

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The **Weekly Sheet**

6 March 2022

The 1st Sunday of Lent



Today:

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
8.45 am	Lent Breakfast
10.00 am	All Age Eucharist

Welcome to our services.

The Government lifted all legal restrictions regarding Covid recently, but for the time being, we continue to ask everyone who comes inside the church building to wear a mask, to use the hand sanitizer and to sign our 'track and trace' register. The chairs will be arranged in a safely-distanced way and we ask people to stay in their household groups.

We will review our guidance after our next PCC meeting in mid March.

Today's readings are:

Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Psalm 91.1, 2, 9-end; Romans 10.8b-13; Luke 4.1-13

Our hymns at 10 o'clock can be found on a separate sheet

Anthem: *The Lord bless you and keep you* (John Rutter)

Collect for today

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

This week:

Monday 7 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer in Church
	10.00 am	Meditation Group in the Study Centre
	2.00 pm	Staff Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday 9 th	10.15 am	Eucharist
Thursday 10 th	7.30 pm	Lent Group 1/6, via Zoom. See page 5 for details
Friday 11 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer in Church

Dates for your Diary:

16 March		Deadline for APCM Reports to the Office
17 March	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
3 April	11.30 am	APCM

Deuteronomy 26.1-11

First Fruits and Tithes

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Psalm 91.1,2,9-end

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the / Most / High
and abides under the / shadow / of the Al/mighty,
shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge / and my / stronghold,
my God, in / whom I / put my / trust.'
Because you have made the / Lord your / refuge
and the / Most / High your / stronghold,

there shall no evil / happen to / you,
neither shall any / plague come / near your / tent.
For he shall give his angels / charge / over you,
to / keep you in / all your / ways.
They shall bear you / in their / hands,
lest you dash your / foot a/gainst a / stone.
You shall tread upon the / lion and / adder;
The young lion and the serpent you shall / trample / under/foot.
Because they have set their love upon me,
therefore will / I de/liver them;
I will lift them up, be/cause they / know my / name.
They will call upon me and / I will / answer them;
I am with them in trouble,
I will de/liver them and / bring them to / honour.
With long life / will I / satisfy them
and / show them / my sal/vation.

Romans 10.8b-13

But what does it say?

'The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Luke 4.1-13

The Temptation of Jesus

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." '

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." '

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you",

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.” ’

Jesus answered him, ‘It is said, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.” ’ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Readings for next Sunday, 13 March 2022 (2nd Sunday of Lent)

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Phillippians 3.17-4.1; Luke 13.31-end.

Cambridge Half Marathon. Steve was due to run the half marathon today but due to a back injury has had to withdraw. However, Steve is registered to run the Milton Keynes half marathon on Monday 2nd May, so all your donations will not have been in vain! Thank you for all your support. You can still donate via his JustGiving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/steven-rothwell>

Lent Breakfasts. We are holding Lent breakfasts every Sunday during Lent on 6, 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April (but not Palm Sunday). There is no charge although a suggested donation of £3 towards the work of Traidcraft would be very welcome. To help with numbers please sign the list on the noticeboard. Offers to set up and prepare the breakfast and to assist with clearing away are also requested please. All are welcome.

Confirmation group for children. For any families interested in confirmation we are meeting on 13, 20 and 27 March after the 10 o'clock service - please speak to Steve. Any adults who may be interested, please also speak to Steve.

APCM: Our APCM meeting will be held on Sunday 3 April at 11.30 am (Zoom/in-person tbc). We have churchwarden and PCC vacancies. Could you fill one of these positions? If you think you might be interested, please speak to Steve.

APCM Reports. If you head up a group or church activity here at St James' please consider writing a report for our APCM. Reports only need to be a few lines long and should be for the period January – December 2021. Please forward as a Word document to Caroline by Wednesday 16 March at the very latest. Thank you. stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

We would very much like to regularly offer **tea and coffee after our 10 o'clock services**, starting as soon as possible, but are looking for more volunteers so that we can put a rota together. Please speak to Steve.

We are also looking for more support with **teas and coffees on Saturday mornings at the Food Hub**. We would like to reinstate our community coffee-style format this month but in the meantime we are continuing to serve refreshments to people whilst they queue. Again, let Steve know please if you can help.

