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NEWSLETTER

Walking the way of the Cross

LSM in March

Highlights of March

Sunday 3rd March

Guest Preacher at High Mass

Fr Yazeed Said, *Lecturer at the City University & Mater Dei Institute, Dublin*

Wednesday 6th March

First Wed Group *after 10am Mass* - Graham Pechey talks on **Obedience**

Thursday 7th March

Third Joint Lent Worship with Emmanuel URC 12:30-12:50pm

'Fed by the Bread of Heaven': The Manna in the Wilderness and Jesus the Bread of Life. What does it mean to us to share in the Eucharist?

Wednesday 13th March

Healing Mass at 10am *preceded by silent prayer for healing at 9:45am*

Thursday 14th March

Fourth Joint Lent Worship with Emmanuel URC 12:30-12:50pm

'Singing in the Wilderness': Miriam's Song and Mary's Magnificat. What do Christians have to sing about?

Sunday 17th March

Guest Preacher at High Mass

Fr Robin Ward, *Principal of S. Stephen's House, Oxford & Canon of Rochester*

Thursday 21st March

Fifth Joint Lent Worship with Emmanuel URC 12:30-12:50pm

'Saved from death': The bronze serpent and Jesus lifted up on the Cross. What sense can we make of the Cross today?

Friday 22nd March & Wednesday 27th March

Stations of the Cross 7:30pm

Thursday 28th March

Sixth Joint Lent Worship with Emmanuel URC 12:30-12:50pm

'Living in Hope of the Promised Land': Moses spies the Promised Land and Jesus enters Jerusalem. Can dying be seen as arrival at the promised land?

**FOR HOLY WEEK DETAILS SEE
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From the Vicar

I hope Lent, albeit still in its early stages as I write this on 23rd February, is proving to be fruitful for you. My Lenten discipline has been to try to keep 30 minutes of silent meditation every day. I've already missed two days (no excuse, I'm afraid) but I'm glad of the opportunity and enjoying and being very challenged by the silence. It's amazing how quickly one's mind, even when reciting a prayer word, lapses back into thinking about other things, whether it's a phone call I need to make or something I need to pick up from the shops. It goes to show what a shallow and chaotic mind I have and how little I ever truly focus on something. I hope at the end of forty days that I will have made a little dent in my distractedness and also that I will have been doing it often enough for it to be a practice that I continue into Eastertide.

To that end, do remember that each Thursday lunchtime of Lent at 12:30pm we have just a brief interruption to our usual routines with a 20-minute joint act of worship and reflection with our brothers and sisters at Emmanuel United Reformed Church. It's an excellent way to put a dent in the busyness of our lives and just stop and reflect on God at the middle of the day.

It may be that lunchtimes aren't good for you and that you are instead working your way through Fr Quash's *Abiding*. It emphasizes that same business of sticking with, of remaining faithful to a discipline and practice amid the ceaseless demands around us. I hope that if a particular thing you have either given up or taken up for Lent is proving hard or your commitment to it is proving episodic, you'll be inspired to continue with it nonetheless. The Lord of the wilderness, in choosing not to turn stones into bread, chooses definitively to be, share and abide with us in all our frail humanity. 'Lord Jesus, help me' might well be an excellent short prayer to offer up when we can find a thousand alternatives to a midweek Mass, a time of silence or giving up wine and donating the cost of a glass to Christian Aid or CAFOD.

The great opportunity to abide with the Lord every year is Holy Week, those extraordinary days when we enter Jerusalem with Him share His Last Supper, accompany His arrest, trial, suffering and death, watch in silence as He harrows hell and then rejoice with every fibre of the church's being in His triumphant Resurrection. Can I take this opportunity not only to remind you of the order of the week, but also to urge you to make every possible effort to be at as many of these acts of worship as possible - it really does transform our experience of Easter? So the highlights of Holy Week are:

Palm Sunday:

10am Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: *gather at Laundress Green (opposite the Mill Pub) with Emmanuel URC for the blessing of palms, commemoration of the Lord's entry into Jerusalem, reading of the Passion and Mass*

Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday:

7pm Mass and homily

Maundy Thursday

7pm High Mass of the Lord's Supper *with washing of feet, procession to the altar of repose and watch of the Passion*

Good Friday

12noon Preaching of the Passion (*scripture, music and three homilies*)

1:30pm Liturgy of the Passion (*S. John Passion, veneration of Cross, Communion*)

5pm Children's Stations of the Cross

9pm Tenebrae (*candlelit vigil of the Lord's death*)

