

St Clement's Church,
King Square

First Sunday of Lent

10th March 2019

Cabey, Jenette Skinner, Michael Nalty, Barry Chandler, Wendy Gorle, Valia Pecheva, Jason Buckham, Eddie Warr, Ayshia Best-Forbes, Pablo Emilio Bedoya, Milvida Lopez, Soledad Gonzalez, Linda Hughes, Bob Beukema, Arthur Gallagher, Johnny Gallagher, Joseph

Recently departed: Rita Ceria, Tony Dunn, Mr Rabin, Jodie Chesney

Anniversaries of Death: Lilian Drane, Rose Reynolds, Margaret Barber, John Kempton, Gerry Hawkesby, Martha Townsend, Thomas Arthur

In our Parish: We pray for the Police and Emergency Services, and for all who keep us safe.

In the wider world: We pray for the victims of knife crime and their families. We pray for an end to the epidemic of violence affecting young people.

Notices

This week in church....

Monday 11 th	9am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 12 th	9am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 13 th	9am Morning Prayer
Thursday 14 th	9am Morning Prayer 11am Thursday Group 12.30pm Mass

Next Sunday **Second Sunday of Lent**
10.30am Sung Mass

Stations of the Cross

This year our traditional and much-loved devotion will be on Monday evenings beginning on **Monday 11th March at 7pm in church.**

Thursday Group

This Lent we'll be restarting our tea and talk group, **11am on Thursday mornings.** During Lent we'll be talking about Creation, and our part in it.

Lent Appeal

Among the traditional good works of Lent is giving to charity. There are many great causes, but this year St Clement's will be supporting **The Dunloe Centre at St Saviour's Priory** and the **Diocesan Lent Appeal against Modern Slavery.** More information on the latter can be found at:

<https://www.london.anglican.org/articles/bishop-londons-lent-appeal-2019-modern-day-slavery/>

Welcome to St Clement's Church, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us this morning. If you are a visitor to St Clement's or are here for the first time today we're very glad to welcome you. Please introduce yourself to the clergy after the service. You are very welcome to join us for refreshments which will be served in the vestibule after the service. Donations towards the cost of refreshments provided by parishioners are gratefully received.

*You'll find this morning's service in the Mass booklet, and the hymns in the hymn book. Today's Bible readings, parish prayers and news are on this sheet. We ask, as a matter of courtesy to others and respect for the Sacrament, to keep **SILENCE** both waiting to receive and after receiving Holy Communion.*

St Clement's is delighted to receive all donations for our work. UK taxpayers can increase their gift by over 20% by placing it in the Gift Aid envelope you'll find in the back of the seat in front. Please remember to fill in and sign the envelope.

During the second hymn children of school age will be invited to leave for a story and activity in the Kids' Club Room. They return to receive a blessing at Holy Communion. The soft play area remains available for children of all ages. For child safeguarding as well as health and safety reasons we ask parents and carers to supervise children not in Kids' Club at all times. If a child becomes noisy or restive please don't be embarrassed. The vestibule (as you entered church) is a great "time out" space, and we encourage you to use it (and there's a speaker so you can still follow the service). You're welcome to use the toys provided. We all appreciate your thoughtfulness and understanding.

Collect

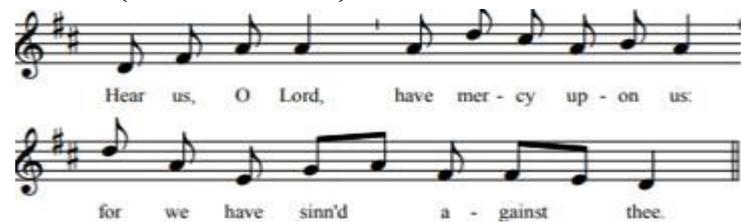
Almighty God,
Whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days
in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves
in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading (Deuteronomy 26.1-11)

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.
Moses spoke to the people, saying: 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 (Lenten Prose)



**Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. **R**

O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father:
way of salvation, gate of life celestial:
cleans thou our sinful souls from all defilement. **R**

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated:
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. **R**

Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee:
with true contrition, now no more we veil them:
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. **R**
Innocent captive, taken unresisting:
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,
save us, we pray thee, Jesu, our Redeemer. **R**

Second Reading (Romans 10.8b-13)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.
What does scripture 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.'

Gospel Reading (Luke 4.1-13)

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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.

Post Communion

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For your prayers

Albert Placide, Nico Fletcher, Eric Stovell, Michael Cole, Martina Robinson, Melanie Dowland, Jane Reynolds, Freya Paul, Ebenezer, Jessica, Winnie Hull, Sheila McPhee, Lesley Cox, Mary Cassell, Charmain, Janet McLagan, Terry Lefevre, June Hutchins, Rosemary Witts, Daniel Donkor, David Bedding, Michael Rickens, Kenneth & Barbara Clifford, Heidi Williams, Frances Sullivan, Michael Nalty, Lacey Robinson, Jeff Sutherland, Neil Rider, June Bradley, Elizabeth Miah, Ana Maria Gonzalez, Paul Abuaji, Tracey Coulson, Flo Hinton, the Cleary family, David Hart, Shaboy Burns, David McLintock, Leonard Robinson, James Wellington, Thomas