

## Services & Diary Dates

Monday	7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>2100 Online Compline</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	1000 Baby Group <b>1930 Said Eucharist</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1030 Said Eucharist</b> 1000 Toddletime Playgroup <b>2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting</b>
Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>2100 Online Compline</b>
Friday	11 <sup>th</sup>	1900 Choir Practice
Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>0800 Said Eucharist</b> <b>0915 Parish Communion</b>

**Sunday Parish Coffee, Wednesday Coffee for All and Thursday Lunches and serving of food and drink has resumed.** Thank you to all team leaders and their volunteers for their service throughout these difficult times. Despite COVID-19 we assure all that we continue to practise the highest standards of cleanliness and hygiene.

**Amanda and Abigail Williams** have successfully completed their Thames Winter Challenge Walk in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust and BEAT UK's Eating Disorder respectively. They have posted an update on our main notice-board. Please support their efforts by donating to their Justgiving pages directly. Thank you.

## News

### Join us for Lent 2022 - Living in Love and Faith Course:

We explore how questions about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage fit within the bigger picture of the good news of Jesus Christ.

**All are welcome.** All sessions are on Wednesdays: 8 to 9:30pm but venues alternate between our church and St Mary Magdalene, Hollybush Lane, WGC.

9<sup>th</sup> March @ St Francis  
16<sup>th</sup> March @ St Mary Magdalene  
23<sup>rd</sup> March @ St Francis  
30<sup>th</sup> March @ St Mary Magdalene  
6<sup>th</sup> April @ St Francis

There will be a **Confirmation Service** on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May @ 9:15am. If anyone is interested in being confirmed, please speak to the Vicar before the end of January.

### Monetary Collection during the Offertory hymn has resumed.

#### REMINDER:

**Keep your masks on whilst on the premises!**

**Use hand sanitiser gel upon entry & exit**

**One way entry/exit**

## Welcome

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### 4th Sunday before Lent

#### Services Today

**8am SAID EUCHARIST**

**9:15am PARISH COMMUNION**

*Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - All are welcome.*

*Youth & Children's YACC sessions take place in their usual age groups within the Govt's COVID-19 guidelines.*

**Church Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1 & 2, 3 & 4 - Hall**

*(Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)*

**Years 5 - 7 Song School; Year 8 upwards in the Cellar**

*Music Hymns to be sung by the congregation with masks on!*  
**492 391 622 424 (omit starred verses)**

Choir: Darke in F

Byrd - Sacerdotes domini

*(English long translation: then did priests make offering of incense and loaves of finest wheat to God and therefore shall they be holy to their Lord God and shall not defile His most holy name. Alleluia.)*

This week we pray for all who live and work in Parkfields.

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**Sunday 6 February 2022**

**Collect for 4th Sunday before Lent**

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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.

**Collect for Accession Day**

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and all who are in authority under her; that they may order all things

in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour and glory of your name and the good of your Church and people; 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.

**Isaiah 6: 1-8**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.

And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.

The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

**1 Corinthians 15: 1-11**

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed

to you - unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.

Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

**Luke 5: 1-11**

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.'

When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break.

So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.

But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!'

For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.'

When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.

**Next Sunday: Jeremiah 17: 5-10; 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20; Luke 6: 17-26  
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