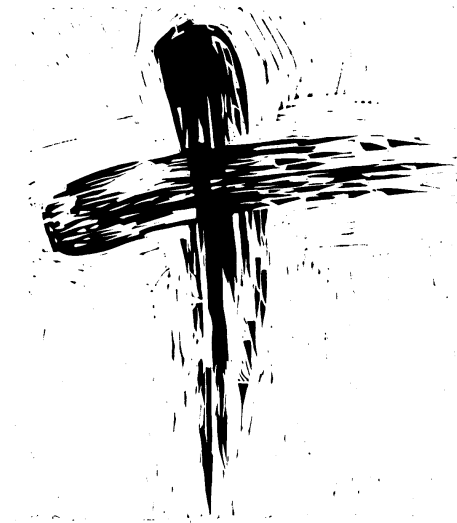


SS PHILIP & JAMES  
WHITTON  
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THE EUCHARIST  
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF  
LENT



*Welcome to Ss Philip & James and St Stephen's Churches. All are welcome at our services as we come together as friends, equals and fellow disciples of Jesus Christ.*

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# THE GATHERING

**Hymn** – *during which the choir and ministers enter the church*

The musical score consists of four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The first system has 8 measures, the second 8 measures, the third 8 measures, and the fourth 8 measures. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, while the bass clef provides a steady accompaniment.

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
  
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

- 3 Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.
- 4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:  
be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 5 High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright sun,  
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Irish, c 8th century tr Mary Byrne (1880-1931)  
versified, Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)*

*The president says*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**All Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.’

The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

*All* **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,

and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

*All* **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

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*In a free style (plainsong) with the emphases on the words. Barlines indicate a pause for breath.*  
*Kyrie*



Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon *you*,  
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,  
confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness,  
and keep *you* in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

**The Collect** - *We wait in silence before the Prayer of the Week is said*

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Old Testament Reading** – *The first reading is written in the second chapter of the book Genesis, beginning at the fifteenth verse [Genesis 2. 15-17; 3. 1-7]*

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, ‘Did God say, “You shall not eat from any tree in the garden”?’ <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, ‘We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, “You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.”’ <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.’ <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.<sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 32**

- 1 Happy the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
and whose sin is covered.
- 2 **Happy the one to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there is no guile.**



- 3 For I held my tongue;  
my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all the day long.
- 4 **Your hand was heavy upon me day and night;  
my moisture was dried up like the drought in summer.**
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you  
and my iniquity I did not hide.
- 6 **I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,'  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**
- 7 Therefore let all the faithful make their prayers to you  
in time of trouble;  
in the great water flood, it shall not reach them.
- 8 **You are a place for me to hide in;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with songs of deliverance.**
- 9 'I will instruct you and teach you  
in the way that you should go;  
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 **'Be not like horse and mule which have no understanding;  
whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you.'**
- 11 Great tribulations remain for the wicked,  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**New Testament Reading** – *The second reading is written in the fifth chapter of the Letter of St Paul to the Romans, beginning at the twelfth verse [Romans 5. 12-19]*

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned — <sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

# Gospel Reading – Matthew 4. 1-11

Taizé Community

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

Capo 3

Dm C F B $\flat$  C Dm C  
Bm A D G A Bm A

In the Lord I'll be e - ver thank - ful, in the

F F/A C B $\flat$  A  
D D/F $\sharp$  A G F $\sharp$  3

Lord I will re - jice! Look to God, do not be a -

Dm C F B $\flat$ 6  
Bm A D G6

fraid; lift up your voi - ces: the Lord is

C Am Dm B $\flat$  C F  
A F $\sharp$ m Bm G A D

near, lift up your voi - ces: the Lord is near.

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,  
in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid;  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near,  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,  
in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid;  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near,  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' <sup>4</sup>But he answered, 'It is written,  
"One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' '

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,  
"He will command his angels concerning you",  
and "On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' '

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' '

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,  
"Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him."' '

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

*At the conclusion of the Gospel*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,  
in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid;  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near,  
lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

## **The Sermon**

**The Creed** - Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

We pray to the Lord for courage to give up other things  
and to give ourselves to him this Lent.

