

Welcome to All Saints West Dulwich

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11 February 2018 Sunday next before Lent:

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in
Majesty before he suffered
death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened
to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness,
from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

This morning's readings

2 Corinthians 4.3-6

Mark 9.2-9

This morning's hymns

494, 234, 336, 178, *O God beyond all
praising*

Anthem: *My eyes for beauty pine* -
Howells

*David is away this week for the
beginning of half term*

6.30pm Evening Prayer

This Week's Services & Groups

Morning Prayer

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 9.15am

Eucharist

No Tuesday Eucharist this week

Wednesday at 8pm - Ash Wednesday

Thursday at 12.15pm (with Ashing)

Knit & Natter, Sew & Chatter

Monday at 2pm

Community Coffee Morning

Thursday at 10.30am

Lent Group & Lunch

Thursday at 1pm

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Friday at 10.15am

18 February 2018 First Sunday of Lent:

8am Holy Communion

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Genesis 9.8-17

Mark 1.9-15

6.30pm Evensong

Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7

Romans 5.12-19 / Luke 13.31-end

2 Corinthians 4.3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9.2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

1 O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today,
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at ev'ry gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

2 Then hear, O gracious Saviour,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favour
may serve you as our King;
and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.

Michael Perry (b.1942)



Notices

Lent 2018: 'Let your light shine'

This Lent, we are using a series of coordinated resources based around John's gospel that will enable individual, group and whole church exploration of shared themes. Booklets for individual use are available (please leave £2 donation).

Lent Groups

Sundays - 30 Good Minutes after the service during tea & coffee time.

Monday group at 8pm on 19/2, 26/2, 5/3, 12/3 and 19/3.

Tuesday group at 8pm on 20/2, 27/2, 6/3, 13/3, and 20/3.

Thursday group at 1pm with soup lunch on 15/2, 22/2, 1/3, 8/3 & 22/3. Sign up sheets are in the Welcome Hall please sign up if you wish to take part and venue arrangements will be confirmed with you.

Please also sign up if you would like to be part of a **Virtual Lent Group** via WhatsApp.

Lent begins this week on **Ash**

Wednesday - 14 February with a Eucharist with Ashing at 8pm. Ashing will also be available during the Thursday lunchtime Eucharist and on Sunday 18th February.

We hope to mark the season of Lent with some silence in church before our services - as part of your keeping of Lent you might aim to arrive in good time to **Pause & Pray**.

Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call

Details of those organisations and charities being supported by the Bishop's Lent Call are attached to the notice boards in the North aisle, and giving envelopes will be available next week.

Deanery Walking Pilgrimage

This two-stage prayerful walk around the Deanery, organised by members of the Community of St Margaret the Queen begins on Saturday 17th February at 10.30am. Details are on the flyer. Day 2 is on 9th June.

Bible Reading Fellowship Notes

The order for the next edition is now due. If you would like to try a different set of notes, cancel your order or try BRF Notes for the first time, please **contact Pat Fisher (0208 289 8348)**. Please note the price from April 2018 will be £4.50 per issue.

Community Coffee Morning

Details of the programme of talks can be found in the Welcome Hall. Come along this week and take part in the popular quiz run by Sylvia Ryan.

Junior Choir Concert

Come and hear the Junior choir perform songs and instrumental pieces in the crypt after the service on Sunday February 25th. Refreshments available downstairs. All welcome, free entry with retiring collection.

Next Recital

Saturday 24 February at 7.30pm

Tre Violini a short concert given by Strung Out, an ensemble of 2 or 3 players on violins and violas with Paula Tysall, Robert Pack and Ruth Holton. Music from the Renaissance, Vivaldi, Telemann, Mozart, Haydn, Dvorak, Villa Lobos and Bartok. Free with retiring collection towards the Timothy Penrose Organ Scholarship Fund

Prayer Matters: 11 February 2018 **1st Sunday before Lent**

Please keep in your prayers this week:

The worldwide Church, that this Lent we may live more simply and prayerfully, that through our shedding of luxuries we may have a closer bond with those who have no choice but to live in poverty; that following the example of Jesus in the wilderness we may reject false systems of authority and power, and orientate ourselves towards God.

Those whose life has become a wilderness experience: the displaced and homeless, citizens in war zones, prisoners, those who suffer from mental illness, the addicted, the fearful and the lonely; that the presence of Christ may be close to them and guide them into new life.

The earth, that following the celebration of Creation Sunday we may value the earth's beauty and diversity; that the discipline of Lent may help us to reject the over-consumption that drives rich economies to exploit and desecrate poorer countries.

Charity of the week - Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers

SDCAS seeks to help with the relief of poverty and distress, the promotion of health and the furtherance of education for asylum seekers and refugees. We pray that their day centres may be safe and welcoming spaces, and that all refugees and asylum seekers, including those newly settled in Lambeth, may be given the help they need to integrate and feel at home.

Those who are sick or in need, remembering that 11 February is World Day of the Sick, 'a special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering.': Mary Goodlad, Gosia Gardiner, Emily Rixon, Ronald Alcock, Cass, Ruth Bennet, Beth, Hyacinth Brown, Wisdom Kari Kari, George Farmer, Zee Zee Gwaite, Jenny Bundark, Jan Ross, Aldwyn Holley, Katie Gedge, Anthony Backs, Julian Greene, Tishawah Binns, Orlando Gordon, Dazlyn Dawkins, Lucille Simpson, Jenny Pick, Ben, Thomas Hardy, Elizabeth Stead, Do Jones and those who support and care for them.

Those who have died recently - Joan Strudwick; and all who mourn.

Those whose Year's Mind falls at this time: Peter Robert Morrow (2015) Michael Porter (2003) Leslie Thomas Newport (1976) Ada Fifield (1980) John Leonard Billingham (2017).

This Sunday's flowers are given to the Glory of God by Philippa Hobson in memory of Jessie Gotobed.

Commemorated this week on 17 February: Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda

Janani Luwum, one of the most influential leaders of the modern church in Africa, was born in 1922 at Acholi in Uganda. His childhood was spent as a goatherd but he quickly showed an ability to learn. Soon after becoming a teacher, he was converted to Christianity and was eventually ordained in 1956, becoming Bishop of Northern Uganda in 1969 and Archbishop of Uganda in 1974. Archbishop Luwum was a leading voice of opposition to the brutal dictatorship of Idi Amin, who came to power in 1971 after a military coup. After Janani delivered a letter from the bishops protesting at the virtual institution of state murder, he was arrested, and died on 17 February 1977. Although the official account describes a car crash, he and two government ministers suffered bullet wounds, and it is generally accepted that they were murdered on Amin's orders. A stone statue of Janani Luwum now stands above the west entrance to Westminster Abbey.

Thought for the Week:

I imagine Lent for you and for me as a great departure from the greedy, anxious anti-neighbourliness of our economy, a great departure from our exclusionary politics that fears the other, a great departure from self-indulgent consumerism that devours creation. And then an arrival in a new neighbourhood, because it is a gift to be simple, it is a gift to be free; it is a gift to come down where we ought to be. **Walter Brueggemann**

Suggestions for prayer matters to: Mark Stevens 020 8670 8105 or leave a message at the Church Office (8676 4550).