

NOTICES

Lent Talk Series: This Lent at St Peter's we'll be holding a series of talks called 'Live Differently'.

The first talk will take place during the Ash Wednesday service, then during the following 11am Sunday Services across Lent. Please find a summary of the talks below:

- Ash Wednesday 22nd February: **Pretence- *Masks Off, Come as You Are.***
- Sunday 26th February: **Probation - *Hold Your Nerve.***
- Sunday 5th March: **Persecution - *Part of The Deal.***
- Sunday 12th March: **Penitence - *Any Skeletons in There?***
- Sunday 19th March: **Prodigal - *Cast Caution Aside.***
- Sunday 26th March: **Perfume - *Holding Nothing Back.***
- Sunday 2nd April: **Procession - *Lives of Purpose.***

Safeguarding Training Event:

You're invited to join a Safeguarding Training Event at St Peter's Church on **8th March 2023, 6.30pm to 9pm**. Those in leadership must do this training, but anyone involved in volunteering or attending St Peter's Church is welcome. Please book online.

For our Prayers this Week: For those who are sick, in special need or housebound. Mark, Dave, Kate, Sylvia, John, Colin, Sigi, Pat, Anne, Helen (Pat's daughter).

For the family and friends of those who have died: Clive, Thelma, Jenny.

 **St Peter's
Bengeworth**
Sunday 26th February 2023



Today's Services and Events – Lent 1

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.15am Morning Eucharist
- 11.00am Informal Gathering: All-Together Service

Gluten free Communion breads are available. Do please ask one of the welcomers or the Wardens if you require this. The Church is fitted with a loop system. To use this, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

Church Diary for the Week

- Tues 28th Feb - 7.30pm: Prayer Meeting
- Wed 1st March - 10:00am: Holy Communion
- Fri 3rd March - 10.00am: Choir Practice
- Fri 3rd March – 11.00am: Church Cleaning

Next Sunday's Services and Events – 5th March

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.15am Morning Eucharist
- 11.00am Informal Gathering: Children's Groups

Collect:

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.

Bible Reading: Romans 5:12-19

¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! ¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13

4 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.³ The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." ⁴ Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'" ⁵ The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ If you worship me, it will all be yours."⁸ Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'" ⁹ The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. ¹⁰ For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;

¹¹ they will lift you up in their hands,

so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

¹² Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

¹³ When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

Post 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.