Easter

*The central service of the church's entire year:
**9pm (Saturday) The Great Paschal Vigil and
First Mass of Easter**
followed by much sparkling wine*

10:30am High Mass of Easter Day

People for our prayers

We had a beautiful Funeral Mass for **Ray Holland** on Monday 28th January when we commended her to God. Fr Greany kindly came back to preach and reminded us of her gift for friendship, her love of music (she was a gifted pianist) and her patient and profound Christian faith. **Peter Barnard** died the day before Ray's funeral, at the grand age of 97. Peter and his sister Betty worshipped at LSM for many years, Peter first coming here in 1926! Peter was a Christian gentleman in the fullest and best sense of that phrase, and as a housemaster at the Forest School in Walthamstow for several decades he had a lasting influence for good on generations of young people. Like Ray he was very musical, playing the violin to a high standard.

At the time of writing this newsletter **Barbara Chamier** is approaching death. She is peaceful and in no pain, for which we give thanks. Do please keep her and her children in your prayers. It's not an exaggeration to say that Barbara has been a central part of the life of LSM for many decades and something of a Cambridge legend! We will miss her hugely.

Jesu mercy, Mary pray

Thank you for your prayers for **Percy Hayes**, a young boy in our congregation, who is seriously ill in Addenbrooke's Hospital. The most recent scan has shown some progress, which is good news, but there is a very long way still to go. Do please also pray for his parents Thomas and Helen and his brothers Arthur and Tristan and sister Clementine, all of whom are having to cope with the worry and extra work. Let us continue to ask the Lord to give them strength, to guide the doctors and nurses at the hospital and to give Percy His joy and His healing.

Tony Fletcher recently had a heart attack but is now home and making good progress. **Julia Wheatcroft** was in hospital recently for a lung infection and is still weak but at home now and we pray for successful continued treatment for her. Please keep Tony's and Julia's families in your prayers.

May Our Lady, S. Peter and all the saints pray for them.

Stamping out a problem

Julia Norman & Bill de Quick write:

As some of you will know, the Helen Keller Centre for visually impaired children was founded in the 1890s by an English missionary, Mary Lovell, and named to honour the achievements of an American deaf and blind woman.

The Centre is situated in east Jerusalem and prepares visually impaired children aged 3 to 12 years for integration in mainstream schools. There are currently 66 students from all socio-economic backgrounds, some of whom travel daily through checkpoints from Bethlehem and Ramallah. 'Embrace the Middle East', formerly 'Biblelands', supports the HK through the sale of used stamps to collectors and dealers. Until 2011, approximately £4,000 was raised each year for the Centre, but in 2012 a record £8,653.62 was raised entirely from the sale of stamps. This has enabled the HKC to purchase a new school bus, new computers with specially designed speaking programmes, and to fund a range of after-school activities twice a week.

At LSM we started collecting used stamps in November 2009 and, since that time, have donated nearly 18,000 stamps - not including gifts of albums and 32 kilos of stamps donated by the Mothers' Union. Last August, Dr Julian Huppert MP kindly agreed to save all the stamps that pass through his office; on 11th February he combined a stamp delivery with a visit to our Parish Centre and a guided tour of the church. Fr Robert described our current uses of the Parish Centre and outlined some of the exciting community activities planned for the future. We are delighted that the city's MP will continue to collect stamps in support of the Helen Keller Centre.

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated stamps since our last stamp update in August 2012. Please continue to save your UK and overseas stamps for us.



Calendar and Intentions

for

March 2013

*The list of Thanksgivings and Intercessions offers a
focus
for our daily prayer, both at the Offices and Mass,
and in our personal times of prayer.*

*The Vicar would be glad of suggestions
for additions to the list of daily intentions.*

Calendar for March

Fri. 1st S. David, Bishop, Patron of Wales

Sat. 2nd *S. Chad, Bishop & Missionary*

SUN. 3rd **III SUNDAY of LENT**

Mon. 4th

Tue. 5th

Wed. 6th *S. Tibb, Virgin*

Thu. 7th *SS Perpetua, Felicity & companions, Martyrs*

Fri. 8th *Edward King, Bishop*

Sat. 9th

SUN. 10th **IV SUNDAY of LENT (MOTHERING SUNDAY)**

Mon. 11th

Tue. 12th

Wed. 13th

Thu. 14th

Fri. 15th

Sat. 16th

SUN. 17th **V SUNDAY of LENT (PASSIONTIDE BEGINS)**

Mon. 18th *S. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor*

Tue. 19th **S. Joseph, Husband of the BVM:** LM 7.45am

& SM 7pm

Wed. 20th *S. Cuthbert, Bishop & Missionary*

Thu. 21st *Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop & Martyr*

Fri. 22nd

Sat. 23rd

SUN. 24th **PALM SUNDAY**

Mon. 25th in Holy Week: LM and address, 7pm

Tue. 26th in Holy Week: LM and address, 7pm

Wed. 27th in Holy Week: LM and address, 7pm

Thu. 28th **MAUNDY THURSDAY:** Maundy Liturgy, 7pm followed by Watch of the Passion.

