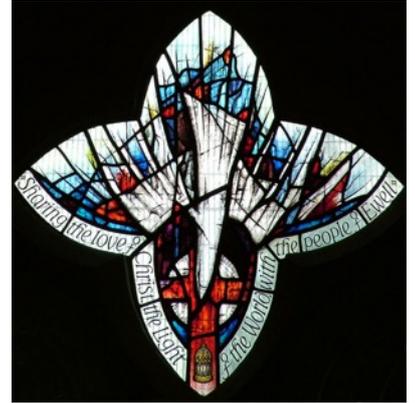




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## The Vicar writes

On a training course some years ago, I remember being told that every church needs a "unique selling point"- something that no other church has, which will draw people to it. I said that I thought what was unique about every church was its place: the geographical location, and the communities around it. The lecturer didn't seem to think that was much of a USP, but to me the Church of England's parish system, which so values place and community, is as essential now as it ever was. In fact, I would say, in a society where many people are more disconnected from their locality and often don't know their neighbours, the parish church system is precisely what we need. When people move into Ewell, sometimes not knowing the area or anyone who lives here, coming to church can give a sense of belonging, of rootedness, which is hard to find otherwise.

I recently stayed for a couple of days in a business hotel while accompanying my wife on a conference. Very nice it was too. But while it happened to be in Helsinki, the rooms, the menus, and so on could really have been almost anywhere. I don't think churches should be like that. I think they should be intimately connected with the people and places around them.

Part of the idea of the Church of England's parish system is that everyone who wants to can belong, just by virtue of living locally. You don't have to pass any membership test to have a baptism, or wedding, or funeral in our church. The church serves you because you are part of the local community. In this, I think, we can just glimpse a local expression of God's universal love for all people, and the equal worth of every human being which arises from the Christian vision.

Of course, our church is very much enriched by those who come a little further to church and who live outside our parish boundary. A parish boundary is certainly not meant to be a border! But it does mean that no street should get overlooked, as every street in our parish is prayed for, week by week. Every household has a church they can look to as their own, even if many churchgoers choose another church for all kinds of very valid reasons.

In the coming weeks, a new retirement village, Nonsuch Abbeyfield, will be opening in Ewell. Further developments are taking place in Seymour Gardens and Villiers Court. New members of our community will be moving in, and I hope all who do so know that they are welcome at St Mary's which is already - if they want it to be - theirs.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Like every organization, St Mary's needs to consider how it will function in case of an emergency. If events or services have to be changed at short notice, we would endeavour to let people know on our website, on Facebook, on posters, and using our General Mailing List. Can I encourage all EPN readers who use email to join our General Mailing List if you aren't already - you will only receive a few emails per year, but it means you will be up to date in case of emergency changes. You can sign up at <https://www.stmarysewell.com/newsletter/>.

At church we are holding in prayer all those affected by the Coronavirus. We will also be keeping up to date with the latest

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es in our church hall  
(London Rd, opposite  
the church) between  
12 and 1.30pm.

Soup, sandwiches,  
salad, and cakes,  
with tea, coffee, and  
soft drinks.

Everyone welcome!

guidance and best practice from the Government and from the central church authorities.

**LENT CHARITY**

At St Mary's in Lent we are encouraging people to support SSAFA, the Armed Forces charity. Addiction, relationship breakdown, debt, homelessness, post-traumatic stress, depression and disability are all issues that can affect members of the Armed Forces. SSAFA helps the armed forces community by providing direct support to individuals in need of physical or emotional care. You can collect cash using one of the boxes available in church (to be returned to church at Easter), or make a donation online at [www.ssafa.org.uk](http://www.ssafa.org.uk). Of course you may have another cause or charity you wish to support during Lent.

**IN CHURCH IN MARCH**

Every Sunday begins with our simple said service of Holy Communion at 8am in the side chapel. At 9:30am the Sung Eucharist includes hymns, choral music, a sermon, and Holy Communion, with children's hour (our Sunday school). It's followed by coffee, usually in the hall. Other services vary each Sunday in the month.

On Sunday 1 March, our all-age Praise@11 service is focussed on Lent and we will be welcoming Cathy Ellis from the charity Spinnaker. We will be finding out about the Easter Experience, which St Mary's is hosting on 4 and 5 March. Three schools will be coming into church to experience the story of the passion and Easter, in a fully immersive, dramatic, interactive retelling of the narrative at the heart of our faith. I hope that as well as our Praise@11 regulars many of our congregation from 9:30am will be able to stay to 11am to find out a bit more about this exciting new venture at our church. From St Mary's side, the project is being led by Leanne Newman, our children and families worker.

