

## Diary

Mon. 9th	7pm	PCC Meeting in the Oasis Room
Tue. 10th	5.30pm	Oasis Group meets in the Church Hall
	7.30pm	Home Group meets at 40 Henley Drive
Fri. 13th	7pm	Choir Practice in Church
Sat. 14th	4pm	Messy Church in the Church Hall

## Notices

**1. Beetle Drive.** The next Beetle Drive will be held on Saturday 4th April, the day before Palm Sunday, and will be the Easter Beetle Drive.

**2. Joyful Praise Services.** Joyful Praise Services are now held on the second Sundays of each month at 6pm at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway. The next one is this evening, Sunday 8th March. All are welcome to come along.



**3.** The next Messy Church is this Saturday, 14th March, in St. Mary's Church Hall starting at 4pm. **Fun, food and free!** For families of all ages.

**4. Together @ Ten.** The monthly Family Services are now known as 'Together @ Ten' – All Age Praise. The next one is next Sunday, 15th March, at 10am. Please come and support this family venture and bring someone with you.

**5. PCC Meeting.** The next meeting of the PCC is tomorrow evening, Monday 9th March, at 7pm in the Oasis Room.

**6. Fair Trade.** St. Mary's is registered as a Fair Trade Church and Jo Parker can still supply you with a Traidcraft brochure or take any orders you may have. Tel. 786409.

**7. Home Group.** The Home Study group meets at 40 Henley Drive on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm during term time. They meet this Tuesday, 10th March, as usual. All are welcome.

**8. Easy Fund Raising.** Don't forget, when doing your shopping on-line, to shop via [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to raise some extra money for St. Mary's at no cost to yourself. We currently have 23 people supporting us and our total raised so far is **£401.21**. Ask Andy or Debbie King for more details. (07708590704)

**9. Oasis.** The Oasis Group for 11 – 18 year olds meet this Tuesday, 10th March, at 5.30pm in the Church Hall.

**10. Church News.** Please address all queries and notices for the Church News to Andy King. Tel. 07708590704 or e-mail [andy@saintmarys.org.uk](mailto:andy@saintmarys.org.uk).

## Next Sunday

**15th March 2020**

### 3rd Sunday of Lent

8am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)  
Ephesians 5: 1 – 14,

Luke 11: 14 – 28

10am TOGETHER @ TEN  
John 4: 5 – 42 Dramatised Bible  
Psalm 95: 1 – 7 with Jack and Jill



6.30pm HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

Exodus 17: 1 – 7, Romans 5: 1 – 11, John 4: 5 – 42

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# CHURCH NEWS



## Saint Mary's, Tamerton Foliot

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**8th March 2020**  
**2nd Sunday of Lent**

**Welcome!** to St. Mary's, especially if you are visiting today.

**Sunday Club** (ages 4 - 11). There is no Sunday Club at present due to lack of numbers. It will start again if any children are looking to join.

For Sunday Club contact Revd. Preb. David Gill. Tel. 771033

The Oasis Youth Group (ages 11 – 18) meets in the Church Hall at 5.30pm on alternate Tuesdays during school term time.

For Oasis contact Joanne Parker Tel. 786409.

## Today's Services

10am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

Genesis 12: 1 – 4a, Romans 4: 1 – 5, 13 – 17, John 3: 1 - 17  
(CAH) 19, 67, 642, 695

6pm JOYFUL PRAISE at Church of The Holy Spirit

6.30pm EVENSONG (BCP)

Numbers 21: 4 – 9, Luke 14: 27 – 33  
(AMR) 333, 291, 182, 35, 210

Psalm 135: 1 - 14

**T**oday's Collect, below, prays that we may 'return to the way of righteousness'. During Lent we are encouraged to examine our lives in the light of God's commandments, and of Christ's example, so that we realise the 'errors' that have led us astray. Then, assured of Christ's forgiveness and fellowship, we can return to the right way and 'follow all such things as are agreeable' to it.

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.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

**Those living in:** Ashleigh Close

**Recently bereaved:** Family and friends of Jane Green

**The sick and those in need:** Angie, Joan Bagwell, Clare B. Bruce and family, Elizabeth Curling, Margaret D, Graham B. Brian, Marie and Thomas Baker, Cameron, Jane Dakin, John Dean, Eileen Giles, Graham, Hannah, Hilda D. Dave and Lyn Hill, Oliver Hawkins, Imogen, Jill, Katie S. Kay, Ken, Sam L. Lorna, Luke MacWhirter, Margaret, Michael P. Jill Parry, Mike, Mo W. Oscar, Pat, Ruth, Sue Stephens and family, John Tweedley and family.

Personal consent must now be given by the person, (or their parent/guardian) to have their name displayed.

**Please let Andy King have any names those who are in need of our prayers or who can be taken off the list. Email [andy@saintmarys.org.uk](mailto:andy@saintmarys.org.uk) or Tel. 300758. Thank you.**

**First Reading**      **Genesis 12: 1 – 4a**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord had said to Abram, ‘Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. <sup>2</sup> ‘I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.’ <sup>4</sup> So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

**Second Reading**      **Romans 4: 1 – 5, 13 – 17**

<sup>1</sup> What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, discovered in this matter? <sup>2</sup> If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about – but not before God. <sup>3</sup> What does Scripture say? ‘Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.’ <sup>4</sup> Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. <sup>5</sup> However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup> It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>14</sup> For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, <sup>15</sup> because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression. <sup>16</sup> Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring – not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. <sup>17</sup> As it is written: ‘I have made you a father of many nations.’ He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed – the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

**Gospel Reading**      **John 3: 1 – 17**

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus at night and said, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.’

<sup>3</sup> Jesus replied, ‘Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.’ <sup>4</sup> ‘How can someone be born when they are old?’ Nicodemus asked. ‘Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!’ <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, ‘Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. <sup>7</sup> You should not be surprised at my saying, “You must be born again.” <sup>8</sup> The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.’ <sup>9</sup> ‘How can this be?’ Nicodemus asked. <sup>10</sup> ‘You are Israel’s teacher,’ said Jesus, ‘and do you not understand these things?’ <sup>11</sup> Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. **(Continued on next page)**

**First Reading**      **Numbers 21: 4 – 9**

<sup>4</sup> And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way. <sup>5</sup> And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. <sup>6</sup> And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup> Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. <sup>9</sup> And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

**Second Reading**      **Luke 14: 27 – 33**

<sup>27</sup> And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? <sup>29</sup> Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish. <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. <sup>33</sup> So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

**10am Gospel Reading (Continued)**

<sup>12</sup> I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.’ <sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

**Pancake Party**

Thank you to everyone who came to the annual Pancake Party on Shrove Tuesday or have made a donation since. You have helped to raise **£129.00** for the ‘Send A Cow’ charity this year.