



# 21 February 2021

## First Sunday of Lent

### Collect for Today

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 forever. **Amen**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b> <b>21st Feb</b> First Sunday of Lent	<i>Genesis 19: 8-17</i> <i>Psalms 25: 1-9</i> <i>1 Peter 3: 18 to end</i> <i>Mark 1: 9-15</i>
<b>Monday</b> <b>22<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-19</i> <i>Psalms 19: 7 to end</i> <i>Matthew 25: 31 to end</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>23<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Isaiah 55: 10-11</i> <i>Psalms 34: 4-6, 21-22</i> <i>Matthew 6: 7-15</i>
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>24<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Jonah 3:</i> <i>Psalms 51: 1-5, 7-18</i> <i>Luke 11: 29-32</i>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Esther 14:1-5, 12-14 or</i> <i>Isaiah 55: 6-9</i> <i>Psalms 138</i> <i>Matthew 7: 7-12</i>
<b>Friday</b> <b>26<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Ezekiel 18: 21-28</i> <i>Psalms 130</i> <i>Matthew 5: 20-26</i>
<b>Saturday</b> <b>27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<i>Deuteronomy 26: 16 to end</i> <i>Psalms 119: 1-8</i> <i>Matthew 5: 43 to end</i>

### Prayer after 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. **Amen**



**Parish Prayer Diary**

Please use this prayer diary as part of your

daily prayer**Please pray for:**

Stephen Dodds, Sue Brown, Jane Johnson, Gary Walton,  
Sarah Davies, Mike & Sheila Richards, Kate Sinclair, Janet Samuels,  
Jan Bird, Kate Lincoln, Brian Noake, Noreen Burrows, Dave Newton

**The Departed:** Yvonne Thompson, Chris Walton.**The Staff and Residents** of Charnwood House Residential Care Home

	<b>Thought for Today</b>	<b>In our Diocese</b>	<b>In our Parish</b>
Sunday	Whom the Lord loves He corrects. <i>Proverbs 3:12</i>	Southwell Cursillo (Dennis Tully)	Hanselin Close Rosa Close <i>Cromwell Crescent</i>
Monday	You, O Lord... know the hearts of all. <i>Acts 1:24</i>	NEWARK AND SOUTHWELL DEANERY (Assistant Area Dean: Andrew Porter; Lay Chair: Michael Wilson)	Wood Lane Waterhouse Lane <i>Negus Court</i>
Tuesday	O Lord I will praise you. <i>Isaiah 12:1</i>	The Riverside Group of Parishes-Averham, St Michael and All Angels; Kelham, St Wilfred; North Muskham, St Wilfrid, South Muskham, St Wilfrid.	Main Road Shearing Hill Shearing Close <i>Flamstead Avenue</i>
Wednesday	Give thanks always, for all things, to God. <i>Ephesians 5:20</i>	Balderton, St Giles; Barnby-in-the-Willows, All Saints; Coddington, All Saints (Louise Holiday, Philip Smith)	Brooklands Drive Brooklands Crescent Danehurst Drive <i>Catfoot Lane</i>
Thursday	The Lord is my stronghold and my refuge. 2 <i>Samuel 22:3</i>	Farnsfield, St Michael; Kirklington, St Swithin; Maplebeck, St Radegund; Winkburn, St John of Jerusalem (Chris Pearse)	Station Avenue The Orchards <i>Mill Lane</i>
Friday	Godliness with contentment is great gain. 1 <i>Timothy 6:6</i>	The East Trent Group of Parishes-Besthorpe, Holy Trinity; Collingham St John the Baptist; Collingham, All Saints; Langford, St Bartholomew; Holme, St Giles; Harby, All Saints; North & South Clifton St George the Martyr; Thorney, St Helen.	Waverley Avenue Carnarvon Grove Tennyson Avenue <i>Chapel Lane</i>
Saturday	It will be well with those who fear God. <i>Ecclesiastes 8:12</i>	East Stoke, St Oswald; Syerston, All Saints; Elston, All Saints (Liz Murray)	Vernon Avenue Duncroft Avenue Ranmoor Road <i>Orchard Rise</i>

## **Intercessions by the Beckwith Family**

Lord God our Father on this first Sunday in Lent, we pray for the Church and thank you for the light and guidance you and the church provide during this challenging time of lockdown. We pray for those who lead us in our worship, and for all those who work tirelessly together to ensure everything runs smoothly offering friendship and worship as part of the wider church community. We pray for each other, that we may each respond to the challenges that the time of Lent presents to us.

### **Lord in your mercy - hear our prayer**

Father, reflecting on this half term, we hope it has been a welcome rest for pupils, teachers and parents alike and we thank and pray for them, appreciating their adaptability and commitment to learning. Thinking especially of all the staff at All Hallows School and thanking them for their dedication to young people under their care, either in school with children of key workers or in support of those learning at home with their parents. We hope and pray friends will soon be reunited and fun and happiness in school will return for all.