Bach on Tuesdays continues on 3 March at 1.05pm, a free half-hour Bach recital. You can grab lunch across the road in the hall beforehand, Cafe NESCOT is from 12noon.

Our Lent group "Faith and film" begins on Wednesday 4 March and will be every Wednesday evening for five evenings in total. There will be refreshments from 7.30pm and we will start at 7.45pm and finish promptly at 9.15pm. Each session will focus on a different film, and be led by a different leader. The sessions will include a short film or clips as a basis for our discussion, and there will be a talk from the leader as well as some time to talk in groups. Full details of each evening's topic can be found on page 1.

Services on Sunday 8 March include 11:15am Choral Mattins, and 5pm All-in followed by Club Sandwich (for 7-12s).

On Sunday 15 March our monthly service especially for toddlers is at 11am: Toddle Up! Please note this won't be the annual service celebrating baptism, which has been postponed till April. At 5:30pm our regular monthly service of Choral Evensong takes place.

Our first Saturday evening recital of the year is at 7:30pm on 21 March. Jonathan Holmes will be playing great British organ music including Howells Rhapsodies, Elgar Marches, and music by W.T. Best, Healey Willan, and Yorke Bowen. Tickets on the door.

Mothering Sunday this year is on Sunday 22 March, so there is a special all-age service at 11am. This Praise@11 for Mothering Sunday is always a popular one. Friday Flix is our free, monthly after-school film showing in church, a different family friendly film each month: come along on Friday 27 March at 3:45pm. Because of the date of Mothering Sunday, Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism is on Sunday 29 March, with singing led by St Mary's Singers.

Your friend and Parish Priest

Russell Dewhurst

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

On behalf of your new finance team I am delighted to provide my first financial update in EPN summarising the year end position as at 31 December 2019, highlight some of our initiatives for 2020 and touch on priorities for the future.

We are currently working on finalising the 2019 year end accounts, in conjunction with the external auditor, which will be presented to the PCC in March and then submitted to the Charities Commission. As a result, the following 2019 figures are all based on unaudited management accounts.

During 2019 the PCC committed significant Church funds towards improving the Church building and pastoral projects, including addition of the new toilets, maintenance of our iconic organ and introducing a Children and Families liaison role. We see these investments as being hugely beneficial to the Church and the wider community.

We want to continue to make improvements to the Church and in 2020 special projects already incurred or planned include the replacement of the Church hall furniture, enhancing the Church hall boundary, improving the AV facilities, increasing car parking availability and assessing monuments in the Churchyard, as well as maintaining our existing commitment to publicity development and the Children and Families liaison role.

Special projects are considered separately from the general operating income and expenditure of the Church in our management accounts, although are reported together in the annual accounts.

The general operating position of the Church in 2019 (excluding legacies and expenditure from these gifts) reflected income of £147k (2018: £127k, 2017: £122k) and expenditure of £171k (2018: £153k, 2017: £147k), which were both impacted by costs incurred as a result of the burglary and subsequent insurance recoveries. As a result net outgoing resources were -£24k (2018: -£26k, 2017: -£25k). I recently presented our budget for 2020 to the PCC, which shows a projected continuation in the gap between income received and necessary expenditure.

A key initiative for 2020 is focusing on how the Church might reduce expenditure, without impacting pastoral needs, and also increase income. As part of this we asked you to complete a short survey in September 2019 to gather your feedback on 1) what the Church is doing well, and 2) what the Church could improve. We are keen to incorporate your views in our future plans.

In terms of the future, we have reinvigorated our Church Development Plan and will use this to ensure that the pastoral needs of the Church continue to be met whilst finances are closely managed, which together will ensure we have a sustainable Church fit for the future.

I look forward to providing more detail on our plans at the Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April. In the meantime if you have any feedback or ideas on the above please let me know.

John Baker, Treasurer  
[treasurer@stmarysewell.com](mailto:treasurer@stmarysewell.com)

## THE SEASONS IN THE CHURCH'S YEAR, CONTINUED .....

from Candlemas, to Ordinary Time, Ash Wednesday and Lent

Candlemas, celebrated on 2 February, brought our Christmas celebrations to an end, and we have been in Ordinary Time, when the liturgical colours of the vestments, altar frontals and pulpit hanging changed from the Gold and White of the Christmas Season, back to Green. There are two periods of Ordinary Time during the year, the first of which is from now until Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. The second comes after Pentecost (May/June) and lasts until November.

