Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

First Sunday of Lent – 21st February, 2021, 10.30 am on Zoom, ID 675-014-6024, Password 859013

Opening Hymn & Call to worship:

Kyrie Confession:

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.** Make me a clean heart O Lord, and renew a right spirit within me Christ have mercy. Cast me not from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Amen. Absolution.

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. All: Amen.

First Reading: (1 Peter 3: 18-22)

18Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, 19in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 20who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. 21And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: (Mark 1: 9-15)

The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. All: Glory to you O Lord.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptised by John in the Jordan. 10And 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. 11And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

12And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 13He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. 14Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily - Revd Anne Hoad

Prayers

The Peace & Offertory Hymn

Eucharistic Prayer

Blessing & Closing Hymn

Notices.

Telephone Numbers for Covid-19 Vaccinations. 0204 542 8288; & for Guy's Hospital: 0207 188 4040.

Service for Second Sunday in Lent, Sunday 28th February, 2021, 10.30 am, on Zoom.

Evening Prayer, Thursday 25th February, 5 pm, on Zoom.

Morning Prayer, Friday 26th February, 9 am, on Zoom.

<u>Service for the World Day of Prayer</u>, Friday 5th March, 5 pm, on Zoom; joining details given out later. If anyone would like a copy of the service booklet for the Service, please let Diane Hudson know on 0208 857 0953. Diane is happy to deliver booklets or post them for those who are a long way away.

<u>Lent Course for 2021, Commencing Tuesday 23rd February, 8 pm.</u> This year's course will be based on the new book, "After Life...Afterlife?" by John Symons. Books can be purchased direct from Shepheard-Walwyn Publishers' website. Let me know if you wish to do this, and I will give you the code to obtain a 10% discount.

Bishop Christopher's Lent Appeal for 2021, is in favour of food poverty projects in Southwark Diocese, and in the link Dioceses of Zimbabwe and Jerusalem. Ideas for supporting the Appeal are warmly welcome. The Lent Call material has been published and can be found on the Diocesan website at https://southwark.anglican.org/lentcall
The projects are:

- Week 1: The Croydon Episcopal Area St Matthew, Redhill Food Bank
- Week 2: The Kingston Episcopal Area The Wandsworth Foodbank and Norwood & Brixton Food Bank
- Week 3: The Woolwich Episcopal Area LewCas and Lunchbox Library
- Week 4: Projects in the Link Dioceses Various food projects and agricultural projects in our four Link Dioceses in Zimbabwe
- Week 5: Jerusalem Diocese A feeding programme for families in need.

<u>MAP (Mission Action Plan) Initiative.</u> Support for the Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice. A fund-raising auction in support of GBCH will be held on Zoom on Saturday 20th March, 7.30 pm. Items for auction warmly welcome. Please keep items at home, to be shown on Zoom on the day.

<u>Diocesan Lay Conference for 2021.</u> Saturday 6th March. Full details available for all who are interested. Please contact Revd Ian.

A morning to explore Franciscan community life in the Church of England, Saturday 20 March, 9.30am – 1.00pm, Zoom. Life as a Franciscan Sister or Brother... could this be for me? Franciscan sisters and brothers share their stories of God's call and their life in community, alongside a film about Franciscans today to help us reflect, with opportunities for discussion and time for your questions. Booking essential: contact Sister Maureen noviceguardiancsf@franciscans.org.uk

<u>Mottingham Foodbank.</u> Provisions for the food bank may be donated Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat 9.30 am - 1 pm, and Wed 6-7 pm at St Edward's Church Hall.

<u>Prayers for the sick:</u> John Potts, Eddie Green, Brian Abbot, Pip Bampton, Jackie Ungar, Tom Biro, Christiana Ajiuya, Fiona Bailey-Sylvester, Rachel Stevens, Roger Welch, Revd Dave Warren, Roz Ware, Chloe Sissons, Ray Hole, John Symons, John Bulford, Jim Bulford, Helen Donaldson, Baby Cody, Gill Emm, Baby Ruby, Baby Indigo, Peggy Richards.

<u>We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers,</u> In particular Joan Lawley, Lucas Andrews, Jocelyn Reason, Margaret Spong and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.