Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough





Sunday 19th March -The Fourth Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday

Today's Services

9.00 am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew, Wanborough

10.30 am Holy Communion at St Laurence, Seale

10.30 am A Service of Flowers at St John the Baptist, Puttenham

6.00 pm Virtual Compline, 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 Compline

Today's Readings

Morning HC: 1 Samuel 16.1-13; John 9.1-41

SoF: Exodus 2:1-10 ; Luke 1:46-55

Evening: C: Luke 2.41-52

Prayer for this week

God of compassion,

whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,

shared the life of a home in Nazareth,

and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:

strengthen us in our daily living

that in joy and in sorrow

we may know the power of your presence

to bind together and to heal;

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.

FROM THE RECTORY DESK

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate Mothers and give thanks for all they mean to us. We remember the Mother of Jesus and the example of care and love she has gifted to the church. We also remember the church often described as a mother gathering together every member into the body of Christ.



We join together in this prayer for mothers as we worship together and share gifts of flowers.

On this fourth Sunday of Lent, we thank you for mothers. Thank you for those who gave birth to us and who raised us. Thank you for their sacrifice, patience, and love. Thank you for ways our mothers helped us to see something of your love through their lives.

We pray that you would bless all mothers with all they need to fulfil the calling you have given them. Give them wisdom, strength, and vision. Fill them with your love and goodness. We pray especially for those who are struggling to be faithful mothers, that you will give them an extra measure of your grace today.

We also pray for those for whom this is a difficult day: for children who have lost their mothers, for mothers who have lost children, for mothers and children who are estranged from each other, for those who would like to be mothers but are not, for those whose memories of their mothers are painful, and for so many others. May those who hurt today know that you are with them in their pain. Heal their hearts and give them hope, Lord. Wrap them up in your arms of love.

Mother's Day Blessings,

Rector



All mothers and grandmothers
The mission of our Mother Church
Mary the mother of Jesus and her patronage
Civil unrest in Israel
The Governing Body at Puttenham C of E School

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 20th Mar 6.00 pm Lent Reflections, at The Good

Shepherd, The Sands.

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



PLEASE NOTE: THE IMPERIAL COLLEGE CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT PLANNED FOR SATURDAY 25TH MARCH HAS UNFORTUNATELY BEEN CANCELLED.

Services next Sunday – 26th March

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.00 am Morning Prayer 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 Evening Prayer, by Zoom

FUTURE EVENTS

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

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

Wed 29th Mar 2.00 pm Studies in 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.

CONTACTLESS: now available at Seale, Puttenham and Wanborough.

ONLINE: once or monthly by following this link, where you will find a Gift Aid option. **PARISH GIVING SCHEME** To change your regular Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) donation, please write to: Parish Giving Scheme, 76 Kingsholm Road, Gloucester GL1 3BD, email to info@parishgiving.org.uk or phone 0333 002 1260. It helps to include the PGS reference number, which can be found below your address on PGS correspondence. If you would like to start a regular PGS donation, or have any questions, please contact Mike Cloughley, our PGS coordinator: Telephone number:

01252 793639 Email: cloughley@btinternet.com



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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