

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	8 th	
Tuesday	9 th	2000 Zoom Standing Comm. meeting 2000 Zoom Lent Study Group 2100 Online Compline
Wednesday	10 th	2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	11 th	2100 Online Compline
Friday	12 th	
Saturday	13 th	
Mothering Sunday	14 th	0800 Online Said Eucharist 1030 Mothering Sunday - Zoom Service for all ages 1700 Zoom Lent Study Group

* **We continue to review the situation on resuming face-to-face services in church.** We will update you as soon as we receive the latest CoE guidelines on several issues (e.g. hymn singing, choir, etc).

DO NOT SHARE out any Zoom links yourself, please let us know asap and we'll do it directly. E-mail:

admin@stfranciswgc.org.uk OR
curate@stfranciswgc.org.uk

IMPORTANT: In order to enable us to safeguard the attendance of all our parishioners online, please ensure your log-in id is your FAMILY NAME, as this will help us to identify you for admittance. TQ.

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.

News

Next Sunday (14th Mar): No Zoom YACC @9:15am. Join us at the 10:30am for (Mothering Sunday) All age service on Zoom!
IMPORTANT: APCM is now Sunday 23rd May, after the 10am Pentecost - Family Communion Service

Note: The usual annual Revision of the Electoral Roll will take place when church resumes (face-to-face) public worship services on site.

2021 Lent Study Groups on Zoom
We are following the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book 'Living his Story' by Hannah Steele. Join us: Sundays @5pm or Tuesdays @8pm from now until to 30th March.

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

Ride & Stride 2021

Takes place during the Easter school holidays from 27th March to 11th April where you can bike, scoot, 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

Welcome

Sunday 7th March 2021 (ONLINE WORSHIP)

Third 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 Hobbs Way and Scotts View.

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Sunday 7th March 2021
Third Sunday of Lent

Collect

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

Exodus 20: 1-17

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

John 2: 13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables.

Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables.

He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!'

His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'

The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.'

They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?'

But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Next Readings: Sunday 14 March 2021 MOTHERING SUNDAY
Colossians 3: 12-17; John 19: 25b-27