

PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY, PULBOROUGH



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

10th March, 2019

10. 30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

We are very grateful that the Service leaflets today have
been sponsored.

'Happy 18th Birthday Nathaniel'

If you require a gluten-free wafer, please mention this to one of the sidespeople or to a churchwarden at your earliest convenience.

*If you feel able to make a donation during the offertory, **please only use a white Gift-Aid envelope if you are a tax payer and are able to fill in the details on the front of the envelope.** Thank you.*

After the Sung Eucharist we serve refreshments. Do join us.

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THE BUILDING BY THE NEAREST AVAILABLE EXIT

Prayers of Preparation before the Holy Eucharist

Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hidden:

cleanse the thoughts of my heart by the inspiration of your

Holy Spirit, that I may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.

***We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,***

but in your manifold and great mercies.

***We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under
your table.***

***But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have
mercy.***

***Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your
dear son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may
evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.***

Welcome to our Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Paul

Organist: Philip Duffin

Setting: Murray

The Reading: Maureen Varndell

The Intercessions: Mark Perry-Nash

Please stand when the bell is rung

The Gathering

The Entrance Hymn: NEH 67

George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870)

And Francis Pott 1832-1909

- 1 Forty days and forty nights
 thou wast fasting in the wild;
 forty days and forty nights,
 tempted and yet unbeguiled.**

- 2 Sunbeams scorching all the day,
 chilly dew-drops nightly shed,
 prowling beasts about thy way;
 stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.**

- 3 Let us thine endurance share,
 and awhile from joys abstain,
 with thee watching unto prayer,
 Strong with thee to suffer pain.**

- 4 And if Satan, vexing sore,
 flesh or spirit should assail,
 thou, his vanquisher before,
 Grant we may not faint nor fail.**

5 So shall we have peace divine;
holier gladness, ours shall be:
round us too shall angels shine,
such as ministered to thee.

6 Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
ever constant by thy side,
that with thee we may appear
at the eternal Eastertide.

✠ In the name of the Father, and
of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Greeting

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

*Fr. Paul introduces the day's celebration and invites people
to make an act of penitence*

The Prayers of Penitence

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in
newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Kyries

Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

The Collect for the Day

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 26. 1-11

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please stand

**The Gradual Hymn : NEH 64
Isaac Willams (1802-1865)**

- 1 Be thou my guardian and my guide,
and hear me when I call;
let not my slippery footsteps slide,
and hold me lest I fall.**
- 2 The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
thou quickener of the dead.**
- 3 And if I tempted am to sin,
and outward things are strong,
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
and save my soul from wrong.**
- 4 Still let me ever watch and pray,
and feel that I am frail;
that if the tempter cross my way,
yet he may not prevail.**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 4. 1-13

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the

Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.’ Jesus answered him, ‘It is written, “One does not live by bread alone.” ’

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, ‘To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.’ Jesus answered him, ‘It is written, “Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.” ’

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you”, and “On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.” ’

Jesus answered him, ‘It is said, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.” ’ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

The Sermon

Please stand

The Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate from
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Intercession

Please kneel or sit

Those who are in particular need

Michael Batchelor, Ron Jones, Ryan Nichols, Jack, Emmett, James Stevenson, Terence Mullaly, Emily Edge and Tenu Elliott

Pray to rest in peace: *Anthony 'Tony' Osborne and Eveline Kathleen Sullivan*

Anniversary of death: *John Elliott, Geoffrey McGill, David Coe, Ron Cooper, Mary Grover, Leslie Etheridge*

Together with the other Churches in Pulborough, we pray for those who live and work in Glebelands, Drovers Lane, Downlands, The Mews, Southside, Alpha Cottages, Hillcrest Park

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

or

Lord hear us

Lord graciously hear us



At the end is said.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Please stand

The Peace

Fr. Paul introduces the Peace and then says:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace

At this point in the service a collection will be taken for the running of St. Mary's Church. Please only use a white Gift-Aid envelope if you are a tax payer and fill in the details on the front of the envelope. Thank you.

The Offertory Hymn: NEH 333

***Meine Hoffnung stehet feste* Joachim Neander
(1650-1680) paraphrased Robert Bridges (1844-
1930)**

- 1 All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.**

- 2 Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his trust;
What with care and toil he buildeth,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.**

- 3 God's great goodness ay endureth,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light, and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of nought.
Evermore,
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.**

4 **Daily doth th' almighty giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.**

5 **Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
One and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.**

Pray dear brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the
praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good
of all his holy Church.**

The Prayer over the Gifts is said

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give thanks and praise

Fr. Paul continues with the prayer until all sing together:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**



Fr. Paul continues until the following is used:

Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free
You are the Saviour of the world.**

*Fr. Paul continues and leads into the conclusion of the prayer to
which all respond: **Amen***

Please kneel or sit

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the Body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one Bread**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**



The Giving of Communion

The Priest issues the invitation to communion in these or very similar words:

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*(All baptized Christians who receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive communion.
Any member of the congregation may come to receive a blessing;
if you come forward for a blessing, please keep your head bowed)*

**Communion Hymn: NEH 341
John Keble 1792-1866**

- 1 Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.**

- 2 The Lord who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men,
their pattern and their king.**

