

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	22 nd	
Tuesday	23 rd	2000 Lent Study Group via Zoom 2100 Online Compline
Wednesday	24 th	2000 Zoom PCC Meeting 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	25 th	2100 Online Compline
Friday	26 th	
Saturday	27 th	
Sunday	28th	0800 Online Said Eucharist 0915 Zoom YACC 1030 Zoom Service 1700 Lent Study Group via Zoom

News

Lent 2021:

2021 Lent Study Groups on Zoom

This Lent, we are following the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book 'Living his Story' by Hannah Steele. Join us whenever you can: Sundays @5pm or Tuesdays @8pm from 21st February to 30th March.

For log-in details, please e-mail: curate@stfranciswgc.org.uk

Ride & Stride 2021

Get ready to go the extra mile for St Francis Church!

Following on from the amazing success of 2020's R&S (not forgetting the health benefits of exercising whilst raising monies for SF Church!)

Takes place during the Easter school holidays from 27th March to 11th April where you can bike, scooter, trike, run, walk, ... anytime. Prizes for the most miles/ steps covered. If you can't take part yourself, would you consider a donation or sponsor any of our active SF members. Contact: Rachel Hickey: rachelhickey.stfranciswgc@outlook.com

URGENT: Please help us, DO NOT SHARE out any Zoom links yourself, please let us know asap and we'll do it directly. Email:

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IMPORTANT: In order to enable us to safeguard the attendance of all our parishioners online, please identify yourselves - FAMILY NAME only during your login, as this will help us to identify you for admittance. Thank you.

URGENT NEED FOR A PCC Secretary!!! If you feel you may be able to help (you do not need to be a PCC member already), please do talk to Rev'd Jenny.

Welcome

Sunday 21st February 2021 (ONLINE WORSHIP)

First Sunday of Lent

Services Today

8am ONLINE Said Eucharist

9:15am ZOOM Youth & Children's Church

(For login, please contact: children@stfranciswgc.org.uk)

10:30am ZOOM Service

(For login, please contact: admin@stfranciswgc.org.uk)

Music

Hymns: Not applicable

Congregational setting: Not applicable

Choir: See note above

Organ: N/A

5pm ZOOM Lent Study Group

(For login, please contact: curate@stfranciswgc.org.uk)

This week we pray for all who live and work in Farm Close and Lanefield Walk.

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Onsite Closed but Working remotely from Home

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Sunday 14th February 2021
First Sunday of Lent

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.

Genesis 9: 8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark.

I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.'

God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God

and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.'

God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

1 Peter 3: 18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited

patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Mark 1: 9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.

He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

Next Readings: Sunday 28th February 2021

Genesis 17: 1-7,15-16; Romans 4: 13-25; Mark 8: 31-38