

PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY, PULBOROUGH



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

17th March, 2019

10. 30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

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

**'In loving memory of John and Sue Parker
late of Bignor and Pulborough'.
Parents of Lucinda Comyn**

**We are now able to offer the facility for 'contactless payments', should you wish to donate in this way. Please see Alyson Heath before or at the end of the service for more details*.*

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: Fr. Paul
Preacher: Tony Holloway
Organist: David Hansell
Setting: Murray
The Reading: David McGill
The Intercessions: Hannah Holloway

Introductory organ music
Fugue in B minor (BWV 544ii) - J S Bach

Please stand when the bell is rung

The Gathering

The Entrance Hymn: NEH 476
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

- 1 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name;
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.**
- 2 God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh, his presence we have;
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our king.**
- 3 'Salvation to God who sits on the throne!'
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son;
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.**
- 4 Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
All honour and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love**

✠ 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,
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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit

The First Reading: Genesis 15. 1-12. 17-18

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.'

But the word of the LORD came to him,
'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards

heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?'

He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please stand

The Gradual Hymn: NEH 368

Arglwydd arwain drwy'r anialwch

**William Williams (1717-1791), tr Peter Williams (1727-1796) and
William Williams (1717-1791) or John Williams (1754-1828)**

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.**

2 **Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
 strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.**

3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's Destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 13. 31-35

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

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

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, Emily Edge and Tenu Elliott*

Pray to rest in peace: *Kathleen Sullivan*

Anniversary of death: *Jeffrey Philpott, Margaret Short,
George Copeman, Valerie Millwood*

*Together with the other Churches in Pulborough, we pray for those
who live and work in Lower Street (west of Sorting Office)
Skeyne Drive, Carpenters Meadow, Barnhouse Close, Barnhouse
Lane, Arun Court, Allfreys Wharf*

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 485

Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891)

- 1 Thy hand, O God, has guided
thy flock, from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear, on ev'ry page;
our forebears owned thy goodness,
and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.**

- 2** Thy heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest, as to least;
they bade them rise, and hasten
to share the great King's feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in ev'ry deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
- 3** Through many a day of darkness,
through many a scene of strife,
the faithful few fought bravely,
to guard the nation's life.
Their gospel of redemption,
sin pardoned, hope restored,
was all in this enfolded:
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
- 4** And we, shall we be faithless?
Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the conflict,
and cast away our crown?
Not so: in God's deep counsels
some better thing is stored;
we will maintain, unflinching,
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
- 5** Thy mercy will not fail us,
nor leave thy work undone;
with thy right hand to help us,
the vict'ry shall be won;
and then by all creation,
thy name shall be adored.
And this shall be their anthem:
One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

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 sing:



Bless-ing and hon-our and glo-ry and power be yours for... e-ver and e-ver, A - men.

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

Fr. Paul 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)*

*Choir Anthem
Words: St Richard of Chichester
Music: L J White*

*O holy Jesu, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
May we know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly and follow
thee more nearly. Amen*

Communion Hymn: O&N 727
Joseph Medlicott Scriven (1819-1886)

- 1** What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to him in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

- 2** Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-
take it to the Lord in prayer!

- 3** Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Jesus only is our refuge,
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do our friends despise, forsake us?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield us,
we shall find a solace there.

The Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help
ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
 which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the
soul; 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: O&N 531
Michael Forster (born 1946)

1 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!
Out of death's enslavement
Christ has set us free,
on then to salvation,
hope and liberty.
*Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!*

2 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
up the rocky way,
where the dying Saviour
bids us watch and pray.
Through the darkened valley,
walk with those who mourn,
share the pain and anger,
share the promised dawn! *Chorus*

3 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
in the early dawn;
death's great seal is broken,
life and hope reborn!
Faith in resurrection
lightens pilgrims' hearts,
every load is lightened,
every fear departs. *Chorus*

4 **Onward, Christian pilgrims,
hearts and voices raise,
till the whole creation
offers perfect praise:
swords are turned to ploughshares,
pride and envy cease,
truth embraces justice,
hope resolves in peace.
*Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!***

Concluding organ music

Prelude in B minor (BWV 544i) - J S Bach

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL

We are in 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.

If anybody who has serious concern about their address being on public display speak to Fr. Paul or one of the Churchwardens.

Church and Liturgical Diary

Monday 18th March: *Feria of Lent (St. Cyril of Jerusalem)*

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

7.30pm Tower Bellinging

Tuesday 19th March: ST. JOSEPH OF NAZARETH

7.30pm Lent Course at the United Reformed Church (2) 'Daring to see God now'

7.30pm Lent Course at The Rectory (2) 'Living Christ'

Wednesday 20th March

Feria of Lent (St. Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary 687)

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.15 am The Holy Eucharist

11.15 am Communion at Hillside Lodge

7.30pm PCC meeting in Church

Thursday 21st March: *Feria of Lent*

1.30pm Ladybirds

7pm Choir Practice

Friday 22nd March: *Feria of Lent*

12noon The Holy Eucharist

1pm Lent Lunch in aid of Family Support Work

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

7pm Handbell ringing practice

Saturday 23rd March: *Feria of Lent*

9.30-1pm Full Peal by member of the Sussex Association

Sunday 24th March

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8am The Holy Eucharist – Said

10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings at both services: Isaiah 55: 1-9 and Luke 13: 1-9

12.30pm Holy Baptism of Betina Papworth

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 or 19th May.

Sunday 16th or 23rd June.

Sunday 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.

FSW FOOD HAMPER

Family Support Work cares for family in need in this area and is always very grateful for groceries. We have a hamper at the back of the church and would be so pleased for items of tinned and packet food which are passed on to the charity on a regular basis. Thank you for your support.

The March market is on Saturday in Pulborough Village Hall from 9am to 12.30pm. Please support this local initiative if you can. Fairtrade stall, bakery, Macmillan Cancer care cake stall, fresh vegetables, local flowers, delicatessen foods, crafts stalls and much more. Members of Pulborough Parish Council in attendance to answer local questions. St. Mary's Church Dairy Bar selling local milk, cheeses and butters. Delicious cooked breakfasts, home-made cakes and savouries from the Market Café. See you there!

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Many thanks to all those who have put used postage stamps in the box at the back of the Church, we pass them on to Muriel Fookes at the URC who sorts them and they are then sold to fund Bibles for overseas Missions. **Please keep bringing your used stamps to Church.**

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

9.30-11.30am Children's Workshop
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