Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

C eeing Jesus

People who want to see Jesus are not restricted to the Gospels. They come to the Church (the building and the community/institution) looking for Jesus all the time.

What they see depends on how the Church behaves. If we are all concerned about our success and about the way we live or are organised—in other words, if it is all about *us*—Jesus is quite clear through today's gospel passage that *we* are all they will see.

It is for us, like Jesus, to die in the self, so that, like Jesus, we can be lifted up as the seed of God's new life.

Put simply, if we are just about the Church's business, then that's all people will see, and they will go away disappointed; if we are about God's business, then there is a chance that they will actually see Jesus and come to him.

Strangely enough, this happens to be the way in which the Church grows.

TRYING TO 'GROW THE CHURCH' IN ANY OTHER WAY IS A SURE SIGN THAT WE HAVE NOT 'GOT' WHAT JESUS IS TEACHING TODAY.



Lent V Passion Sunday

(21st March 2021)

10.30 Sung Mass

ALSO THIS WEEK: Monday 22nd March

09.00 Morning Prayer 12.15 Mass 16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 23rd March

09.00 Morning Prayer 12.15 Mass 16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 24th March

09.00 Morning Prayer12.15 Holy Communion (*BCP*)16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 25th March

09.00 Morning Prayer 12.15 Mass 16.00 Evening Prayer

Friday 26th March 09.00 Morning Prayer 12.15 Mass 16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 27th March*

09.00 Morning Prayer 09.30 Mass 16.00 Evening Prayer

*Remember to change your clocks -British Summer Time begins on Sunday 28th March.

Please note revised Mass times for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Mass on Wednesdays and Sundays is live-streamed on Facebook, and also uploaded to the Crooked Spire YouTube

LENT V - PASSION SUNDAY - SUNG MASS

Collect Prayer

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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**

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John Glory to you, O Lord John 12

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.'

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

For the time being there will be no Choral Evensong on a Sunday

John 12.20-33

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 21st March - Lent V - Passion Sunday

- Those about to speak of the Easter message
- The Church of England
- 🕈 Brian Hancock

Monday 22nd March

- St John the Baptist, Winster
- Bahamas, Turks & Caicos Islands The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Tuesday 23rd March

- All Saints, Matlock Bank
- Or Bakuru The Church of Nigeria

Wednesday 24th March - Walter Hilton; Paul Couturier; Oscar Romero

- Holy Trinity, Tansley
- O Ballarat The Anglican Church of Australia
- 🕈 John Birks

Thursday 25th March - The Annunciation

• All women, ordained or lay, who seek to serve

Or Bangor - The Church in Wales

Friday 26th March - Harriet Mansell

- Those speaking about faith in the media
- O Banks & Torres Anglican Church of Melanesia
- ♦ Kate Elizabeth Bennet

Saturday 27th March

- Retired clergy and those with PTO
- $\diamond\,$ Barbados The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

John Robinson; Sheila Laverick; Joan Lidgate; Teddy; June Frankland; John Herring; Michael Catton; Patricia Mitchell; Sue Hastings; Jean Madin; Jane Jackson; David Staves; Laura; Robin Glasson; Kenneth Hughes; Jane Stretton; Paul Taylor; Margaret; Ray Hearn; Tom Pierce; Anthony & Katie; members of the Wolf-Kidd family; Valerie Alice Seeney; Daisy Wallis; Lodovico Mirani; Christopher Browne; Sandra Jones; Tony Ragan; Greta Hutchinson

Lent Courses 2021

Fr James invites you to join him on Zoom each Wednesday evening at 7.30pm to pray and reflect on the Passion according to St Mark, which is this year's Passion Reading for Palm Sunday. Please contact him on curate@crookedspire.org to get the link for these sessions. It is also possible to join by telephone, and details of this can be obtained by calling 01246 206506.

The final session is this coming Wednesday, 24th March.

Weekday access to the church building is severely limited during the roofing and lighting works, which will last until the end of March.

COVID19 HAS DEFINITELY NOT GONE AWAY, AND ALL THE MEASURES WE HAVE TAKEN TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INFECTION STILL CANNOT ELIMINATE IT. PLEASE, IF YOU ARE ILL STAY AT HOME; IF YOU ARE VULNERABLE IN ANY WAY, PLEASE ALSO STAY HOME; IF YOU ARE UNSURE, STAY HOME FOR THE TIME BEING.

If you need support in prayer or any other way please contact the team on 01246 206506 or contact@crookedspire.org

Next Sunday - 28th March - Lent VI - Palm Sunday

10.30 Sung Mass

Readings:

Mark 11.1-11 Isaiah 50.4-9a Mark 14 & 15

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