

News Sheet for Sunday 15th February – The Sunday Next before Lent

LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

Thank you to everyone involved in leading our worship today - also to Lynn for offering hospitality, and to Wendy for flowers – very much appreciated...

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 15th February

8am – Holy Communion – led by Rev Clive Richardson

10am – All Age service (No Communion) – led by the Worship Team refreshments in the Hall after

Lectinary: Exodus 24.12-18; Psalm 2; 2 Peter 1.16-21; Matthew 17.1-9

The Collect 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 for ever.

PRAYERS FOR Bishop Andrew, Moira Davies, Stephanie & Norman Robinson, Tim Sturt (now in a Neuro Rehab Centre at St Peter's Chertsey & making steady progress), Gerald Martin, Andrew Jones and for all who are poorly, and we give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness...

We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time

(please let Chris know if you would like someone remembered by name ...)

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's revival, and loving and transforming grace here in our place...

18th February ASH WEDNESDAY – 8pm Holy Communion - led by Rev Sandy Cavalier

Lectinary: Joel 2.1-2,12-17; Psalm 51.1-18; 2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10; Matthew 6.1-6,16-21

**** Save the Date – Quiz Night 7th March @7pm ** £15 per person to include Chilli supper and tea or coffee** Maximum of 6 per team – or come individually to make up teams. Bring your own nibbles and tipples. Fund raising Raffle **Please book a place with Vanda** vanda@cofewrecclesham.org.uk

“Please support our campaign to keep a Vicar in the Parish of Wrecclesham to lead the worship, the work, and the community of St Peter’s”

St. Peter's Church is entirely self-supporting. In order to fund a Vicar for Wrecclesham, we need to increase our income, from parishioners and the wider community, by at least another £25,000 per annum. Gifts can be made using this link which takes you to St Peter's Church Parish Giving Scheme page, or you can telephone 0333 002 1271, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm, quoting parish number 170617058.

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/wrecclesham-st-peter-farnham>

Enhance your gift to St Peter's Church, through Gift Aid adding 25% to your giving, if you are eligible. Or please make a donation using the card machine at the back of the church.

We are very grateful for all donations - there is no donation too small

If you have any ideas or suggestions to help with our fund raising, please speak to the Churchwarden or a member of the PCC, or email

NEW TREASURER FOR ST PETER'S – CAN YOU HELP?? at the end of February, our Treasurer, Colin, is retiring. We need someone to take over the role. Colin will be able to hand over to you and give help and support in the transition period. Please speak to me or any one of our PCC if you can help or know of anyone who can. Thank you. Gerald Blues 07831 352331

FEBRUARY is when we begin to collect annual subscriptions for the parish magazine. If you pick up your magazine from church, please give this year's sub - £7 - to Sue Davies. If you prefer to pay by bank transfer she will give you the church bank account details. With many thanks.

This Lent we have afternoon and evening opportunities for reflection –

LENT REFLECTIONS - Once again Frank & Christine are offering their home for lent reflections, led by Steven; Tuesday afternoons on 3rd, 17th & 31st March 2-3.30pm. We will have a little worship and some reflection and personal sharing informed by our pilgrimage of life and the journey of Jesus through the Holy Land. Please let Christine and/or Steven know, and you are welcome to attend any or all sessions.

JOURNEYING WITH JESUS TOWARDS EASTER” – WEEKLY TAKETIME MEDITATIONS DURING LENT. Starts this **Thursday 19th at 8pm**, via zoom. (Zoom account not required. You just need to have online access). Sessions comprise 40 minutes of relaxation, paraphrased gospel narrative and meditation, with music. Dates are 8pm on, Weds 25th February, Weds 4th March, Weds 11th March, Thurs 19th March & Thurs 26th March. Come to as many or as few as you wish. If you think you might like to take part, please get in touch with Kathryn on kathrynbeehive@gmail.com or

07796 065396. To join session, click on <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78428734047?pwd=WkltZiNCsygeRWNwLuxvLbN2JnCdE.1> promptly at 8pm.

PRAYING TOGETHER: 'A future and a hope' – a short time of prayer for our church and community after the service, TODAY in the side chapel. We will allow 20 minutes for you to get refreshments before gathering. Future dates likely to be March 8th and 29th. Please speak to Carol or Kathryn for more information.

CELTIC MORNING PRAYER ON WEDNESDAYS VIA ZOOM is at 8.30am This is thirty minutes of short readings, reflection and prayer of a contemplative nature. Booklets are available if you would like to sample before taking part. If you are interested in joining then please contact Kathryn on kathrynbeehive@gmail.com

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE –22nd February

8am - Morning Prayer; **10am** – Parish Communion - Refreshments in the Hall after

THE YOUTH CAFE meets on Wednesdays in term time at the Leverton Hall 3:15pm-4:45pm. The Youth Cafe provides a safe, supportive and welcoming space for young people to socialise, have fun, and get free refreshments.

NEWS SHEET – please let **Chris Wilkes** know of any notices you would like included – **by Thursday lunchtime if possible**. Email: parishadmin@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – Tel/text: 07902 768597

WRECCLESHAM OVER 60'S – On 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

FARNHAM FOODBANK BASKET IS LOCATED ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE OF THE CHURCH BY THE DOOR

Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted – thank you for all that you contribute. Lizzy Hendry kindly takes the food to the Foodbank for us.

Contact: mail: info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk or call 07901 58153 visit website farnham.foodbank.org.uk

DIOCESE NEWS - If you would like news and info from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

Bible Readings

First Reading: Exodus 24.12-18

The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them. Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1.16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' 6When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'