Caroline will be working in the office on Wednesday and Thursday morning this week and working from home on Monday morning.

The **Food Hub** is open again regularly on Saturdays, 10.30 – 12 noon.



LENT

22

“What is justice? It’s a question we encounter everywhere in life and that over the last years has increasingly demanded an answer.

In the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Lent Book for 2022, Isabelle Hamley invites us on an exhilarating journey through Scripture to discover how we, as churches, communities and individual Christians, can seek and practice justice even when enmeshed in such a fractured world. Full of practical encouragement, *Embracing Justice* brilliantly weaves together biblical texts, diverse voices, contemporary stories, and personal and group meditations to reveal liberating and imaginative ways in which we may grow in discipleship—and more fully reflect the justice, mercy and compassion of Christ in our lives.”

Embracing Justice is available to purchase from bookshops as well as on-line (Amazon) etc. It is not essential to have a copy of the book but you may enjoy reading it as we go through the sessions.

We will meet on Zoom on the following evenings at 7.30 pm:
Thurs 10th, Wed 16th, Thurs 24th, Wed 30th March,
Wed 6th and Wed 13th April

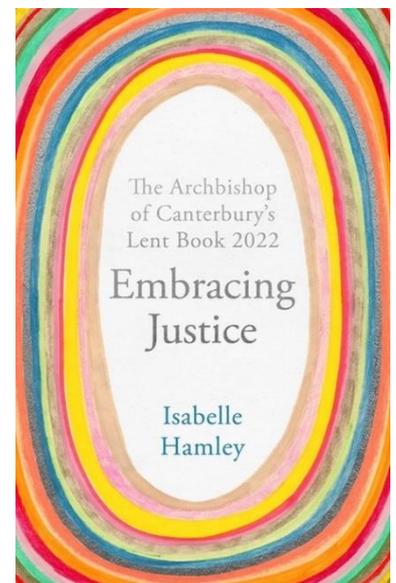
Zoom link for each session:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88929930333?
pwd=V015OTZOeFVhQXgzZ2SnJldlpxQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88929930333?pwd=V015OTZOeFVhQXgzZ2SnJldlpxQT09)

Meeting ID: 889 2993 0333

Passcode: 714764

The first session (Thursday 10th March) will be on Genesis with a particular focus on ch.3.1-21



Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Michael and Caroline Sanford and family
Monday	Janet and Robert Scott, Anne and Adam
Tuesday	Peggy Shortley
Wednesday	Mary and Michael Smale and family
Thursday	Lisa and Matthew Stocker, Emilia, Olivia, Reece and Talia
Friday	Anne Streater, Mark and Catherine
Saturday	Julie Turner and family

Contacts

Vicar	Rev'd Steve Rothwell (01223) 246108 s.rothwell3@btinternet.com
Curates	Rev'd Anne Strauss (on secondment until summer 2022) Rev'd Rosie Hewitt (on maternity leave until Advent 2022)
Churchwarden	Hatty Harris (01223) 504720 harrishatty458@gmail.com
Pastoral Assistant	Rosemary Monk (01223) 246421 rem66@btinternet.com
Director of Music	position vacant
The Music Group	Grae Worster (01223) 846295 mgw1@cam.ac.uk
Safeguarding Officer	Jill Bradley, 07971 013645 happybeadsuk@gmail.com
Church Office:	(01223) 246419 (Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9.15 am -1.15 pm)
E-mail:	stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk
Website:	stjamescambridge.org.uk

Weekly Church Activities

Junior Choir Practice	Sundays, 11.15 am – 12 noon
Choir Practice	Mondays, 6.30 pm—7.30 pm
Meditation Group	Mondays, 10.00 am

Community Activities

Beavers (6-8 yrs)	16thcambridgebeavers@gmail.com
Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)	Stephen Harrison, 07548 765421
Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)	16thcambridgescouts@gmail.com

Our parish magazine **Crosspiece** is available on the website.

If you are ordering goods from **Amazon**, please remember to use the Amazon link on the St James' website fundraising page. It doesn't cost you any more but gives St James a percentage of the price you pay.