Fri. 29th **GOOD FRIDAY:** Preaching of the Passion, 12noon; Liturgy of the Passion 1:30pm; Children's Stations of the Cross 5pm; Tenebrae 9pm

Sat. 30th HOLY SATURDAY

SUN. 31st **EASTER SUNDAY:** **Paschal Vigil and First Mass of Easter 9pm (Sat),** LM 8am; HM 10.30am

Daily Intentions and *Anniversaries of death for March*

The Church in Wales		1 st
Astronomers		2 nd
The Parish	<i>Ceta Cherry, Howard Auckland</i>	3 rd
Society of Mary		4 th
Christians in Saudi Arabia	<i>Christopher Stephen Barnard,</i>	5 th
True contrition: penitents and confessors		6 th
End to political corruption	<i>Geoffrey Clayton (Abp)</i>	7 th
Ripon College, Cuddesdon	<i>Jessie Rolph</i>	8 th
Christ's College, Cambridge		9 th
The Parish		10 th
Our Home Communicants		11 th
Cambridge Churches' Homeless Project		12 th
Evangelists	<i>Elsie Murielle, Helen Dec, Beryl Oliver</i>	13 th
Candidates for Confirmation		14 th
The Church of Ireland	<i>Violet Barnard, Elizabeth Lamp, Michael Ogden</i>	15 th
For the return of those who have left the Faith	<i>Teresa Pike</i>	16 th
The Parish	<i>Richard Botulin, Ann Robinson</i>	17 th
Peace in Jerusalem		18 th
All foster fathers	<i>Mary McDougall</i>	19 th
The Roman Catholic College of Cardinals		20 th
Jesus College, Cambridge	<i>Constance Jennings, Margaret Bottler</i>	21 st
Bishop Stephen	<i>Emily Glennie, Nellie Edwards, Merlin Rotherham-Brown</i>	22 nd
<i>Ken Copley</i>		
LSM Global		23 rd
The Parish	<i>George Head</i>	24 th
The Church of England		25 th
The Archbishop of Canterbury	<i>Philip Hall</i>	26 th
The Archbishop of York		27 th
Faithfulness in watching with Christ	<i>John Gilling (Pr.)</i>	28 th
<i>No intention today - Mass is not celebrated</i>		29 th
<i>No intention today - Mass is not celebrated</i>		30 th
The universal Catholic Church		31 st

Saint Joseph

19th March

*God our Father,
who from the family of Thy
servant David didst raise up
Joseph the carpenter
to be the guardian of Thine
incarnate Son
and husband of the Blessed Virgin
Mary: give us grace to follow him
in faithful obedience to thy
commands; through Jesus Christ
Thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.*



In the Gospel of Matthew, S. Joseph is depicted as a good man, a working carpenter, who trusted in God. He received God's messenger who shared with him God's will for him and for Mary, to whom he was engaged to be married. Luke's Gospel describes how Joseph took the new-born child as if He were his own. He was with Mary when, on the fortieth day after the birth, Jesus was presented in the Temple, 'where every first-born male is designated as holy to the Lord'. The adoption of Jesus by Joseph also established Jesus in the descent of David, to accord with the prophecy that Israel's deliverer would be of the House and lineage of David. S. Joseph, the silent man of the Gospels, is in the line of the great men of faith of the Old Testament. He is described as a "just man", a righteous man of integrity. He is in the tradition of Abraham who was called by God to "walk before my face and be upright" (Genesis 17:1); and of Moses who was told to be "entirely sincere", "entirely faithful" (Deuteronomy 18:13). For centuries his place in the story of Jesus was comparatively unnoticed. Gradually, however, he was recognised as patron of fathers, of bursars, of manual workers (especially carpenters) and of all who desire a holy death.

