



St **NICOLAS' CHURCH**
ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

Sunday 10 March 2019

Lent 1

*A warm welcome to all who join us to worship God
in the love and peace of his Holy Spirit*

8:00 am Holy Communion

The Revd Roger Williams

11:15 am Holy Communion

The Revd Paul Smith

Hymn	95	Forty days and forty nights
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.
1st Reading		Deuteronomy 26.1-11
2nd Reading		Romans 10.8b-13
Gradual	93	When Jesus came to Jordan
Gospel		Luke 4.1-13
Hymn	96	Jesu, lover of my soul
Hymn	97	Lord Jesus think on me
Hymn	533	O for a heart to praise my God

No collection will be taken at this Service, but a plate for your donation is available at the back of the Church - Thank you

NEXT WEEK at St Nicolas

Sunday 17

8:00 am Holy Communion

The Revd Dr Charles Miller

11:15 am Third Sunday

Mr Roderick Smith

& IN THE PARISH

Mon - Fri StH 9:10 am Morning Prayer – The Lady Chapel

Mon - Fri StH 5:10 pm Evening Prayer – The Lady Chapel

Tues StM 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Wed StH 10:30 am Holy Communion – Parish Centre

Thurs StM 11:00 am Circle Dancing

12:30 pm Said Mass followed by lunch

Sun 17 *StH* 8:00 am at St Nicolas

10:30 am Sung Eucharist

5:30 pm Choral Evensong *

StM 9:30 am Sung Mass

* The **Revd Jennifer Brown** will be Licensed to the Parish as a Self-Supporting Minister at Choral Evensong, next Sunday, 17 March. The service will be conducted by Bishop Colin Fletcher. Refreshments will follow in the South Aisle. We look forward to welcoming Jen to the parish and to gaining from her ministry and the gifts she brings. You can learn more about Jen in the article in this month's WINDOW, available at the back of church. *Fr Paul*

CHURCH NEWS

The St Nicolas Annual District Church Meeting will take place in Church on **Monday 18 March**, 7:15pm in Church. At this meeting we will need to Elect and Appoint TWO church wardens.

THREE DCC members to serve until 2022

TWO DCC Members to serve until 2021

TWO PCC representatives

one to serve until 2022

one to serve until 2021

Church-in-Abingdon representative(s)

and approve the nominations of stewards

Please consider who you might wish to nominate for these roles, and if they are happy to stand complete one of the Nomination Forms on the

North notice board. Copies of the papers for the meeting are now available at the back of church.

The Parish APCM will take place in St Helen's on **Thursday 4 April**.

TRAIDCRAFT Looking back. The value of sales last year in St Nicolas was an amazing £1,950. Thanks to everyone for your support last year and for many years before that.

Looking forward. Following their problems last year due mainly to difficult trading conditions Traidcraft has decided to downsize, whilst continuing to support producers in the developing world. In future they will be concentrating on selling basic items such as tea, coffee and other household essentials online, (www.traidcraftshop.co.uk).

We will continue to support Fair Trade at St Nicolas by sourcing as much as possible from Traidcraft and other Fair Trade organisations.

Stations of the Cross at St Michael's Church, Tuesday 12 March, 19 March, 2 April, 9 April, all at 7.30 pm. These fourteen 'stations' beautifully crafted and placed on the inside walls of the church depict the journey made by the Lord through his passion towards his final suffering and death. Devotions are led at each station to help us to meditate on what took place and 'pray' through the events. Please do join us. You will be most welcome.

The **February Edition of The Window** & the Spring issue of **Christian Focus** are now available at the back of church, donations towards printing costs welcome – in the wall safe please.

DIARY DATES

Tomorrow: CiA Lent Lectures 2019: Revd Dr Will Donaldson on *Healing grace and holy integrity*. Trinity Church, 7.45 for 8 pm start - 9.30 finish

Wednesday 13 March: Love Is His Meaning - Understanding the Teaching of Jesus - Talk by Keith Ward, former Regius Professor of Divinity, Oxford, 7.30 pm at Trinity Church. Organised by Abingdon Progressive Christianity Network Group. Tickets from Cliff Marshall cliff.marshall@pcnbritain.org.uk or 01235 530480.

Low Carbon Lent lunch for Christian Aid: part of the Christian Aid Lent Campaign 'Count Your Blessings – Rise Up Against Climate Change 2019'. Everyone is invited to a Low Carbon Lent lunch on Saturday 16 March, 12 – 1.30 pm, Abbey Baptist Chapel, Checker Walk, Abingdon. Come and learn about how the work of a Christian Aid partner organisation in the

Philippines is helping a remote community to thrive in a disaster-prone area that is vulnerable to the effects of climate change. Donations for the work of Christian Aid with such communities will be welcomed.

Saturday 6 April Big Easter Event and Abingdon Passion Play 12.30pm in the Abbey Gardens. At its heart, the Abingdon Passion Play (2pm) tells the last few days of Jesus' life in an accessible contemporary style.

If you would like to get involved contact Katharine de Villiers:
katharine@devilliersfamily.net or 07768022684

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- Revd Jen Brown as she prepares for her licensing and her ministry among us;
- Our ADCM and all called to serve, and the PCC meeting on Monday
- Justin our Archbishop, Steven, Colin and Henry our Bishops, Charles, Paul, Mary, and all who assist in liturgical and preaching ministry in this Parish;
- All who support the ministry of hospitality and welcome in this place;
- Our troubled and divided world.

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***Please send information for next week's pew slip to Eluned Hallas,
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