



Parish of Fleet
All Saints
St Philip & St James

News Sheet for Sunday 16 March Lent 2

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Sunday – 23rd March – Dick our Parish Safeguarding Officer will be preaching about developing a culture of safeguarding at our 10am Parish Eucharist at Ss Philip & James

Wednesday – 26th March at 12 noon in All Saints the worship crew from All Saints school will be leading a special Lent service for us – **THIS IS OPEN TO ALL, PLEASE DO COME AND SUPPORT THIS IF YOU CAN.**

Sunday 30th March - 10am is Mothering Sunday. There will be a Parish Eucharist for all at All Saints at 10am which will include the 'Cross of Flowers' in memory of all who have mothered us, and the distribution of Mothering Posies.

Monday 28th April – Parish Annual Meeting - 7.30 pm at FPCC - All Members of our electoral role should attend this if they can.

VERY IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

For several weeks now there has been a notice in the newssheet asking for someone to come forward and be our health and safety officer. So far no one has responded. I know this sounds like a big ask, but we really need this role to be filled. If we do not find someone to do this, we may have to severely restrict our activities in the future and stop doing some of the important and exciting things we do for God now, which would be a shame but sadly necessary. Please search your heart and think about whether God might be calling you to this role. We must believe that God has empowered someone amongst us to take this on, with help and training provided of course.

May God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 16 Mar ALL SAINTS CHURCH:	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
	10.00am Parish Eucharist
Ss PHILIP & JAMES	10.00am Family Worship
	5.00pm Pizza and Praise
Tuesday 18 Mar	11.00am Prayer Group, All Saints Church

Wednesday 19 Mar	9.30am Holy Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church 10.00am-12.00pm Baby Saints, FPCC 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
Friday 21 Mar	10.00am-12.00pm Dribbles & Giggles, FPCC
Saturday 22 Mar	10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors
Sunday 23 Mar Ss PHILIP & JAMES	10.00am Parish Eucharist with Godly play
ALL SAINTS CHURCH:	No service

SUNDAY SERVICE SLIDES

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



READINGS FOR SUNDAY 16 MARCH

[Genesis 15.1-12, 17 - 18](#)

[Philippians 3.17-4.1](#)

[Luke 13.31-end](#)

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: Andrew, Jean Belgrove, Alan Brown, Ashley Clarke, Ethan, Marcia Farrey, Harvey, Michael Heard, Sylvia Honiwell, Tyler Thompson, Barbara Willis, Victoria Willis, Barbara Wheeler.

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers: Annegret, Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Alan Beckett, Marion Brown, Martine Dyer, Jack, Cynthia Fowler, Karen Kite and family, Diana, Leo Goodson, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Bonnie Lewis, Ian Lowers, Gill Page, Phillip, Peter Rogers, Anne Richardson, John Simson, Violet Slade, Dee Stephenson, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Clare and family, Karen W.

Those who have died recently: Martin Redgrave, Jim Crowe.

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: Joseph Elliott, Mary Clifford, Ethel Westbrook, Dorothy Burrows, Elspeth Hofman, Barry Perrott, Robert Allen, William Robert Brown, Mona Seaver.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 17 MARCH

Meditation: - 'The most important hour is always the present. The most significant person is precisely the one sitting across from you right now. The most necessary work is always love.'
Meister Eckhart.

We give thanks for... opportunities to stop and enjoy all that God has made.

Please pray....

Mon - for our PCC.

Tues - for those imprisoned because of their race, politics, or faith.

Wed - for those who work in catering and hospitality in our town.

Thur - for the people of Yemen.
Fri - for Fleet Angels and for the foodbank.
Sat - those suffering with orthopaedic conditions.
Sun - we pray for grace to welcome Jesus into our lives.
ALL WEEK for those who live in Hartsleaf Close, Harvest Crescent, Hawkins Way, Hawkley Way, Haywood Drive, Hazeley Drive.

PARISH NEWS AND 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.

BABY SAINTS - Baby 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.