Interestingly, the Eastern Orthodox name Joseph's first wife as Salome, and hold that Joseph was a widower and merely betrothed, but never married, to Mary. References to Jesus' "brothers", therefore, are to children of Joseph and Salome. In the west, following S. Jerome's writing, Joseph is the husband of Mary, but references to Jesus' "brothers" mean cousins or step-brothers.

7:45am Low Mass and 7pm Sung Mass (*with a rare Lenten chance to sing the Gloria!*)

Might you join a Lunch Club at LSM?

Tim Wheatley writes...

You may know that proposals are at an advanced stage to establish a lunch club for the mentally ill, their carers and others who want to come along. The idea is that we develop on the basis of the existing Forum Lunch Club run at St James' Church, Wulfstan Way by the Friends of Fulbourn Hospital.

The Forum Lunch Club was set up 18 years ago, when it was felt that there was a need for older people, particularly academics and professionals, with mental health problems to meet once a month for lunch in a friendly and welcoming environment. It was considered very important that there should be no 'labelling' as such and that this lunch club was an excellent way to combat the very real danger of social isolation. The Forum Lunch Club is entirely run by volunteers, and is funded by the Friends of Fulbourn Hospital.

The lunch is served on the last Wednesday of every month and invitations are sent out with information including the guest speaker and entertainment.

The team meets a week before to plan the menu and all the food is cooked at home before being brought to the premises. On the day of the meal itself, the team has several different jobs: welcoming the guests, collecting the money (£5 per person), sitting at each table, helping to serve the food and clearing up. The scheme, at least initially, would be run as an activity of the Friends of Fulbourn Hospital using LSM volunteers and staff to take advantages of existing expertise and insurance cover.

There are already links between LSM and the Friends of Fulbourn Hospital: Clive Brown and Tim Wheatley are long-standing members of the Friends' Management Committee and Fr Greany, before he left, was the diocesan representative on the Committee. "The Friends" are remembered regularly in Intercessions here and we raise money at Friday Charity Lunches for them..

The Social Responsibility Group (SRG) is enthusiastic about this proposal, which furthers our mission in a way which makes good use of the new Parish Centre. **We shall need volunteer cooks, servers and simply people to be around and make members of the Forum feel welcome. Do contact Mary Ward (maryjward@btinternet.com) or any member of the SRG if you think you could help or would like to know more.**

Little S. Mary's Mission Work

There are various places and projects that appear regularly in prayers in church, which we might be aware of without ever knowing who they are or why we support them. So each month we're giving you information about them so that our prayers can be a bit more informed. This month:

CamRead

CamRead used to provide home visits to visually-impaired people to give help with reading and writing; audio recordings of books of local interest; and an audio magazine called CamMag, produced especially for visually-impaired listeners. Owing to cuts in funding, however, it closed on 31 December 2012.

Happily, however, the visiting continues through the charity CamSight and the audio magazine started by CamRead has found a new home with the charity Cambridge Talking News, which means that CamMag, compiled and recorded by its own volunteers, will continue to go out to listeners in Cambridge and beyond. So what does CamSight do?

Living with sight loss

They offer practical and emotional support in people's homes and communities. They provide monthly social groups in rural areas; equipment and technology centres offering demonstrations and advice; training in mobility and daily living skills and sport and leisure activities. They work with their partners to provide practical and emotional support to deaf people.

Volunteering

Volunteers support all areas of our work and help people by reading, befriending, driving and taking up activities together. They value their volunteers and provide training, support and social events.

Training

Their training increases understanding of the needs of blind and partially sighted people and the reality of living with sight loss. Visual awareness training is devised to meet individual needs.

Next month: Northern Ireland Children's Holiday Scheme

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SERVICES AT LITTLE SAINT MARY'S

Sundays

7:30am *Morning Prayer* **8am** *Low Mass*
10:30am *High Mass* **6pm** *Solemn Evensong & Benediction*

Weekdays

	<i>Low Mass</i>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
Monday	12:30pm	8:20am	6pm
Tuesday	7:45am	8:20am	6pm
Wednesday	10am & 7pm	8:20am	6pm
Thursday	7:45am	8:20am	6pm
Friday	12:30pm	8:20am	6pm
Saturday	10am	<i>Said privately</i>	6pm

Weekday Festivals

7pm *Sung Mass* (10am on Saturdays)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays at 10:30am & 6:30pm, after most Masses or by appointment

Coffee is served in the Parish Centre after the High Mass on Sundays and after the 10am Mass on Wednesdays.

There is a **Charity Lunch** after the 12:30pm Mass on Fridays, supporting home and overseas charities.

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