Ash Wednesday is on 26 February, and marks the beginning of Lent. The liturgical colour changes again, this time to Purple as we focus strongly on penitence, repentance and confession. 'Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ' - the chilling words spoken as we receive the imposition of ashes on our foreheads, remind us of the reality of our own mortality, and yet our hope is in Christ, our Saviour, whose unfailing love will never abandon us.

Lent is the most penitential of seasons, lasting 40 days and nights. Since early days Christians have observed with great devotion the time of our Lord's passion. It became the custom of the Church to prepare for this by a season of penitence and fasting, recognising that, by a careful keeping of these days, all Christians might take to heart the call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel, and so grow in faith and in devotion to our Lord.

Churches are kept bare of flowers and decoration. The Gloria is not used. The fourth Sunday of Lent was allowed as a day of relief from the rigour of Lent, and the Feast of the Annunciation almost always falls in Lent; these intervals are the background to the modern observance of Mothering Sunday (22 March).

As Holy Week approaches, the atmosphere of the season darkens; the readings begin to anticipate the story of Christ's suffering and death, and the reading of the Passion Narrative gave to the Fifth Sunday its name of Passion Sunday.

As together we remember our Lord's forty days and nights in the wilderness, so we reflect on the wilderness experiences we all know, both in the world's suffering and our own. The wilderness is the place of desolation, of temptation, with stumbling blocks along the way. Yet the wilderness can also be a time of growth - as we learn through our difficulties, have time to reflect, and seek to find God's presence in that place. So may our walk together through Lent with Jesus, lead us to know God's loving presence in all the trials of life, turning stumbling blocks to stepping stones

*Maggie Marsh*

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£1.50 per child participating in the session—  
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Any questions or queries please contact Leanne Newman on [families@stmarysewell.com](mailto:families@stmarysewell.com) or 07447389753

Lord, as we enter Lent help us to draw near to you in praise, stripping away all that distracts us from worship.

As Jesus resisted temptation by the devil in the wilderness, help us reflect on his faithfulness to God, his rejection of worldly values and hold these thoughts in our hearts throughout Lent and beyond.

Jesus, you prayed and fasted. As your disciples, teach us about spiritual discipline in our relationship with you.

Lord may Lent be a time of inward searching that makes us more able to look with compassion at the needs of the world.

Thank you, Lord, for 'desert' experiences, when being confronted with ourselves makes us realise our need of you.

Lord, we ask that you guide us through the difficult days of Lent, encouraging us along the way. We pray as we move towards the darkest day, that you will not forsake us but remind us of our Saviour's ultimate gift and promise of new, abundant, eternal life for all who believe and trust in him, your precious son, Jesus.

AMEN

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

### HOLY BAPTISM

'At the font we were marked with the Cross on our brow, of our grace and our calling the sign.'  
(AMR 541)

26 January Olivia Summer Klelia Applasawmy  
Joseph Daniel Hobday  
Shaan Marcus Lokye  
9 February Ronnie Peter Fordham

### FUNERALS

I will come again and take you to myself  
(St. John 14:3)

30 January June Margaret Wales, aged 91  
4 February Patricia Dorothy Taylor, aged 88

## BACH ORGAN RECITAL TUESDAY JANUARY 21

January 21 was an important day in the musical calendar of St. Mary's. This was the occasion of the first recital of Jonathan Holmes' Odyssey through the complete organ works of Bach over the next couple of years. For Jonathan this has been a long held aspiration since his student days at Oxford. He was inspired by his organ professor, James Dalton, who himself had undertaken this great challenge.



The series got off to a terrific start with performances of the Trio Sonata in C BWV 529 and the Prelude and Fugue in E minor BWV 548.

Before the concert Jonathan reminded us that St Mary's magnificent Father Willis organ of 1889 was built around the same time and is similar to the one in Truro Cathedral.

Before he played Jonathan spoke interestingly about a few of the various organ stops such as the flute and piccolo that he would be using. These were most effective in the first piece - BWV 529 - written in the late 1720's. This was composed in the style and technique of a trio Sonata such as those by Vivaldi, a composer whose works he clearly admired.