### **Lord in your mercy - hear our prayer**

Father we remember the trials and temptations of your son Jesus Christ in his journey into the wilderness for 40 days and how he triumphed over all. In our prayers we think of those who are committing to fasting to replicate the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, and consider the difficult journeys in life encountered by so many people in the world, where there is so much suffering, where darkness prevails and where your light seems so far away. We pray that in their different times of need, they may identify a way forward, to see their way ahead, and strength to overcome whatever problems they face. We pray their faith may be deepened in this period of Lent, and they may walk in the light of the Lord.

### **Lord in your mercy - hear our prayer**

Father, as we move into the next phase of the COVID-19 vaccination programme, we pray and give thanks to those who work tirelessly to keep us safe and who give us hope, the frontline workers, the distribution lines, the many forgotten heroes and heroines, we are so grateful for the sacrifices they are making and to each and every one who follows the rules to keep us all safe. May the successes and pace of vaccinations in the UK continue and be replicated around the world, bringing an end to the loss of so many too soon, either directly or indirectly due to COVID-19.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

Father, this year is like no other any of us have experienced and we pray for those who are struggling during this difficult time and ask that we all reach out to our neighbours, friends, family, work colleagues and check they are okay, kind words, compassion and consideration of others will be welcomed by those in need, those who need a helping hand, a friend, support or direction.

**Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

Father we think of those who are lonely, those who are isolated because of ill-health, we think of those in our community, those who are dear to us, who are sick in body, mind or spirit, we pray for them all and particularly those listed on today's pew leaflet.

**Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

Father, we pray for those all those who mourn and for those who have recently passed, may they rest in peace and rise in glory, forever in your presence.

**Lord in your mercy - hear our prayer**

**Merciful father accept these prayers for the sake of your son our Saviour Jesus Christ Amen**

## **Readings for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

### **Psalm 25: 1-9**

Of David.

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me. Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame ;let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long. Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

## Mark 1: 9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

## NOTICES

I want to say a big 'THANK YOU' to everyone for all the kind wishes, messages, cards, beautiful flowers and the slow cooker, which couldn't have been a more perfect present! I am sorry I was not able to see more of you before I left, but I am sure that once church re-opens, I will be around to catch up with you all. Lorna xxx



## **BAGS OF BLESSINGS**

We are starting a new project supporting local Food Banks. We are making up craft/stationary bags to help all the vulnerable children whilst they are at home during these difficult times.

We are looking for your support and help with the following donations:-

Colouring or activity books

Colouring pencils, felt tips or crayons

Stationary sets

Pencil cases

Small craft kits

Small jigsaw puzzles

Notebooks



Because of Covid we can only take new or unused items. If you can help please let us know. Thank you so much for your help, we appreciate your help. The Bags of Blessings Team

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### **Carlton Food Bank**

**Currently the food bank collecting in this area is at  
Carlton Methodist Church**

Required are Sponge puddings, semi skimmed milk, fruit juice, tinned fish, meat, fruit, spaghetti, rice puddings, biscuits, coffee, tea, sugar, treats, toilet rolls and pet food.

These can be dropped off between 12-3 Tuesday's and Friday's at Carlton Methodist Foodbank. (Just up from Tesco)

### **World Day of Prayer**

This was due to take part on 5th March at All Hallows. This has been cancelled. If anyone would like a booklet of the order of service to do at home on the day, please ring me on 0115 670 2966 or email [adnilmanfree@outlook.com](mailto:adnilmanfree@outlook.com) as soon as possible and I will deliver one to you. Linda Freeman



In association with the national Christian charity Linking Lives, The Ark is in the process of developing a telephone befriending service on behalf of its link churches, including All Hallows. The service is intended to support isolated and lonely people living in the local community. 'Two's Company' is a fully regulated and safeguarded scheme that relies on the support of trained volunteer telephone befrienders. If you would like more information about becoming a volunteer befriender, please contact John Tattersfield: 07969403355 [john.tattersfield@ntlworld.com](mailto:john.tattersfield@ntlworld.com)

If anyone is out for a walk pop into the churchyard to see the snowdrops and cyclamen, which are beautiful at the moment



We now have a pre-recorded service available on the telephone. The service (which will be changed weekly) can be reached by dialling:

**0115 671 3537**

(PLEASE NOTE, THE AREA CODE MUST BE DIALLED EVEN FROM A LANDLINE). It is a local rate call. We have set this up for those who do not have access to the Facebook or YouTube services. Any problems with accessing this, please contact Mic.

**Items for the next Pew Leaflet should reach the office by 10.00 am on Thursday**

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