

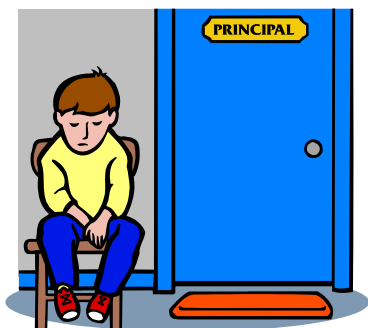
Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

Making the Most of Life

Jesus tells us not to be worrying about things that do not matter, for if we spend our time doing the things that **do** matter, God will provide the rest.

Not worrying about tomorrow is both an act of faith and in a modern context it almost certainly appears as an act of foolishness. Everything seems to have to be projected and planned, structured and organised—and measurable.

Yet in the teaching of Jesus each day's troubles are sufficient for us.



We might suffer from a great deal less pressure and stress, and we would certainly be far happier and more successful in the things we set ourselves to achieve, if we would only concentrate on making things happen now instead of dissipating our energies worrying about things that might never happen.

Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof!

SEXAGESIMA (8th February 2026)

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's)
- 10.30 Choral Mass
- 18.30 Choral Evensong

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Monday-Saturday

Morning Prayer 09.00

Evening Prayer 16.00 (Thursday 17.00)

Monday Mass 12.15

Tuesday Mass 09.30

Wednesday Holy Communion (1662) 09.30

Thursday Mass 17.30

Friday Mass 12.15

Saturday Mass 09.30

Next Sunday *See back page*

The church is open for private prayer and visiting Monday-Saturday 09.00 - 16.00

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY
PCC, SAINTS 19.30

Full details of events may be found at crookedspire.org, on the notices displayed in church, or from the organisers.



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

SEXAGESIMA

CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn: 359

Setting: Jackson in G

Collect Prayer

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 8.18-25

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

Gradual Hymn: 452

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Matthew 6.25-end

Jesus said, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing?

'Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you - you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 556

Communion Motet: God be in my head
(Henry Walford Davies)

Post-Communion Hymn: 580

Voluntary: Toccata & Fugue in D minor
(Johann Pachelbel)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: Smith

Psalm(s): 148

First Lesson: Proverbs 8.1, 22-31

Office Hymn: 459

Canticles: Byrd *Fauxbourdons*

Second Lesson: Revelation 4

Anthem: Teach me, O Lord (William Byrd)

Hymn: 551

Voluntary: 'Rowland' from the Fitzwilliam Virginal Book
(William Byrd)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 8th February - Sexagesima

- Mercia Deanery
- ◇ Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui
- ✦ Doris Cave; Kezia Fisher

Monday 9th February

- The General Synod meeting in London
- ◇ South West Tanganyika - Ang. Church of Tanzania
- ✦ Joseph Renshaw; Lilian Holmes;
Ingram Cleasby, priest

Tuesday 10th February - Scholastica

- Parish of St Peter Stapenhill with Caudwell
- ◇ Western Tanganyika - Ang. Church of Tanzania
- ✦ John Tankard; Thomas Parsonage; John Simmons

Wednesday 11th February

- Parish of Stapenhill Immanuel
- ◇ Tarime - Ang. Church of Tanzania
- ✦ William Wright; Ann Ellis; Anthony Renshaw;
Roy Wigfield

Thursday 12th February

- Parish of Emmanuel Swadlincote and
St Peter Hartshorne
- ◇ Tasmania - The Anglican Church of Australia
- ✦ Ivy Gascoyne; John Lockhart

Friday 13th February

- Parish of St Mark Winhill and Bretby
- ◇ Taungoo - Church of Myanmar (Burma)
- ✦ Edwin Stokes; Sarah Johnson; Leslie Redfern

Saturday 14th February - Cyril & Methodius; Valentine

- Parish of St Laurence Seale and
Lullington with Coton in the Elms
- ◇ Temotu - The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- ✦ Mabel Ellis
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Colin McKenna

Organist & Choirmaster:

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Our prayers have been asked for:

Tony Ragan; Linda Weston; Ralph Turner;
Ian Mackenzie; John Nickols; Ambrose
Mason; Cathy; Joan Melbourne; Trevor
Crane; Elise Wilson; Joshua Wilson;
Anthony Duce; Rose Evans

✦ Celia Barnes

Parochial Church Council

The next meeting of PCC will be at
7.30pm on Wednesday 11th February in
the Parish Centre.

Next Sunday - 15th February - Quinquagesima

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: 2 Peter 1.16-end
Matthew 17.1-9

18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: Psalm(s) 84
2 Kings 2.1-12
Matthew 17.9-23

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