Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough





## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March – The Second Sunday of Lent

## Today's Services

**9.00 am** Morning Prayer at St Bartholomew, Wanborough

**10.30 am** Holy Communion at St Laurence, Seale

**10.30 am** Morning Prayer at St John the Baptist, Puttenham

**6.00 pm** Virtual Evening Prayer, by Zoom

For all zoom services please use this link: <u>Church Services</u>, then enter Passcode:

2022

Or by phone - dial one of the following: 0203 901 7895; 0208 080 6591

Meeting ID: 81259506242 – then enter Passcode 2022, followed by # when

asked (you may need to repeat the last step)

Download Order of Service here: Virtual Evening Prayer

## **Today's Readings**

**Morning** HC: Romans 4.1-5,13-17; John 3.1-17

MP: Psalm 121; Jeremiah 22.1-9; Matthew 8.1-13

**Evening:** EP: Numbers 21.4-9; Luke 14.27-33

### **Prayer for this week**

Almighty God,

you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,

that they may return to the way of righteousness:

grant to all those who are admitted

into the fellowship of Christ's religion,

that they may reject those things

that are contrary to their profession,

and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;

through our Lord Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### FROM THE RECTORY DESK

Dear Friends,

Our Lent reflections around Icons of Passiontide and Easter continue at the Church of the Good Shepherd every Monday at 6.00 pm. So far we have explored The Temptation of Christ in the Wilderness, The Lord's Supper and the Agony in



the Garden of Gethsemene. We have been inspired by the paintings as windows into the gospels, the use of colour to present the Divinity and Humanity of Christ, as well as Gold to portray the kingshipand sovereignty of Jesus. Brilliant white emphasises the sense of uncreated and transfigured light. Our next series of Icons will explore the three trials of Jesus, before Ciaphas, Herod and Pilate. Do join us for these studies in which we learn together and find enrichment in our shared interpretations of masterly religious works of art.

You may also like to join us as we study the Gospel of John, meeting on the last Wednesday of the month at St Laurence Church at 2.00 pm The Gospel of John is different to the other gospels and contains the great I AM sayings of Jesus as well as a more philosophical and deeper account of our relationship to God the Father. We use the New International Version of the Bible, copies of which are provided. I look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, can you help with Mothering Sunday flower posies? Please contact Ann Payne if you can.

Blessings,

Rector



Those recently bereaved.
The Ministry of Readers in the diocese
Our Lent reflections with Icons
Food shortages around the world and in the UK

Under GDPR rules we need permission to name verbally or in print anyone who is ill and needs our prayers, so please let us know if we can pray for you.



# Please feel free to do the following if you are vulnerable or concerned about possible infection in a gathered community:

- Continue to use the sanitising gel
- Wear a mask if it feels safer to do so
- Sit at a sensible distance from others, especially at larger gatherings

#### **DIARY FOR THE WEEK**

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 6.00 pm Lent Reflections, at The Good

Shepherd, The Sands.

Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Mar 7.00 pm Choir Practice, at St John the Baptist, Puttenham.



#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Services next Sunday – 19<sup>th</sup> March The Third Sunday of Lent

9.00 am Holy Communion at The Good Shepherd, The Sands

**10.30 am** Morning Prayer at St Laurence, Seale

**10.30 am** Holy Communion at St John the Baptist, Puttenham

**6.00 pm** Virtual Compline, by Zoom

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 12.00 – 2.00 pm Grand Book Sale at Sands Church. All contributions

gratefully received, coffee and cakes provided.

Contact Ann Payne: <a href="mailto:ann.payne303@btinternet.com">ann.payne303@btinternet.com</a>

Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.30 pm Choir Practice, at St John the Baptist, Puttenham.

Tue 21<sup>st</sup> Mar 7.00 pm Choir Practice, at St John the Baptist, Puttenham.

Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Mar 10.00 am – noon Churchyard Tidy-Up at St Laurence, Seale.

Tue 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.30 pm Choir Practice, at St John the Baptist, Puttenham.

Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.00 pm Study of the Gospel of St John, At St Laurence,

Seale.



Please contact the Rector if you are unable to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home.

#### **GIFTING TO THE CHURCH**

**BY BANK TRANSFER OR STANDING ORDER:** to the SPWPCC bank account, which is at Lloyds Bank, Farnham, sort code 30 93 20, account number 02210758, (do

include your name for reference).

**BY CHEQUE:** Send to the Treasurer, c/o The Rectory, Elstead Road, Seale, Farnham, GU10 1JA. Contact the Churchwardens for Gift Aid forms and increase the value of your giving.

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01252 793639 Email: <a href="mailto:cloughley@btinternet.com">cloughley@btinternet.com</a>



Please contact any member of the ministry team if you are anxious, lonely or would just like a spiritual or social chat.

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