*At the end*

Merciful Father,  
*All* **accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

Be with us, Lord, in all our prayers,  
and direct our way toward the attainment of salvation,  
that among the changes and chances of this mortal life,  
we may always be defended by your gracious help;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## The Peace

Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## Offertory Hymn



- 1 Forty days and forty nights  
thou wast fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights,  
tempted and yet undefiled.

- 2 Sunbeams scorching all the day,  
chilly dew-drops nightly shed,  
prowling beasts about thy way;  
stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.
  
- 3 Let us thine endurance share,  
and awhile from joys abstain,  
with thee watching unto prayer,  
strong with thee to suffer pain.
  
- 4 And if Satan vexing sore,  
flesh or spirit should assail,  
thou his vanquisher before,  
grant we may not faint nor fail.
  
- 5 So shall we have peace divine;  
holier gladness ours shall be,  
round us too shall angels shine,  
such as ministered to thee.
  
- 6 Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,  
ever constant by thy side,  
that with thee we may appear  
at the eternal Eastertide.

God of mercy and compassion,  
your Word calls us home to faith and love.  
Accept all we offer you this day;  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**



## The Eucharistic Prayer

V The Lord be - with - you; R And - with thy - spi - rit.

V Lift \_\_\_\_\_ up your \_\_\_ hearts \_; R We lift them up un - to\_\_ the Lord \_.

V Let us give thanks un - to\_\_ the Lord God; R It is meet and right so - to d o\_\_

It is indeed right,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks  
because you give us the spirit of discipline,  
that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace,  
as we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery  
with mind and heart renewed.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and *singing*:

*Sanctus*

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Lord God of hosts, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord most high.

*Benedictus*

Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the name of the Lord: Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Or, if said:*

**Holy, holy, holy; Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,  
who, in your tender mercy,  
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;  
who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered  
a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction  
for the sins of the whole world;  
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,  
and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit ☩,  
we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine,  
according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
*Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:**  
**Christ is risen:**  
**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,  
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,  
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension  
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise  
and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death,  
and through faith in his blood,  
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins  
and all other benefits of his passion.  
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,  
to offer you any sacrifice,  
yet we pray that you will accept this  
the duty and service that we owe.  
Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,  
and fill us all who share in this holy communion  
with your grace and heavenly blessing;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Standing at the foot of the cross, and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

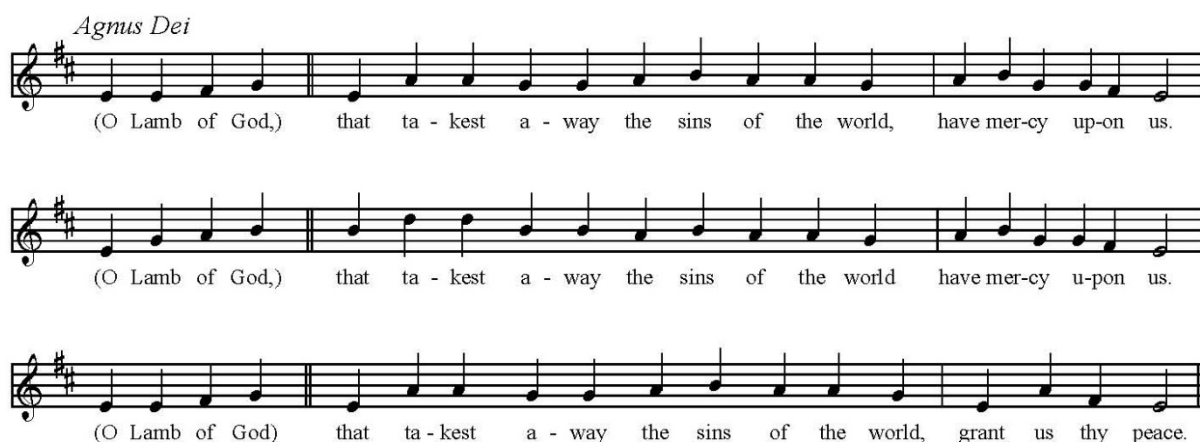
*All* **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,  
**All we proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.**

## Agnus Dei

*Agnus Dei*



(O Lamb of God,) that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

(O Lamb of God,) that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world have mer-cy u-pon us.

