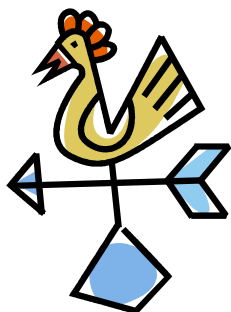


**Chesterfield Parish Church
Saint Mary & All Saints**



Where is God
Leading
Us?

Jesus tells
Nicodemus that
those born of the
Spirit can feel the

Spirit like the wind: you can't
identify a precise point where it is
coming from or where it is going,
but you definitely know it's there.

So much of our thinking about the
Church concentrates on recalling
the past or forming the future.

It's pretty obvious that we should
be focusing on the present
instead, looking for the way God's
Spirit is working and taking part in
the work of redeeming the world.

***Some might call this opportunist
or maybe even reckless. Better to
call it being Christ-like - because
it's just the way Jesus lived, and
it's just the way we should follow
Jesus.***

**Lent II
(8th March 2020)**

- 08.30 Said Mass
- 09.30 Matins (St Leonard's, Spital)
- 10.30 Choral Mass
- 18.30 Choral Evensong & Lent Address

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 9th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 13.00 Stations (St Leonard's)
- 16.00 Evening Prayer
- 19.30 Bell Ringing Practice

Tuesday 10th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 11th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 12th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 17.00 Evening Prayer
- 17.30 Mass

Friday 13th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer
- 19.00 Stations of the Cross

Saturday 14th March

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

**Please remember to respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer;
also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary**

All are invited to share refreshments after Mass in the Saints Parish Centre
across the churchyard.

LENT II - CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn **461 (t.i)**

Setting **Mathias in C**

Collect Prayer

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans **Rom 4.1-5, 13-17**

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations') - in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn **379**

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to St John

Glory to you, O Lord **John 3.1-17**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?'

Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn 353

Communion Motet *If ye love me (Thomas Tallis)*

Postcommunion 468

Voluntary *Cromorne en taille (François Couperin)*

CHORAL EVENSONG

Lent Prose 507

Responses Plainsong

Hymn 456

Psalm 135

First Lesson Numbers 21.4-9

Office Hymn 61

Canticles Plainsong (*mode ii*)

Second Lesson Luke 14.27-33

Anthem *Si iniquitates (Samuel Wesley)*

Hymn 382

Offertory Hymn AMR 28 (*see separate sheet*)

Voluntary *Adagio from Concerto in G minor (Matthew Camidge)*

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 8th March - Lent II

- Diocesan Registry Team
- ◊ Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo
- ✦ *Geoffrey Hare Clayton, Bishop; Alfred Bates*

Monday 9th March

- Thorpe, St Leonard
- ◊ Maridi (S Sudan); Udi (Nigeria); Highveld (Sn Africa);

Tuesday 10th March

- Diocesan Property Team and DAC
- ◊ Ughelli (Nigeria); Ho (W Africa)
- ✦ *Lily Bradford; John Thacker; Frank Andrews*

Wednesday 11th March

- Matlock, St Giles
- ◊ Marsabit (Kenya); Ukhahlamba (Sn Africa)

Thursday 12th March

- Holloway, Christ Church
- ◊ Maryland (TEC); Ukwu (Nigeria); Umuahia (Nigeria)
- ✦ *Joseph Gascoyne; Shirley Band; Eileen Locke*

Friday 13th March

- Dethick and Lea, St John the Baptist
- ◊ Masasi (Tanzania); Upper Shire (Cen Africa)
- ✦ *Dora Renshaw*

Saturday 14th March

- Those preparing for baptism or confirmation
- ◊ Maseno E (Kenya); Upper S Carolina (TEC); Hokkaido (Japan)
- ✦ *Mabel Annie Payne*
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◊ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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✦ *Winnie Walker, RIP*

✦ *Paul Berresford, RIP*

Lent 2020

Please take away, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the opportunities on offer for the observance of Lent this year - and take some more to share with your friends and neighbours!

Gift Shop

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book (*Saying Yes to Life* by Ruth Valerio) is now in stock, together with Mothering Sunday and Easter Cards.

The Family-Foljambe

An afternoon talk by Tony Hallam. Saturday 21st March, 2.00pm in the Saints Function Room. Tickets £5.00 (including refreshments and raffle) obtainable from the Church Gift Shop and Friends Committee Members.

Next Sunday - 15th March - Lent III

08.30 Said Mass

09.30 Matins (St Leonard's, Spital)

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: Romans 5.1-11
John 4.5-42

18.30 Choral Evensong with Lent Address

Readings: Psalm 40
Joshua 1.1-9
Ephesians 6.10-20

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