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL - A new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared beginning on 27th March 2025 and ending on 9th April 2025. Every person who wishes to have his or her name entered on the new Roll, whether it is entered on the present roll or not, needs to complete a form which can be found in the narthex at P&J or in the FPCC. Once complete, please put them in the boxes provided or give them to Tina Hayton or the parish office. Forms must be in by 6th April at the latest.

WED 26 MARCH 12PM AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH: - a reflective service for Lent, led by the worship crew from All Saints church. All very welcome.

MON 14 APRIL 7PM: TAIZE SERVICE FOR HOLY WEEK AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH. - All welcome to this reflective and musical service.

SAT 29 MARCH 10AM AT FPCC: POSY MAKING FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY.- Greenery welcome. If you can come along to help make posies, do let Claire or Jane know. Refreshments provided!

QUIET DAY 'CONSIDER THE LILIES' AT LADYWELL CONVENT, GODALMING ON SATURDAY 31 MAY - Sign up sheets at both churches. Limited spaces. Cost: £30 to include lunch and refreshments. Do pay in parish office (cheques to Fleet PCC) when you sign up.

FIND YOUR SHAPE. -**NO** meeting on 17 March. Shape course continues on Monday 24, 31 March and 7 April at FPCC. Coffee served from 7.15pm. A discipleship course, helping you explore your gifts, heart's desires, abilities and experience, to help you better serve the church and community, you can still come along on the night.

MARTIN REDGRAVE FUNERAL - For anyone who would like to come, we will be having a committal service on the 28th March at 2 pm at Redan Chapel, Redan Road Cemetery, Aldershot, Hampshire GU12 4SW

Streaming details for the service of Martin Redgrave at 14:00 (GMT) on Friday 28th March, at Redan Road (was Aldershot) - Chapel, run by A & W Goddard the link is <https://watch2.obitus.com> Username xixe4997, Password 555721

Followed by a service of celebration and thanksgiving at 3.30pm, Christ Church Crookham, Gally Hill Rd, Church Crookham, Fleet GU52 6LH (Streaming information to follow). Everyone is welcome.

COFFEE BAR JOB SHARE – I've been helping in the coffee bar for many years, but now find it too tiring to do 3 hours. Is there anyone who might like to share a shift with me – say one doing 9.30am-11.15am and the other doing 11.00am-12.30pm? Mostly I do Wednesdays with an occasional Friday. If you think this might work for you, please phone Kate Dashwood 01252 617377.

KNITTERS WANTED - Please can you knit a cone cosy for All Saints Church? It is needed to conceal a stack of traffic cones kept in the church to stop cars parking in our lay-by when funerals or weddings are

due to take place later in the day. We will pay for the wool. The shape we need is that of a fir tree in a square planter, 27" high and 12" by 12" for the base.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER REQUIRED - We are looking for a volunteer to be the parish Health and Safety Officer. This is not an onerous job but would benefit from some experience in understanding workplace health and safety issues. Nearly all the appropriate documentation and provisions are in place but we need someone to oversee regular reviews. If you can help, please contact the Vicar or the Churchwardens.

CHRISTIAN AID - Gardeners and cake makers please take note, this year's Christian Aid Plant and Cake Sale will be held on Saturday 17 May at 2pm in P&J car park. This year we mark 80 years of Christian Aid, originally founded to alleviate the wreckage of lives in World War II. While inhumanity and poverty persist, and disasters threaten, we can't stop.

FACULTY FOR DISPOSAL OF PRIEST'S STALL AT P&J - Please be aware that the Parish is applying for a faculty to dispose of the Priest's Stall at P&J (commonly known as the 'Sledge'). Statutory notices are on notice boards at P&J and in FPCC.

ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR PARISH MAGAZINE - If you pay for your parish magazine subscription online, please could you ensure you use the link on the website rather than transferring the payment directly into the CAF account. Many thanks.

HART FOODBANK DONATIONS - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for nappies Size 5 and Size 6, hair conditioner, washing power/detergent, men's shaving/grooming, cooking sauces. Currently we do **not** need any pasta, water, sugar, flour, biscuits. 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. Please could you also drop off any carrier bags that you no longer need, to help us transfer the items to the Foodbank.

STEP BY STEP - Please leave your donations to Step by Step in in the collections 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.

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.

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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