(O Lamb of God) that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*Or, if said:*

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

## Giving of Communion

*The president says the invitation to communion*

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

## Communion Hymn

*Slow*

The musical score is written for two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), indicating G major. The tempo is marked 'Slow'. The first system consists of two measures, and the second system consists of two measures. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with a supporting bass line in the bass clef. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady rhythm.

- 1 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
and purge away my sin;  
from earth-born passions set me free,  
and make me pure within.
- 2 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
with care and woe opprest;  
let me thy loving servant be,  
and taste thy promised rest.
- 3 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
amid the battle's strife;  
in all my pain and misery  
be thou my health and life.
- 4 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
nor let me go astray;  
through darkness and perplexity  
point thou the heavenly way.
- 5 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
when flows the tempest high:  
when on doth rush the enemy  
O Saviour, be thou nigh.

- 6 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
that when the flood is past,  
I may the eternal brightness see,  
and share thy joy at last.

**Prayers after Communion - *Silence is kept.***

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. **Amen**

Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

**All** **May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;**  
**we who drink his cup bring life to others;**  
**we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.**  
**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,**  
**so we and all your children shall be free,**  
**and the whole earth live to praise your name;**  
**through Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

# THE DISMISSAL

## Final Hymn

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is G major (one sharp) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system has a comma at the end of the first measure. The second system has a comma at the end of the second measure. The third system has a comma at the end of the first measure. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

- 1 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing,  
if our God our Father be.
- 2 Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;  
all our weakness thou dost know;  
thou didst tread this earth before us,  
thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go.

- 3 Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy:  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.

*James Edmeston (1791-1867)*

## **Blessing**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

## SERVICE TIMES

### **Services for the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b><i>Lent 1</i></b>		
	8.00am	Said Eucharist CW	<b>SsPJ</b>
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist CW	<b>SsPJ</b>
		<i>Junior Church followed by refreshments Genesis 3.15 – 3.1-7 Romans 5.12 -19 Matthew 4.1–11</i>	
	11.15am	Parish Eucharist CW <i>followed by refreshments</i>	<b>SSH</b>
	6.00pm	Lent Choral Evensong	<b>SsPJ</b>
<b>Monday</b>	9.30am	Morning Prayer	<b>Live Stream</b>



<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion 1662 <i>followed by refreshments</i>	<b>SSH</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Morning Prayer	<b>Live Stream</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	Said Eucharist CW	<b>SsPJ</b>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b><i>Lent 2</i></b>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	<b>SsPJ</b>
	9.30am	All Age Eucharist CW <i>followed by refreshments</i> <i>Genesis 12.1–4a</i> <i>Romans 4.1-5, 13-17</i> <i>John 3.1–17</i>	<b>SsPJ</b>
	11.15am	All Age Eucharist CW <i>followed by refreshments</i>	<b>SSH</b>

## NOTICES

### Next Week at St Stephen's

Reader – *Rosemary Raby*

*Genesis 12.1–4a*

*Romans 4.1-5, 13-17*

*John 3.1–17*

Sidesmen – Katie Erskine & Fred Michell

Coffee – Genna Martinez

### Ss Philip & James Annual Parochial Council Meeting

Sunday 26th March 2023 (*Passion Sunday*).

This will be the meeting where the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for 2022 is presented by the Hon Treasurer, Jan Furze. Also, the members of the PCC will be elected/re-elected. If you have a calling to join the PCC then please speak to current members for more information. There are seven meetings per year, split between SsPJ and St Stephens (for some joint meetings), and meetings take place mid week. There will also be elections for the three vacancies on the Deanery Synod. The Synod meets three times a year at different churches in the Deanery. Forms for elections to the PCC & Deanery Synod will be at the back of the church from Sunday 19th

February. These will need completing prior to the APCM and passed to Karen Mackay, PCC Hon Secretary.

