaplains.
- Fri** - for victims of injustice or miscarriage of justice.
- Sat** - for the government and people of Zimbabwe.
- Sun** - for the grace to see Jesus in ourselves and other people.

**ALL WEEK** for those who live in Farnham Rd, Fern Drive, Fieldway, Fir Close, Fir tree Way and Firethorn Close.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new or updated this week.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS** - The Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm Monday to Friday.

**LENT BOOK (RECOMMENDED BY CALLY)** - 'Tarry Awhile' by Selina Stone. Also the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2024. Perhaps after Easter we can find an opportunity to discuss together.

**BABY SAINTS** – Baby Saints resumes meeting this week on Wednesday 21 February at FPCC, 10.30 - 11.30am. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

**FAREWELL WALK WITH CALLY** - Saturday 2 March morning from Tilford to Waverley Abbey. Meet at Tilford around 10.30 (will confirm) for round walk, stopping for refreshments at Waverley Abbey. This is about a 4 mile round walk, strong shoes needed. If you'd like to join, do contact Jane.

**TOTAL MONEY RAISED AT GIFT DAY SERVICE AT P&J ON 28 JAN** - for Compass and Jamii charities in Kenya. The money raised from this amounted to £1,704.00 (the equivalent in Kenyan Shillings of Ks 349,378.95!). Comment from Lucy on behalf of the charity "No words can express my gratitude, what a wonderfully generous congregation".

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP GROUP** - Do you like contemporary worship songs (Stuart Townsend, Matt Redmond, Chris Tomlin, Rend Collective etc)? Do you sing or play an instrument to a less than virtuoso standard but would like to play with others for fun with no pressure? Would you like to shake a tambourine just to praise the Lord? If so, Mark would be interested in hearing from you with a view to having some fun informal sessions to see how it leads us. Any instrument to any standard is welcome - but if we get six pianists you may have to bring your own! Email: [vicar@parishoffleet.org.uk](mailto:vicar@parishoffleet.org.uk).

**PARISH QUIZ POSTPONED** – The quiz which was to be held on Saturday 24th February at P&J has been postponed. A new date will be announced soon.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** - Friday 1 March, service prepared by the women of Palestine. 10am at Church on the Heath, 7pm at Fleet Baptist church, Clarence Rd. Come and share fellowship and refreshments. All very welcome to this ecumenical service.

**ALPHA COURSE** - The Alpha course that we started in the autumn continues from Monday 22 Jan and will continue until the end of Feb. There will be no meal before the session but please do come to FPCC from 7pm for coffee and chat. The course will start at 7.30 pm in All Saints Church. All those who were part of the course in the autumn are very welcome to attend – if you would like to start Alpha from the beginning, we hope to start a new course later in the year.

**HART FOODBANK DONATIONS** - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for tinned potatoes, juice, squash, meat, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, pulses, tinned tomatoes. Items can be left in the Foodbank containers in the narthex at Ss Philip & James Church and in FPCC. Thank you, as always, for your donations to the foodbank, they are all very much appreciated.

**HART FOODBANK MANAGER VACANCY** - For further details of the position and an application form please contact Mark Mabin (Chairman) 07534 038457 or email [mark.mabin@hartfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:mark.mabin@hartfoodbank.org.uk). Closing Date for applications is Friday 1 March 2024.

**CLOTHING DONATIONS FOR GIRLS ONLY** - Sizes 4, 5, 6 and 9 please. All Other ages are full! Please drop off at Living Stones. Thank you so much. Emma KCB Co-ordinator.

**OPEN GARDENS IN AID OF PHYLLIS TUCKWELL** – Unique and interesting gardens of all sizes and designs are welcome! Open your garden this spring or summer to raise money for hospice care. To find out more please call 01252 729446 or email [fundraising@pth.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@pth.org.uk).

**PRINTER CARTRIDGES FOR RECYCLING** - The Parish is trialling a scheme to raise funds and help the environment by sending used printer cartridge for recycling. Collection box at FPCC for you to deposit your empty cartridges. It is hoped to have a similar box at P&J later in the year. In the meantime please leave your empty cartridges in the Step by Step box. Unfortunately we can only take branded cartridges such as Hewlett-Packard. If you have any queries please contact Linda Dart.

**STEP BY STEP** – Donations box in the narthex at P&J and in FPCC. Donations of the following items welcome: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gel/cream, soap, shampoo/conditioner. No bath products please. Thank you.

**STAMPS** –Please continue drop off your used stamps into the bag on the notice board at FPCC.

**GIVING OPTION** - You can now donate to parish funds by scanning this QR code with any smart phone with a QR reader on it - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make your donation.



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