This beautiful piece was followed by the Prelude and Fugue in E minor known as the "Wedge". According to the programme this is Bach's longest organ fugue and possibly the most challenging one to perform. It brought the recital to a triumphant finish.

Often an organist is nearly invisible but thanks to the split screens showing Jonathan and the console and pedal board we are able to see his every movement adding to the enjoyment of the concert. It's particularly impressive to see the fugue theme played on the pedal board.

The whole experience makes this music extremely accessible to someone such as myself who has limited knowledge of the organ and its repertoire.

I feel we are fortunate to be able to walk into St Mary's away from the bustle of everyday life and be immersed in wonderful music superbly played. The next recital will be on Tuesday 3 March 1.05 - 1.35

BS

## World Day of Prayer

### RISE, TAKE YOUR MAT & WALK

This year, the World Day of Prayer Service for Ewell and Stoneleigh will be held at the **Stoneleigh Methodist Church, Stoneleigh Crescent, KT19 0RT. Friday, 6 March 2 pm.**

Parking may be difficult so please car share if possible. If this time is not convenient for you then details of other services held in this area can be found on the WDP website: [wwdp.org.uk](http://wwdp.org.uk). Refreshments will be served after the service.

DB

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Enjoy half an hour of sublime music on our fabulous Henry Willis Organ from 1.05-1.35 pm. There is a report of the January recital on page 6. The next recital is on 3 March and the programme is:

Prelude and Fugue in A minor BWV 559  
2 Chorale Preludes on The Creed:  
Wir glauben all an einen Gott BWV 765  
Wir glauben all an einen Gott BWV 740  
Toccata and Fugue in F major BWV 540



**18 JULY - SAVE THE DATE**



Planning has now started for this year's Fair. We now need volunteers to help with the event. We have 3 positions that do not necessarily commit to helping on the day!

We need someone to update the Advertising Banners - this involves changing the date, contacting the places that kindly allow us to put the banners up and then organise putting them up and taking them down - this is a really important role because it advertises the Fair locally and at very little cost!

We need someone to organise making sandwiches so that we can sell them on the day. The only commitment for the day is to make sure they are delivered on the Saturday morning!

We also need someone to sell advertising space in the fair programme. This involves contacting last year's advertisers and seeking new advertisers. Help could be given.

If you would like to volunteer - we would love to hear from you. Please contact me (Harvey Morris) on 07775 865303 or hmorris687@btinternet.com. Many thanks.

*Harvey (Chair of the Fair Committee)*

## ANNUAL BOARD GAMES AFTERNOON January 25



Board games afternoon was introduced to St Mary's by Russell when he became our vicar. A keen games player, Russell enjoys an opportunity to introduce us to a wide range of board games old and new.

About 36 people, aged from 7 to 98, enjoyed some delicious cakes and convivial entertainment playing a variety of board games. Apart from the traditional Scrabble, players experienced some of Russell's more unusual games selection as well as games brought in by those attending. I took part in a game related to the London Underground, visiting stations and laying lines as we went. Very educational and line laying was certainly faster than the Crossrail project.

Everyone agreed that the afternoon was such fun and it was suggested that we hold another board games afternoon later in the year.

*JD*

## ORGAN RECITAL Jonathan Holmes

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## FAMILY FLIX

The silver screen came to St Mary's on Friday 24 January, we welcomed young and old into the church to watch a family friendly film together. This was a very exciting community event bringing the community into the church space. We thoroughly enjoyed sitting in the pews, eating popcorn whilst watching Disney's 'Toy Story' on the big screen and luckily the technology worked as it should and all who came had a fantastic time. The next two Family Flix films will be held on Friday February 28 and Friday March 27 at 3.45pm. Clues for the next choice of film will be out shortly. If you have any family friendly film requests, please do email them to me at:

[families@stmarysewell.com](mailto:families@stmarysewell.com).

Leanne

## FOODBANK WISH LIST



The list of things needed by the Foodbank this month seems longer than ever. One of the items on the list is **tinned meat pies - without alcohol**. Foodbank is unable to give out alcohol of any kind which includes food that has alcohol as part of its ingredients.

Other items requested are:

**tinned fish, tinned meat, sponge puddings, UHT milk – full cream, powdered milk – all varieties, sugar - small bags only, noodles, nappies size 6 and 6+, clothes washing liquid, ladies deodorant and shaving foam.**

Not needed are:

baked beans, pasta, pulses, rice, tinned soup and cereal.