Finally, the position of the PCC Hon Secretary becomes vacant at the APCM. If you are interested in the workings of the church at an administrative level, then this position is for you. Please speak to either Fr David or Karen Mackay for more information

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## **New Mindfulness Monday activities**

New for the next session from 2 to 3.30pm on Monday 27th February - geometric patterning, finishing the jigsaw, mindfulness hand massage and connecting with the outdoors session 1. Listening to music, reading poetry and prose, mindfulness colouring and candle contemplation will also be available. It is free and open to all and you don't need to book. See Debby Johnson if you want more details.

## **Hospitality group**

The title of this group is now the "Events and Hospitality Group" and we are looking for new members/ helpers! Please see Karen Mackay for more details.

## **May Fair planning meeting**

A meeting will be held on Tuesday 28th February in the Parish Office at SsPJ from 7.30pm. Please come along if you are interested in getting involved in planning this year's May Fair.

## **Women's World Day of Prayer - Friday 3rd March**

This year, the Women's World Day of Prayer service will take place at St Michael and St Martin's church in Hounslow. The address is 94 Bath Road, Hounslow, TW3 3EH.

The service will start at 11am and refreshments will be served. All are welcome - including men!

## **Confirmations 2023**

It is my intention to present candidates at St Paul's Cathedral for their Confirmation this Easter. If you feel called to confirmation, or your child has expressed an interest, please let Fr David know as soon as possible. Some preparation will be provided

## **Christ Church Feltham**

They are hiring a full-time Operations Manager. The application deadline is midnight 11th March 2023. To find out

more: <https://www.christchurchfeltham.org/jobs>

## **Poetry Competition**

Embracing Age is running a poetry competition with the theme of "Hope in Ageing". It's open to anyone over the age of 50, the shortlisted poems will be published in an anthology and the winning poems will be read by Pam Rhodes on Premier Radio. This is a national competition, but because we're based in the Borough of Richmond we'd love lots of entries from local people. All the details can be found on their website <https://www.embracingage.org.uk/poetry.html>

## **House of Prayer Retreats**

A list of the forthcoming retreats at the House of Prayer in East Molesey can be found at the back of the church or using the links online:

<https://www.christian-retreat.org/individualretreat>, they also, host several regular groups, the details of which are here: <https://www.christian-retreat.org/groups>

## **Fundraising for The Royal Marsden Hospital Cancer Charity**

As most of us will know, for the last 6 months Jacquie Saville has been fighting cancer and is receiving exceptional care from the Royal Marsden Hospital in Chelsea.

Her daughter (Clare) and Emma (daughter in-law) are currently in training for a (frankly quite bonkers) walking challenge they have decided to undertake in aid of The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity, quite clearly a cause very close to their hearts just now. They're going to be walking a total of just over 100 miles over every other weekend for 6 weeks (so 3 walks) in April and May, as follows:

- 29 April - South Downs Challenge - 26.2 miles (most of it up and down) along the coast from Brighton to Beachy Head

- 14 May – “Marsden March”, from Chelsea to Sutton (between the two Marsden sites). That is 15 miles.

- 27-28 May - The Big One - 62 miles (100km) from Richmond upon Thames to Brighton. We will be starting at 7am and probably walking well into the night.

In addition, Clare is walking the Welsh Three Peaks on 25 March, which is 20 miles long (and most of that distance is uphill!) with people from her gym, and will be excellent training for the official walks ahead of her.

*They ask whether:*

a) You'd be willing to sponsor them. They have set up a page on JustGiving, and each has their own page (so that we can share with our own respective friends, workplaces and networks). Therefore, we'd really appreciate it if you could sponsor one or either of us, as the funds feed back into their team as a whole.

Team page is here, and you can select who to support

from: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/savillestriderstriple>

b) Share with anyone you know who knows Clare or her parents (Jacquie and Hugh) and might be willing to support us!

Thank you so much in advance for supporting Clare and Emma! They're both grateful from the bottom of their feet ...

## COVID Pandemic Memorial Service

A memorial service will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 7pm – 8pm at Ss Philip & James Church

A Service of Commemoration for those who lost their lives as a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic. This service marks the third anniversary since the first lockdown.

