



## News Sheet for 1 March - Second 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. We welcome in the name of our Lord all who wish to worship with us, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, sexuality or gender orientation. We rejoice in the fact that we are a very diverse Christian community and see this as our calling under Christ. We work hard in this parish to ensure the safety and safeguarding of all who join us for worship, if you have any concerns in this area, please do let us know immediately. If you have any special needs or would like to speak to a pastoral minister or have someone pray with you, please mention it to a welcomer or member of the ministry team.

There will also be coffee with fellowship available after the service, please do join us for this - you will receive a warm welcome there too.

This is the season of Lent, when we have the chance to reflect on our lives and our habits and to bring them more into line with how God has called us to be.

Today we have two services in our parish:

**8am BCP Holy Communion at P&J**

**10am Parish Eucharist at All Saints (sorry, there is no Godly Play this week)**

May God bless you all,

*Mark*

### PAYING OR GIVING WITH CASH

These are strange and fast changing times we live in! It is becoming very difficult for our office and our treasurer to handle cash transactions, especially as there are no longer any bank branches open in Fleet! Could we therefore ask you, where it is possible, to use BACS, our card readers, or the link on our website to make donations or to pay for things through our office in future? We are grateful for all that you give us, but this would make things much easier if it is possible.

### THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday 1 Mar</b>	<b>Ss PHILIP &amp; JAMES:</b>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion <b>Please Note:</b> This service is at P&J
	<b>ALL SAINTS CHURCH:</b>	10.00am Parish Eucharist <b>Please Note:</b> No Godly Play today
<b>Monday 2 Mar</b>		7.15pm (for 7:30pm start) Bible Course, FPCC
<b>Tuesday 3 Mar</b>		11.00am Prayer Group, All Saints Church 2.00pm Tea & Chat, FPCC
<b>Wednesday 4 Mar</b>		9.30am Holy Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church 10.00am-12.00pm Little Saints, FPCC 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
<b>Friday 6 Mar</b>		10.00am-12.00pm Fun Friday, FPCC

**Saturday 7 Mar** 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors  
**Sunday 8 Mar ALL SAINTS CHURCH:** 10.00am Café Church, FPCC  
6.30pm Choral Evensong  
**Ss PHILIP & JAMES:** 10.00am Parish Eucharist

### READINGS FOR 1 MARCH

[Genesis 12:1-4a](#)

[John 3:1-17](#)

[Romans 4:1-5, 13-17](#)

### SUNDAY SERVICE SLIDES

If you would like to access the slides for this Sunday's service, you can do so on your smartphone or tablet by pointing your camera at this QR code or by clicking on this QR code.



**TODAY'S 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.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:** 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.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Those in urgent need of our prayers including:** Bishop Andrew Watson, Anne Amos, Jean Box, Ethan, Marcia Farrey, Michael Heard, Sylvia Honiwell, Janice Jose, Graham Kitts, Peter Rogers, Andrew Stone, Erica Taylor, Tyler Thompson, Victoria Willis.

#### PLEASE NOTE – THIS LIST IS FOR USE IN PRIVATE PRAYER AND IS NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN INTERCESSIONS IN PUBLIC WORSHIP

**Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers:** Annegret, Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Alan Beckett, Brian Biffin, Marion Brown, Martine Dyer, Patricia Greenway-Quintero, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Jack, Jonah, Bonnie Lewis, Gill Page, Phillip, Peter Rogers, Anne Richardson, John Simson, Violet Slade, Dee Stephenson, Michael Standen, Clare and family, Karen, Barbara Willis.

**Those who have died recently:** John Asprey, Hilary Wigg.

**Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time:** Simon Harvey, Peter Pimm, Walter Pennell, Janet Ellen, Edwina Sims, Albert South, Gladys Ashdown, Patrick Torrie, Peggy Mason, Victor Carr, Jennette Wickes, Anthea Skellett, Joyce Russell, Anthony Brown, Gwendolyn Charlton, Dorothy Middleton, Molly Phillips, Pamela Pool, Kate Gilchrist, Olive Straw, Allan Butterfield.

### PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 2 MARCH

**Meditation:** "But now, says the Lord, come back to me with all your heart. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is all tenderness and compassion, slow to anger and rich in steadfast love." Joel 2.

**We give thanks for ...** the inexhaustible forgiveness of God, which moves us to repentance.

**Please pray....**

**Mon** - for our coffee shop team and all who offer hospitality on our behalf.

**Tues** - for girls and young women denied an education because of their gender.

- Wed** - for our baptism team.
- Thurs** - for the government and people of Venezuela.
- Fri** - for families in conflict, that God will bring healing and reconciliation.
- Sat** - for those who suffer from dementia.
- Sun** - for those we have wronged, those who have wronged us, and those we find it hard to forgive.
- ALL WEEK** for those who live in Gorseway, Gough Rd, Grantley Drive, Greenways, Guernsey Drive, Guildford Rd.