Thank you for your support.

DB

## EASTER LILIES

Spring will soon be upon us, the dark winter days will be behind us and with that we can look forward to all the spring flowers, and buds on the shrubs and trees, reminding us of the gift of the circle of life. Fresh flowers in church are a popular way of celebrating this season of regeneration. Once again you are invited to sponsor a lily in memory of a loved one which will be combined with the floral displays that are being planned by the team for St Mary's this Easter.

Lilies are £3.50 each. Last date for ordering is Monday 23 March. Please contact Lucy or Sybil or email [flowers@stmarysewell.com](mailto:flowers@stmarysewell.com) with details of how many lilies you would like and the name of the person/s to be remembered. Cash is preferred, or cheques can be made payable to St. Mary's Flower Arrangers and given to Lucy or Sybil, or alternatively dropped in to the Parish Office in an envelope.

LM

## THE ECO-GROUP'S TIP FOR MARCH TO HELP REDUCE CLIMATE CHANGE!

Each month during 2020 the members of St Mary's eco-group will be suggesting action for you to consider adopting as part of your everyday living - with the purpose of better caring for God's creation.



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If you have any ideas you'd like to feed in or a favourite tip to share please get in touch with the Reverend Sue Ayling: [assistantpriest@stmarysewell.com](mailto:assistantpriest@stmarysewell.com) or 020 8337 6347.

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE



Our annual service to mark the celebration of marriage takes place on a Sunday near St Valentine's Day and those who have been married at St Mary's are invited to attend the service. This year the service, which included a baptism, was held on 9 February and we welcomed 118 adults and children to our church.

The hymns and readings were those that are frequently chosen for weddings. The first reading was taken from St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians chapter 13, which is the well-known passage about love. The second reading was taken from St John's Gospel chapter 2, the Wedding at Cana in Galilee. The preacher was the Vicar.

Afterwards those invited enjoyed a glass of "fizz" with members of the regular congregation.

We have just begun the time called **LENT**  
 It is the time each year when we think about what it really means to be a follower of Jesus.

Fill in the 4 letters of **LENT** in the gaps to make 4 six-letter words.

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How many days did Jesus stay in the desert?

Colour the squares with the numbers 6, 8 and 10

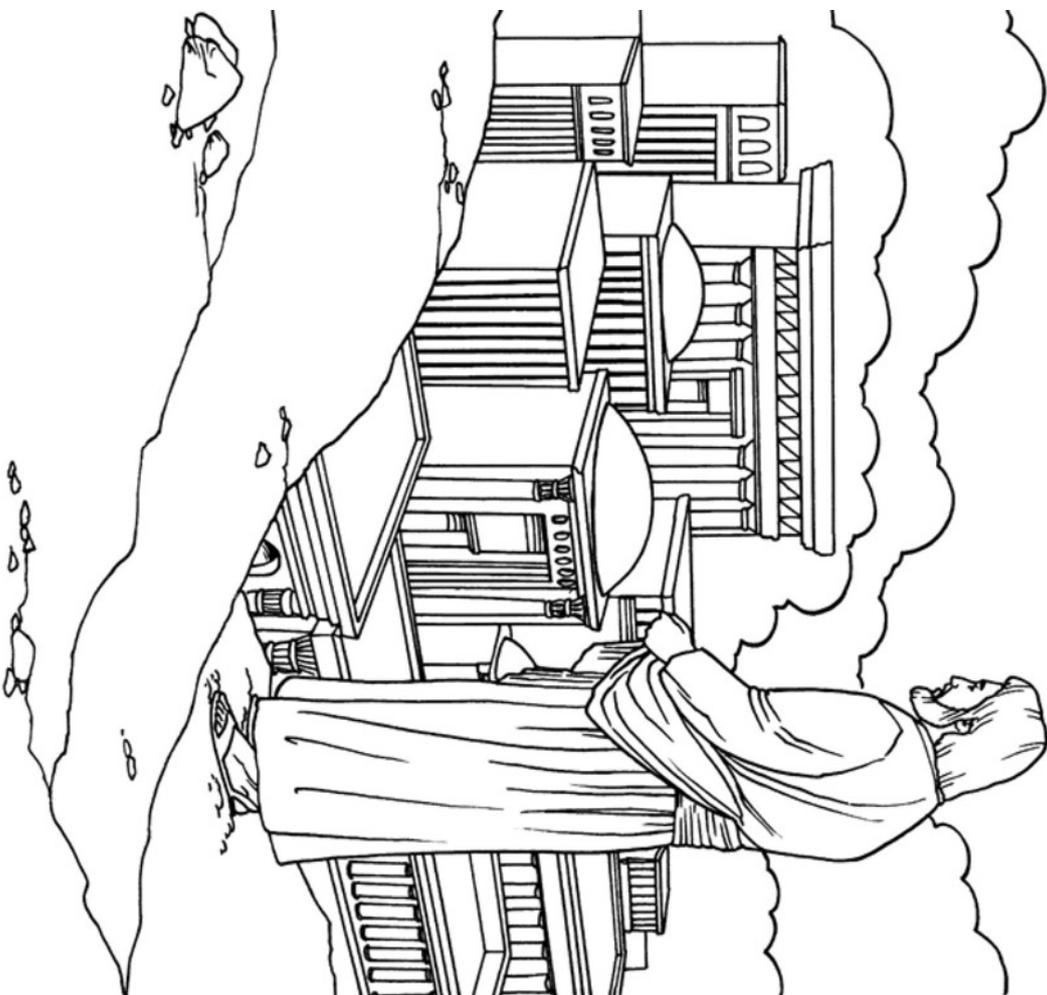
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What number is left?