We will also bless the memorial benches, purchased with funds raised in memory of those who suffered in any way during the pandemic.

<https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/comzik5a>

## CROSSBridges Magazine Subscription

If you wish to subscribe to our excellent joint-parishes Magazine, you can do so in two ways:

Print form            £15 per year – *speak to a sidesman*

Digital Form        £5 per year to your inbox

To subscribe digitally, please use this link:

<https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/daihtsrf>

## Contact Details

If you wish to have your name and contact email address added to our database, please write your details on a separate piece of paper and give it to Fr David. Our database is held on a computer programme called ChurchSuite.

## Social & Fundraising Events 2023

For you to make space in your diaries, we are pleased to announce the following events which are warmly open to members of both parishes:

<b>27<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>MINDFULNESS MONDAY</b> 2.00pm – 3.30pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Church</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/j6uv8pxs">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/j6uv8pxs</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Relax and reflect</li> <li>○ Mindfulness activities</li> <li>○ No booking required</li> </ul> <b>Organiser – Debby Johnson</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>COMMUNITY LUNCHES</b> 12noon – 2pm <i>St Stephen's Parish Hall</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/g09p6slm">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/g09p6slm</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Free lunch provided</li> <li>○ Meet new people</li> <li>○ All welcome</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Sally Billenness</b></li> </ul>
<b>11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>COFFEE MORNING</b> 10am – 12noon <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Parish Hall</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Refreshments</li> <li>○ Raffle</li> <li>○ Traidcraft Stall</li> </ul>

	<a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/ummo4sco">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/ummo4sco</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All welcome</li> </ul>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<p><b>MINDFULNESS MONDAY</b> 6.30pm – 8.00pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Church</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/k7imb9s2">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/k7imb9s2</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Relax and reflect</li> <li>○ Mindfulness activities</li> <li>○ No booking required</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Debby Johnson</b></li> </ul>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<p><b>SPACE</b> 2.30pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Parish Hall</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/aox51lwz">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/aox51lwz</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Refreshments</li> <li>○ Conversation</li> <li>○ Activities</li> <li>○ All welcome</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Peter Lee</b></li> </ul>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<p><b>CRAFTERNOON</b> 2.30pm – 4.30pm <i>St Stephen's Parish Hall</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/aox51lwz">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/aox51lwz</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Arts &amp; Crafts Event</li> <li>○ £5 per entry (materials provided)</li> <li>○ Take what you make</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Sally Billenness</b></li> </ul>
<b>25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<p><b>COMMUNITY GARDEN &amp; COFFEE MORNING</b> 9.30am – 12noon <i>St Stephen's Church &amp; Grounds</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/xtpfyq89">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/xtpfyq89</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gardening &amp; Refreshments</li> <li>○ Bring wellies and tools</li> <li>○ All welcome</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Angela Sharpe</b></li> </ul>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<p><b>MINDFULNESS MONDAY</b> 2.00pm – 3.30pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Church</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/qergtsfp">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/qergtsfp</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Relax and reflect</li> <li>○ Mindfulness activities</li> <li>○ No booking required</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Debby Johnson</b></li> </ul>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p><b>AGAPE MEAL</b> 7.30pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Church moving to the Parish Hall afterwards</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All Welcome</li> <li>○ Full details to follow</li> <li>○ <b>Organiser – Karen Mackay</b></li> </ul>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p><b>GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS WHITTON</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All Welcome</li> <li>○ Full details to follow</li> </ul>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p><b>COFFEE MORNING</b> 10am – 12noon <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Parish Hall</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/pop9diip">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/events/pop9diip</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Refreshments</li> <li>○ Raffle</li> <li>○ Traidcraft Stall</li> <li>○ All welcome</li> <li>○</li> </ul>

