

Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

Third Sunday of Lent – 7th March, 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. **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 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. **All: Amen.**

First Reading: (1 Corinthians 1: 18-25) 18The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'
20Where 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? 21For 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. 22For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, 23but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, 24but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

Alleluia: *Blessed are those who have endured temptation; they have stood the test, & will receive the crown of life.*

Gospel Reading: (John 2: 13-22)

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

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

13The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. 15Making 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. 16He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' 17His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' 18The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' 19Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' 20They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' 21But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 22After 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. **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 Mothering Sunday, Sunday 14th March, 2021, 10.30 am, on Zoom.

Mid-week Eucharist, Wednesday 10th March, 10 am, on Zoom.

Evening Prayer, Thursday 11th March, 5 pm, on Zoom.

Morning Prayer, Friday 12th March, 9 am, on Zoom.

Service for the World Day of Prayer, Warm thanks to Revd Catherine and all who read and sang at this annual CTIM Service.

Lent Course for 2021, Tuesday 9th March, 8 pm. This year's course is based on the new book, "After Life...Afterlife?" by John Symons. Books can be purchased direct from Shephard-Walwyn Publishers' website. Let me know if you wish to do this, and I will give you the code to obtain a 10% discount.

Standing Committee Meeting regarding APCM's for 2020 & 2021, Thursday 11th March, 7.30 pm, on Zoom.

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.**

MAP (Mission Action Plan) Initiative. 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. **ITEMS URGENTLY NEEDED!**

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

Mottingham Foodbank. 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.

Prayers for the sick: 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, Mary Houlston, Ann Pilcher, Tabitha Ungar, David and Janet Hughes, Betty Walsh.

We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers, In particular Joan Lawley, Jocelyn Reason, Margaret Spong, David Pilcher, Panagiotis Yalliourou and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.