- Lent is a time for giving up something valuable so we can remember how great a blessing it is.
- Lent is a time for taking up something valuable so we can remember to bring some blessing to others

# Young Church May

01 March 2020, the first Sunday of Lent; Matthew 4:1-11



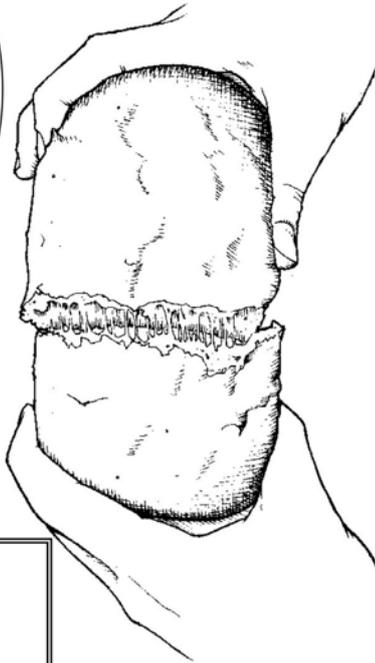
## Jesus is tempted

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**Test 1**

Turn these stones into bread  
Matthew 4:3

Jesus is put to the test!



**The devil did not give up!**  
**He tempted Jesus for a second time**

**Test 2**

If you are God's Son, throw yourself down  
Matthew 4:6

Cross out the letters which rhyme with "day" to read what Jesus replied

ADAAO NAOAT  
APAUAT AAGAOADA  
ATAO  
AATHAE ATAEASAT

**Test 3**

I will give you the world if you worship me  
Matthew 4:9

Then Jesus was tested for a third time!

Use the code cracker to find what Jesus said

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20 12 23 26 15 12 13 22

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| Z1  | M14 |
| Y2  | L15 |
| X3  | K16 |
| W4  | J17 |
| V5  | I18 |
| U6  | H19 |
| T7  | G20 |
| S8  | F21 |
| R9  | E22 |
| Q10 | D23 |
| P11 | C24 |
| O12 | B25 |
| N13 | A26 |



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# Calendar for March



- S 1 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Praise@11
- T 3** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel  
1305 Bach on Tuesday
- W 4** 1945-2115 Lent Group in the Parish Room (coffee from 19:30)
- S 8 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1115 Choral Mattins  
1700 All-In Service  
1800 Club Sandwich Group
- T 10** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 11** 1945-2115 Lent Group in the Parish Room (coffee from 19:30)
- S 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Toddle Up!  
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 16** 2000-2100 Julian Group in parish Room
- T 17** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel  
1445-1545 Bereavement Café in the Church Hall
- W 18** 1945-2115 Lent Group in the Parish Room (coffee from 19:30)
- T 19** 1000 Holy Communion to The Old House
- S 21** 1930 Organ Recital - Jonathan Holmes
- S 22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT/MOTHERING SUNDAY**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Praise@11
- T 24** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- W 25** 1945-2115 Lent Group in the Parish Room (coffee from 19:30)
- F 27** 1545 Family Flix
- S 29 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1115 Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
- M 30** 1930 Meeting of Parochial Church Council



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