

## Sunday 8th March

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion at St. John's

### 10am Second Sunday Service

Guest: Joelle Mortimer from Babybasics

**Leader & Speaker** Dave Thomas

**Intercessions:** Lucy Bubb

#### Readings

**Romans 4:1-5, 13-17** Mike Tadman

**John 3:1-17**

**Sidesmen** Hilary Few, Janette Tadman

**Sound** David Millward

**Coffee Volunteers**

**Counters** Dave Chambers, Hilary Few

**Duty Churchwarden** Mike Tadman

**Organist** Philippa Penkett

**4.00pm: Celtic Style Evening Service**  
St Mary's Widford

### Electoral Roll

The church electoral roll will soon be revised in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Being on the electoral roll allows members to attend the APCM, be nominated for PCC or church office membership and to vote in elections at the APCM. If you are not already on the electoral roll but would like to join, please see the notice on the lobby noticeboard or speak to any of the churchwarden team.

### Saturday Coffee

7th March

On duty: Dawn Thomas



### Newsletter Content

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman 01245 469124

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**Deadline** Wednesday evening

### HOME GROUP

In response to your Requests for a greater focus on bible study and prayer, Revd Gemma has been leading a home group on the last Thursday evening of the month. The 2nd meeting was 27 Feb with 10 people attending. The final session is on 26 March.

### Thank you

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Spring Clean last weekend - we got lots of jobs ticked off Richard's list!

A big thank you also to everyone who helped with our Pancake Party - before, during, and after. The church was buzzing with children and adults from our community having fun and enjoying our Shrove Tuesday hospitality. There were some very interesting pancake toppings (or filling) combinations too ....

### FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2020 24th Feb - 8th March

In 2020, Fairtrade are continuing the call for cocoa farmers to earn a living income, as well as sharing stories that show the positive impact that Fairtrade has on the women behind your chocolate bar. The Fairtrade Premium and the Fairtrade Minimum Price to drive real change, right now. Fairtrade farmers and workers have a safety net that protects them from low prices for their crops and enables them to choose how they spend their premium. Fairtrade also support women's empowerment and supports farmers to protect the environment.

Chelmsford Star Co-op are promoting the campaign so look out for information in their stores. There is also an event on 5 March at 6pm at The Quadrant, Chelmsford to find out more - and to try out some tasters!

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### Sunday 1st March

### 1st Sunday of Lent

8am: Holy Communion at St. John's

### 10am: Service of Holy Communion

**President & Preacher:** Revd Gemma Fraser

**Crucifer** Mike Tadman

**Servers** Kirsty Davies

**Chalice** Revd Suzanne, Mike Tadman

#### Readings

**Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7** Anna Wood

**Romans 5:12-19** Val Bliss

**Matthew 4:1-11**

**Intercessions** Revd Gemma

**Sidesmen** Dawn Thomas, Chris Fawcett

**Sound** Janette Tadman

**Coffee** Maxine Buck, Mary Marshall

**Counters** Mike Tadman, Janette Tadman

**Duty Churchwarden** Sue Davies

**Organist** Michael Davis

### Collect

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**

### 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.  
**Amen.**

**TO OUR VISITORS** Welcome to our service. The **hymn numbers** are displayed on the boards, and will also be announced. When we come to receive Holy Communion, please see the notes in our **Order of Service**, which are provided for your guidance. We like to mark **birthdays** by singing "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you." If it is your birthday this week, please tell one of the ministers.

**The ministry of Prayer with Laying-on-of-Hands for Healing** is available every Sunday. If you would like this for yourself or another, please speak to one of the Ministers or Churchwardens.

## Readings

### Genesis 2:15-17 3:1-7

<sup>15</sup> 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.'

<sup>3</sup>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.

### Romans 5:12-19

<sup>12</sup> 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.

<sup>15</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> 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.

### Matthew 4:1-11

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."'

<sup>5</sup> 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."'

<sup>8</sup> 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.

## Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, Tammy, Emma, Greta, Carmen, Revd John, Nicky Melvyn, Alina, Margaret, Doug, Dave.

for people to step forward as Churchwardens and PCC members at APCM 19 April

For those named on the prayer board

This week we remember:  
Marion Harris (01.03.2011)  
Jim Jellicoe (02.03.1988)  
Malcolm Wade (02.03.2015)  
Julie Wade (04.03.1984)  
Joan Moorhouse (07.03.2008)

## LENT 2020

Lent is one of the most important times of the year for Christians around the world and it is good to journey together at this time using some shared resources. We are going to use the Church of England resources:

#LiveLent - Care for God's Creation.

With weekly themes and prayers shaped around the first Genesis account of creation, it explores the urgent need for humans to value and protect the abundance God has created.

"This Lent, we hope both adults and children might engage in God's plea for us to "Care for Creation". It is an opportunity for us to re-build our relationship with our planet, and in turn with the God who is Lord of everything" Archbishop Justin Welby and Archbishop John Sentamu.

Please do either pick up a booklet from the back of church or download the app to your phone and share your reflections each week during the "family news" part of the service.

## This Week

The church is open daily for prayer

### Monday 2 March

*Pray for workers in retail outlets and workplace chaplains*

### Tuesday 3 March

*Pray for Lilac Close*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at Church of the Holy Spirit, Widford

### Wednesday 4 March

*Pray for the Salvation Army*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's

9.45am: Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Toddler Group

### Thursday 5 March

*Pray for Peace in Syria and The Middle East*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. John's

### Friday 6 March

*Pray for the schools in our parish*

### World Day of Prayer Service

This year the service has been prepared by Zimbabwe. The nearest service is being held on Friday 6 March, 10am, Little Baddow United Reformed Church, Church Road, CM3 4BE

### Saturday 7 March

*Pray for Yew Tree Gardens*

11am: Saturday Coffee

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Book Club

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Councillors' Surgery

## BabyBasics - Lent Giving 2020

During Lent we are supporting BabyBasics Chelmsford, who are based at Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church. We would like to support financially and also provide some specific items for the Moses basket that is given to each vulnerable mum and baby - please see the display for more information.