



# ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE



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inclusivity and there is always a  
warm welcome for all.



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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

## First Sunday of Lent

For use of the Church Hearing Loop, please select T.  
Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. We hope you will enjoy the service and be able to stay for coffee and a chat after. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty before the service.

The Communion wine today is given in memory  
of Tass & Leslie Parkes  
& Colin Radburn-Smith

**8am Said Eucharist** (Holy Communion)  
Led by Fr Gerard. Preacher: Andrew Falconer.  
Server: Sarah Bolton.  
Welcome & Reader: Susi Thornton.

## 10am Sung Eucharist

TODAY WE USE THE GREEN HYMN BOOK

Today we use the Rizza Kyrie (CA955), "Praise to you" Gospel Acclamation & Celtic Mass Setting with Communion Song 3 for Agnus Dei.

Procession	Forty days and forty nights	67
Offertory	Now is the healing time decreed	59
Anthem	Panis Angelicus	
Communion	It is a thing most wonderful	84
Recessional	Lead us heavenly Father lead us	393

Celebrant: Fr Damian. Preacher: Andrew Falconer. Warden: Helen Cunningham. Welcome: Margaret Roberts & Deborah Kidd. Vergers: Bridgett & Tony Grove. Readings: Helen Cunningham & Margaret Alderson. Intercessions: Fr Gerard. Chalice Assistants: Fr Gerard & Anthony Grove. Organist: David Howard. Cantor: Petra Hudson.

Sermon Notes for today are available at the back of the church.  
Children's Colouring Sheets are also available.

11am Café Church (Refreshments) in the R/Room

## 11:30am Family Service

Theme: Moses at the burning bush

Song 1	Purify my heart	574
Song 2	Rejoice in the Lord always	578
Song 3	Give me joy in my heart	201

Led by Fr Damian. Welcome: Jane Lowe.

## 6pm Compline & Benediction

Hymn O for a heart to praise my God 74

Led by Mtr Jo. Benediction: Fr Damian & Mtr Jo. Welcome: Margaret Harnden. Server: John Brittain. Reading: Joy Whitfield. Intercessions: Susi Thornton. Organist: David Howard.

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS – Please remember in your prayers:

**The Sick** (immediate need): Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, Carole Mason, Rob Castledine, Richard, John Knott, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** Sean Hudson, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Matthew, Caroline Wareham, Patti, Pat Harnden & all struggling with Coronavirus. **Giving thanks for recovery:** John Knight, Marion Blanche, Robin Alderson & Kate Pestkowska. **General Prayer Requests:** All affected by terrorism & natural disasters. St Mary's finances & challenge of meeting increasing parish share. Our PCC & After School Club. Trade negotiations following Brexit. **The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Evelyn, Rita, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** John Kinal, Sue Thompson, Sarah Early & Carol Carrington. **Anniversaries of Death:** Colin Radburn-Smith, Tass Parkes, Stephen Marsden, James White & Wynford Williams.

## DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday	8am Morning Prayer
Tuesday	8am Morning Prayer; 7:30pm Open Deanery Synod Meeting at All Saints' New Haw
Wednesday	8am Full Wardens Breakfast in Wallace Room; 10:30am Eucharist; 11am Office Open in W/R; 11am in Rutherwyke Room/ 7:30pm in church; Lent Course Session 1 – Light & Energy led by Fr D
Thursday	8am Morning Prayer, 9:30am Noah's Ark; 7:30pm Liturgy Meeting in Wallace Room
Friday	Fr D is off duty
Saturday	6:30–9:30pm Quiz Night at Thorpe Community Hall



Next Sunday – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Second Sunday of Lent

8am Said Eucharist (Holy Communion)

## 10am Sung Parish Eucharist

with FAITH & FUN in the Rutherwyke Room

11am Café Church in the Rutherwyke Room

11am Healing & Wholeness in the Benedict Chapel

11:30am Stations of the Cross

CHURCH OPENING TIMES outside service times by appointment only – please contact the Verger: Mr John Brittain on 01932 562333.

Noah's Ark is a toddler/pre-school group for parents with young children. Term-time Thursdays from 9:30am in the Rutherwyke Room. Contact: Margaret 01784 435292



FAITH & FUN – our Sunday Club for children 4-11 years – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> term-time Sunday – 10am

RUNNYMEDE FOODBANK needs: tinned tomatoes/meat/custard; coffee; sponge puddings; UHT milk; long-life juice; squash; male/female deodorant; shaving foam/razors; shower gel; washing powder; washing up liquid.

"For the measure you give will be the measure you get back." Luke 6.38

Hythe Singers Spring Concert at St Mary's, 21 March  
Performing Dixit Dominus by Handel, Jephthe by Carissimi and the Magnificat by Pergolesi, with a small Chamber Orchestra.  
Tickets / info from Susi ([susi@thorntonclan.com](mailto:susi@thorntonclan.com)).

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Recommended Book for Lent  
"Saying Yes To Life" by Ruth Valerio

Copies available to buy (£6.83) to read through Lent.

World Day of Prayer 2020 – PRAYING FOR ZIMBABWE – 6 March

2pm St Jude's, Englefield Green; 8pm United Church of Egham  
with the Motto "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk"

In light of the latest virus outbreak the Church of England insist, for hygiene reasons, that communicants no longer intinct/dip bread into the cup. If you would rather not receive the wine by taking a sip from the cup, it is absolutely acceptable to receive in one kind/the bread only. Alcohol-free Sanitiser is available in the porch.

LOOKING AHEAD – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

Mothering Sunday – Sat, 22 Mar, 8am + 10am

Handmade MOTHER'S DAY CARDS available £1.50 each  
in basket on the crafts cabinet in the Rutherwyke Room

Please only use yellow Gift Aid envelopes for Gift Aided donations – not for any other money. Thanks. Card payment donations are now accepted!

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to [stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com](mailto:stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com) please.

## LENT 1 YEAR A

### 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. **Amen.**

### FIRST READING **Genesis 2.15–17; 3.1–7**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.' Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for good, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM **Psalms 32**

**I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.**

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away! Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile! **R**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long. For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. **R**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord'; then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. **R**

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. **R**

'I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye. Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle,

or else they will not stay near you.' **R**

Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord. Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart. **R**

### SECOND READING **Romans 5.12–19**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned – sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one person's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL **Matthew 4.1–11**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you," and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



I will con - fess my trans - gress-sions to the Lord.