

The week ahead

Monday 7th March

Tuesday 8th March

12.30pm Lunch Club

Wednesday 9th March: Ash Wednesday

10.00am: Holy Communion: Celebrant: Revd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Isaiah 58: 1-12; John 8: 1-11

7.30pm; Joint Ash Wednesday service at River Methodist Ch

No meetings of the Bible Study Group at 32 Danes Court (Janet Jowett) until May 12th due to Lent

Thursday 10th March

Friday 11th March

10.00a.m.: Study Group at the Vicarage

Saturday 12th March

Sunday 13th March: The First Sunday of Lent

8.00 am: Holy Communion: Gen 3: 1-6; Matt 4: 1-11

10.00 am: Morning Worship

Leader: Revd Andy Bawtree; Preacher: Don Soppitt

Readings: Matt 4: 1-11; Gen 2: 15-17 & 3: 1-7; Rom 5: 12-19

Readers: (1) Josie (2) Sue P; (3) Elizabeth Prayers: Andy

6.30pm: Evening Prayer

Readings: Deut 6: 4-end; Luke 15: 21-28

Readers: Chris (1) Don (2)

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River Parish Church



We worship and witness to the Living God

Sunday 6th March 2011

Sunday Next Before Lent

Quinquagesima

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant: Revd Andy Bawtree

Readings: 1 Cor.13; Luke 18: 31-43

10.00am Family Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd Andy Bawtree;

Preacher: Revd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Exod 24: 12-end; 2 Peter 1: 16-end; Matt 17:1-9

Readers: (1) Karen; (2) Paul; (3) Peter R.

Prayers: Paul

We welcome everyone to stay after this service and enjoy refreshments in the Christian Centre.

3.30pm: Sunday Half Hour: Applecroft

6.30pm: Service of Penitence

Leader: Revd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Psalm 84; Matt 17: 9-23

Readers: Gill R. (1); Anne B.(2)

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting & the Electoral Roll

The APCM will be held on the morning of Sunday 10th April 2010 and before this the Electoral Roll is available for revision until 13th March 2011. Names can be added to the Electoral Roll during most of the year but the Roll will be closed from 13th March until the APCM on 10th April. Please check your details are correct on the Roll displayed at the back of Church. If you feel that you belong to St Peter & St Paul's and your name is not on the Roll and you would like it to be - please ask for a form. *Josie Harding, Electoral Roll Officer*

Ash Wednesday: March 9th The start of Lent will be marked by the weekly Holy Communion service at 10.00 in River Church, and also by a special joint service at River Methodist Church at 7.30pm.

Lent Groups The following Lent groups will be available to help provide you with a thoughtful focus on your Lent journey:

Mondays 7.30pm-9.00pm at 6, Bleriot Court (Nicholas)

Tuesdays 3.00pm - 4.30pm: at 5 Mannering Close &

Tuesdays 7.30pm-9.00pm: Peter & Jan Croucher at 16, Orchard Drive

Wednesdays 12.00 - 1.30pm: at River Methodist church &

Wednesdays 7.30pm-9.00pm with Sarah Love, 2 Meadway

Thursdays 7.30- 9.00 at 7 Orchard Drive

There is a list of Lent groups at the back of the church for you to sign up to, if you would like to.

Andy has been invited to visit **Bishop Gilbert in Madagascar** and is planning to go at the start of his holidays on 28th July.

Thurs. 17th March: **Deanery Men:** St Augustine's, East Langdon, 7.00pm

COLLECT FOR THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

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 forever. Amen

Please remember in your prayers:

Archbishop Rowan and Bishop Trevor

The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar & Bishop Joseph Than Pe

Bishop Gilbert and the people of Madagascar following the cyclone

The people of Christchurch NZ following the earthquakes

Andy and Vicki and family and their life and witness in this village

People and clergy of Weald Deanery: Bill Hornsby, Area Dean

Our Church family:

Anna, Eric, Carole, Robert, Ingrid, Viv, Mavis, Lorraine and family, Steve, Sarah, Margaret, Eddie and Andrew, Winston, Matt, Wayne and Ian serving abroad, and all known and cared for by our healing Lord.

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For the comfort of all who mourn the passing of loved ones, especially the families and friends of James Bates and Gill Janaway

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If you wish, you can place prayers on the Prayer Board at the back of the church. If the prayers are for others, please make sure they support what you are doing. Prayer requests will stay on the board for one month but may be renewed as necessary.

2011 Year of Discipleship: Bishop Trevor's daily Live It! Prayer

Lord, you called your first disciples to follow you.

Help us to deepen our walk with you and renew our discipleship.

Kindle in all our hearts a longing to see you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly day by day. Amen

