Psalm 19.7-end



- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the | soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives | wisdom to the | simple.
- ⁸The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the | heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives | light to the | eyes. *R*
- ⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for | ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous alto|gether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than much | fine gold, sweeter also than honey, | dripping from the | honeycomb.
- ¹¹By them also is your | servant taught and in keeping them there is | great re | ward. **R**
- ¹²Who can tell how often they of | fend? O cleanse me from my | secret | faults!
- ¹³ Keep your servant also from presumptuous | sins lest they get do|minion | over me; so shall I be unde|filed, and innocent of | great of|fence.
- ¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your | sight, O Lord, my | strength and my re|deemer. *R*

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

1.18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

This is the Word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 2.13-22 GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!



The Collect

Almighty God,

whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to
follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A reading from Exodus 20.1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Signpost 3rd March 2024

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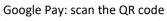
The foodbank is open Tuesdays from 10 to 11.30am.

If you need any support or would like a visit or to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Wardens or Fr. James.

Children from nursery age are welcome to 'Saints on Sunday' which meets in the hall, unless there is an All Age service. The children go to their activities after the first hymn and return for Communion. Parents are welcome to take younger children out to the hall too. Toilets and baby change facilities are available off the hall corridor. There is also a Children's Area under the tower, with pew bags, books and toys.

Giving to All Saints

We rely on donations, and your support is appreciated. Donate by card or Apple/





Services Today

9.30am Family Eucharist Including Baptism of Ed

President Father James McDonald

Readers Marion Miers, Nicola Isherwood

Intercessor Sheila Ashman

Organist Bertha Kum

Hymns 682, 838, 335*, 721, 144, 761

11.15am Church in the Wild

3-4pm Oksana Piano Recital

After the 9.30 service Bertha will play Sun Dance by Bob Chilcott in celebration of the 5th Anniversary of Fr. James at All Saints.

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

Tuesday 5th March

10 -11.30am Coffee Morning, Royal Chapel

10 -11:30am Foodbank, Lady Chapel

Wednesday 6th March

10-L1:30am Tiny Tots Stay & Play

7.30pm Bellringing Practice

Friday 8th March

9.30am Eucharist followed by Coffee and Lent Study

6.30pm Choir Practice

Church Foodbank – Please support this important resource for those in need . Please leave items in the basket on the table in front of the North Aisle Screen. In date nonperishable, unopened food or household essentials are much appreciated eg Coffee, Sugar or tinned fish/meat. For inspiration please see needs list: https://t.ly/VJUIr

Sunday 10th March 2024 Mothering Sunday

9:30am Family Eucharist

Third Sunday of Lent

For Your Prayers

Please pray for Ed who is baptised today.

Prayer Cycle: All who live on Le Corte Close and the Services Club and Probus.

Please Pray For: King Charles, Bishop Alan, Hazel Archer, Wendy Buckland, Tessa Cox, Olive Darvill, Margaret Johnson, Brian Haynes, John Heal, Brigette Hease, Vivian Leger, David and Jo Lidgate, Andrew Moon, Mike Morgan, Dennis Neate, Alison Paddon Hicks, Rosemary & Steve Moore, May Parker, Sheila Peevers, Jack Mather, Jackie Tuck, Steve Wiggins & Lauren Williamson. RIP: All the recently departed.

NOTICES

Thank you to the Carnival Committee for their fabulous donation.

Saturday 23rd March - The Great Hall Bushey. The Watford Philharmonic Society is performing Mendelssohn' Elijah with Thomas Isherwood singing the part of Elijah. Tickets available from the WPS website.

Easter Monday 1st April - Walking Pilgrimage to St Albans

Join us for Breakfast at 9am in the hall before leaving at 10am. To help with catering please sign up if you wish to join us for Bacon rolls (please advise dietaries) in the hall. Please bring a packed lunch and drink with you. If you require a lift back, please indicate on the signup sheet or let Fr. James or Ingrid know.

Sat 15th March - Village Produce Market

Save the date! Inside the church and hall. We need volunteers to help set up, run and take down our refreshment stall at the Village Market. Ideally we need a team to share the load, perhaps a group of friends would enjoy being together doing this? Or a chance to make new friends! For more information please talk to Sheila ASAP. The February village market raised £216.75. Thank you all; brewers, bakers and buyers.

Lent & Easter Services

Fridays in Lent 9.30am

Eucharist followed by coffee & Lent Study

Mothering Sunday 10th March

9.30am All Age Eucharist with distribution of

flowers followed by refreshments

Palm Sunday 24th March

9.15am Hot Cross Buns & Coffee at Dallings

9.30am Procession and Eucharist

4.30pm Stations of the Cross, music & readings for Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday 28th March

8pm Eucharist with foot washing & stripping of the altars. Incense will be used at this service. The Watch is kept until midnight.

Good Friday 29th March

10am Children's Service followed by Hot Cross Buns & Coffee

12noon Liturgy of Good Friday

Easter Sunday 31st March

8am Churches Together outdoor service (incense) followed by Hot Cross Buns and Coffee 9.30am All Age Eucharist followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Monday 1st April

Breakfast in Church Hall followed by Pilgrimage to St Albans Cathedral

9th March - 7.30pm at St. Giles Church

London SE5 8RB. Bertha will be singing with the Ionian Singers. Programme includes music by Byrd, Tomkins, Parry, Arensky and Ligeti etc. Tickets (£15, or £5 for children and full-time students) can be bought from 07932766513 or info@ioniansingers.co.uk.

The Aumbry Light

This week the Aumbry Light is sponsored by Brian McAdam. In Loving Memory of Jill. It is the candle kept alight by the High Altar to mark where the Sacrament is reserved. If you too would like to mark a significant occasion, please contact Eric Martin: 01923 267604.