- 3 Still to the lowly soul
he doth himself impart
and for his dwelling and his throne
chooseth the pure in heart.**

- 4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be:
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple meet for thee.**

**Communion Hymn: NEH 434
Henry Kirke White (1785-1806), Frances Sara Colquhoun
(1809-1877)**

- 1 Oft in danger, oft in woe,
onward, Christians, onward go;
bear the toil, maintain the strife,
strengthened with the bread of life.**

- 2 Onward, Christians onward go,
join the war, and face the foe;
will ye flee in danger's hour?
know ye not your Captain's power?**

- 3 Let your drooping hearts be glad;
march in heavenly armour clad;
fight, nor think the battle long:
victory soon shall tune your song.**
- 4 Let not sorrow dim your eye;
soon shall every tear be dry;
let not fears your course impede;
great your strength, if great your need.**
- 5 Onward then in battle move;
more than conquerors ye shall prove:
though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go.**

The Prayer after Communion

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living
bread,
and enable us to live by every word
 that proceeds from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and
bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

Any notices and Banns of Marriage will now be given out

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
and also with you.

The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ
Thanks be to God.

The Recessional Hymn: NEH 393 James Edmeston (1791-1867)

- 1** **Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.**

- 2** **Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
self denying, death defying,
thou to Calvary didst go.**

- 3** **Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.**

Concluding Organ Music

Church and Liturgical Diary

Monday 11th March: *Feria of Lent*

10am to 12noon The HUB at Pulborough Library -'Drop in' for local information, refreshments, chat and advice.

2-5pm David Hansell – organ practice

7.30pm Tower Bellringing

Tuesday 12th March: *Feria of Lent*

7.30pm Lent Course at the United Reformed Church (1) 'Daring to see God now'

Wednesday 13th March: *Feria of Lent*

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.15 am The Holy Eucharist

11.15 am The Holy Eucharist at The Anchorage

8pm St. Mary's Lent Course at The Rectory (1) 'Living Christ'

Thursday 14th March: *Feria of Lent*

11am Rector and Churchwardens meet at The Rectory

1.30pm Ladybirds

Friday 15th March: *Feria of Lent*

12noon The Holy Eucharist

1pm Lent Lunch in aid of Family Support Work

2pm Lent Course in Church (1) 'Living Christ'

7pm Handbell ringing practice

Saturday 16th March: *Feria of Lent*

Sunday 17th March

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8am The Holy Eucharist – Said

10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings at both service: Genesis 15: 1-12. 17-18 and Luke 13: 31-35

Lent 2019

Courses start this week!

The theme of this week's session is 'Our life's work'.

Please sign up today to join one of the groups.

We will also be serving a Lent Lunch at 1pm on Fridays with donations in support of Family Support Work (FSW) our Lent Appeal. Again, please add your name to the list if you would like to join us for lunch.

The evening dates are **Wednesday 13th March, Tuesday 19th March, (please note change of day for this week) Wednesday 26th March, Wednesday 3rd April and Wednesday 10th April.**

The Lent groups in Church will be Friday 15th March, Friday 22nd March, 29th March, Friday 5th April and Friday 12th April.

For more details of the course please speak to Fr. Paul 01798 875773 or email pulpccreator@btinternet.com

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Sunday 14th April PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

10.15am Starting at St. Crispin & St. Crispinians RC Church

Thursday 18th April: MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Eucharist of the Lord's Supper followed by 'The Watch'

Friday 19th April: GOOD FRIDAY

3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday 20th April: EASTER EVE

8.30pm The Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

Sunday 21st April: EASTER DAY

8am The Holy Eucharist (Said) 10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL

We have begun the process of drawing up a completely new Electoral Roll. Every person is required to complete a new application form whether they are listed on the current roll or not. There are personalized forms for everyone in a box at the back of the Church. **Please return the completed forms into the brown box by the vestry door as soon as possible.**

Please note: Names and addresses will be displayed when the new roll is drawn up contrary to information given in the circulated letter.

LEAFLET SPONSORS NEEDED IN 2019

Do you have a special occasion or date in memory of a loved one?

The dates we have now have available are:

Sunday 5th, 12th or 19th May. Sunday 16th or 23rd June.

Sunday 14th, 21st or 28th July. We ask for a £25 donation, gift-aided, if possible. Details from **Ann Kaiser 01798 872819**

Dates for your dairies.....

FAMILY SUPPORT WORK (FSW) CAKE SALE

On Sunday 31st March (Mothering Sunday) from 8.45am there will be a cake sale with home-made cakes, biscuits, quiches and jams. Offers of home-made cakes and biscuits to Alyson (873795) would be most appreciated. Do please support this very worthy charity if at all possible.

MARK PERRY-NASH TALK on Tuesday 26th March at 2pm

Following the success of the last two months' talks the subject on **26th March** will be about the fascinating life of Lawrence of Arabia. We follow the talk with a delicious afternoon tea. Entry is free and we ask for a retiring donation in aid of the upkeep of our beautiful Parish Church.

MOTHERING SUNDAY – SUNG EVENSONG at 6pm

(1662 Book of Common Prayer)

Well known hymns and canticles sung by the congregation and choir. Organist: Tony Hancock.