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS** - This week the Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm Monday - Friday.

**PRAYER FOR BISHOP ANDREW WATSON** - Please do continue to keep Bishop Andrew and his family in your daily prayers. Please use this prayer if it is of help.

*'God of our hope and salvation,  
we thank you for Andrew, our brother in Christ and father in God:  
for his discipleship and leadership, and for his love and care of our diocese.  
At this time of his illness, we pray that you would visit him with your healing love,  
comfort and strengthen him with your Holy Spirit,  
and protect him and his family with your holy angels.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen'*

**TEA AND CHAT** - Tuesday 3 March from 2pm at FPCC. All are welcome!

**POSY MAKING FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY** - Sat 14 March, 10am to 12noon in P&J hall. If you can help make posies or contribute greenery, do talk to Barbara Lyons or Jane Jones.

**THE BIBLE COURSE STARTS ON MONDAY 2 MARCH AT FPCC** - Coffee served from 7.15pm, to start the course at 7.30pm. The course is now full. If you've ordered a book, please pay £5 by card (**not cash**) on the first evening. Course continues on 9, 23 and 30 March.

**FUN FRIDAY**- Meets every Friday term time at FPCC, 10.00am-12.00pm. Join us for a relaxed, friendly morning of soft play, craft, toys, books and more. A great space for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers. Bring along parents, carers, grandparents or childminders for a fun start to the weekend. No need to book – just come along. Want to know more, please contact the parish office on 01252 812114 or [office@parishoffleet.org.uk](mailto:office@parishoffleet.org.uk).

**LITTLE SAINTS** - Meets every Wednesday term time at FPCC, 10.00am-12.00pm. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

**FUNERAL OF HILARY WIGG** - Will be on Wednesday 18 March at 2pm at St Philip & St James church and afterwards in the hall. All who knew Hilary are welcome to attend. Dress code is informal. Kathy Andrews.

**QUIET DAY AT LADYWELL CONVENT ON SAT 30 MAY, 10AM TO 4PM** - Sign up sheets at both churches. Limited spaces so do please sign up soon. Please pay £30 (cash or card, **no cheques please**) to Rebecca in the office.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FROM NIGERIA** - Fri 6 March: 10am at Church of our Lady, Kings Rd and 7pm Fleet Methodist church, Reading Road South. All welcome.

**CHRISTIAN AID PLANT AND CAKE SALE AT P&J CAR PARK** - Will be held on Saturday 16 May at 2pm.

**ALAN'S TOMATO PLANTS FOR CHRISTIAN AID SALE MAY 2026** - Orders are now being collated so that you get exceptionally strong plants of the following rare varieties Axiana Cherry, Campari Round, Sungold Cherry, Shirley Round and Crimson Crush an outdoor blight resistant type. Want to know more? Please contact Alan Wilson on [AW629252@aol.com](mailto:AW629252@aol.com). Thank you.

**PALM SUNDAY SERVICE AT P&J** - The Fleet Half Marathon takes place on Sunday 29 March (Palm Sunday) with a race start time of 9.30am but the roads affected early in the route will start to be closed around 8.00/9.00am. Hence, the Palm Sunday service this year will be held at P&J. No service at All Saints.

**GHQ & FRIENDS CONCERT ON SATURDAY 25 APRIL, 7:30PM AT CHURCH ON THE HEATH, ELVETHAM.** Graham Hix is back with his Quintet, featuring vocalist Emma Mabin and Friends from Cody Musical Theatre for a delightful evening of American Songbook Swing, Ballads, Musicals and Comedy. All proceeds are towards Phase 2 of the All Saints, Fleet build. Tickets are £16, available by clicking/scanning the following link: <https://parishoffleet.churchsuite.com/events/gkgo4tpc> or QR code.



**HART FOODBANK DONATIONS** - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for tinned meat, tinned vegetables, fruit squash, coffee - small jars and packets only please, men's and women's deodorant, tissues. Currently we do **not** need any water, pasta, sugar, flour or cereals. We are also unable to accept, any longer, baby milk and baby foods/products. Please do not donate these to the foodbank. 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.

**STAMPS** - Thank you for all your support with used stamps. Please do continue to drop off your used stamps into the bag on the notice board at FPCC.

**STEP BY STEP** - Please leave your donations to Step by Step in the collection boxes, for P&J in the Narthex and in the Coffee Bar at All Saints. They welcome donations of the following items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gels and creams, soap, shampoo and conditioners. No bath products please as the centre only has showers.

**PRAYER BOARD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH** - What would you like us to pray for? Please write down your prayer requests and the prayer group will check it weekly before their Tuesday prayer meetings. Alternatively, you may use this link <https://wpapp.parishoffleet.org.uk/tuesday-prayer-group/> to send your prayer requests via the website.

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



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