<b>15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p><b>QUIZ NIGHT</b> 6.30pm for 7.15pm start <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Parish Hall</i> Tickets £13.50 (including Fish &amp; Chips)</p> <p><a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/ptwxxdvz">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/ptwxxdvz</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All Welcome</li> <li>○ Tickets can be purchased online</li> </ul> <p><b>Organiser – Karen Mackay</b></p>
<p><del>13<sup>th</sup> May</del></p> <p><b>New Date to Confirm</b></p>	<p><b>MAY FAIR 2023</b> <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Church &amp; Grounds</i> Event Page: <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/f8ooiiar">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/f8ooiiar</a></p>	<p>Book this date into your diary now!</p> <p>More details to follow!</p>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<p><b>CORONATION AFTERNOON TEA</b> 3.30pm – 5.30pm <i>Ss Philip &amp; James Parish Hall</i> <a href="https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/dz8a5apj">https://sspjssh.churchsuite.com/event/s/dz8a5apj</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All Welcome</li> <li>○ Ticket information to follow</li> </ul> <p><b>Organiser – Karen Mackay</b></p>

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 26 February – Lent 1

**Prayer Intention: Our Parish Communities**

08:00	Said Eucharist CW	SsPJ
09:30	Parish Eucharist CW <i>Junior Church</i> <i>Chat Room</i> <i>Refreshments</i>	SsPJ
11:15	Parish Eucharist CW <i>Refreshments</i>	SSH
13:30	Private Hall Hire	Parish Hall - SsPJ
18:00	Lent Choral Evensong	SsPJ

Monday, 27 February – George Herbert, 1633

**Prayer Intention: The residents of our parishes**

08:15	Parkside Playgroup	Parish Hall – SSH
08:30	Parish Office Open	
09:30	Morning Prayer [Live Stream]	Facebook
09:30	Fireflies – Parent & Toddler Group	Parish Hall – SsPJ
14:30	Mindfulness Monday	SsPJ
19:30	NCT – Yoga for Pregnancy	Parish Hall – SsPJ
19:30	Online Pilgrim Group	Zoom
20:00	Hounslow Light Opera	Parish Hall – SSH

Tuesday, 28 February

**Prayer Intention: Christian vocations and vocations advisors**

08:15	Parkside Playgroup	Parish Hall - SSH
08:30	Parish Office Open	
09:30	Holy Communion 1662 [Live-Stream]	SSH
10:00	EAL Language Class	Parish Hall – SsPJ
16:30	Rainbow Guides	Parish Hall – SsPJ
19:00	Guides	Parish Hall – SsPJ
19:00	SsPJ Estates Group Meeting	Parish Office SsPJ
19:30	Online Pilgrim Group	Zoom

Wednesday, 1 March – David of Wales c.601

**Prayer Intention: Our families near and far**

Parish Office CLOSED

08:15	Parkside Playgroup	Parish Hall – SSH
09:30	Morning Prayer [Live Stream]	Facebook
09:30	Zumba GOLD	Parish Hall – SsPJ
10:30	Zumba GOLD	Parish Hall – SsPJ
17:15	SKC Twickenham Karate	Parish Hall – SsPJ
18:30	Zumba	Parish Hall – SsPJ
19:30	Online Pilgrim Group	Zoom
20:00	Hounslow & District Aquarists Society	Parish Hall - SSH

Thursday, 2 March - Chad, c.672

**Prayer Intention: Those who provide for our daily needs**

08:15	Parkside Playgroup	Parish Hall - SSH
08:30	Parish Office Open	
09:30	Said Eucharist - [Live Stream]	SsPJ
10:30	Baby & Me	Parish Hall – SsPJ
17:00	Koburakai Karate Class	Parish Hall – SsPJ

Friday, 3 March – Ember Day

**Prayer Intention: Our wardens, Officers and PCC members**

08:15	Parkside Playgroup	Parish Hall – SSH
08:30	Parish Office Open	
09:30	Fireflies – Parent & Toddler Group	Parish Hall – SsPJ
18:00	Junior Choir Practice	SsPJ
19:00	Adult Choir Practice	SsPJ

Saturday, 4 March – Ember Day

**Prayer Intention: Our choir and musicians**

08:00	Strong 30 Hiit Workout	Parish Hall - SsPJ
09:00	Private Singing lessons	SsPJ
12:00	Community Lunches	SSH
14:00	Koburakai Karate Class	Parish Hall – SsPJ