

Collect for Third Sunday of Lent

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. Amen

(or)

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

READINGS

Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17.1-7
Romans 5.1-11
John 4.5-42

Mothering Sunday

Exodus 2.1-10
Colossians 3.12-17
John 19.25-27

OUR PRAYERS

We pray for:

*In Churches Together: Jubilee Community Church
The residents of Byron Grove, Chaucer Avenue,
Dickens Close, Tennyson Rise
Our supported charity: Church Urban Fund*

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Wednesday at 10.30 am**

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The Parish Church of St. Swithun, East Grinstead with St. Barnabas & St. Luke NOTICES SHEET

Sunday, 19th March 2017 Third Sunday of Lent

8 am	The Eucharist
10 am	SUNG EUCHARIST
6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

Monday 20th March

8 pm	Men's Relax
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Tuesday 21st March

8 pm	The Eucharist in <i>St Swithun's Hall</i>
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Wednesday 22nd March

10 am	The Eucharist at <i>St Swithun's</i>
10 am	Tea & Toys

Thursday 23rd March

10.30 am	Tiny Tots service
11 am	Healing Eucharist at <i>St Barnabas'</i>

Friday 24th March

10 am	Friday Fun
10 am	St Swithun's Prayer Group

Saturday 25th March

10 am	The Eucharist at <i>St Luke's (QVH)</i>
10 am	St Barnabas' Coffee Morning

Sunday, 26th March 2017 MOTHERING SUNDAY

8 am	The Eucharist
10 am	WORSHIP TOGETHER
6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

NOTICES

FOCUS ON GIVING. Please collect your personal letter from the Vicar to all church members on the Electoral Roll. It is at the back of church.. This is in preparation for our review of regular giving starting 2nd April. Please also help by delivering letters to any friends and neighbours who may not be able to get to church. *Andrew Milton-Thompson*

POSIES FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY – help needed to make 150 posies! Sat 25th March, 9.30 – 10.30 am in the Hall. No flower arranging experience needed, just lots of enthusiasm!. *Deborah*

THE REAL EASTER EGG – a great way to buy a Fairtrade chocolate egg and share the Easter story with youngsters, all for £3.99. Each egg includes a 24 page Easter story activity book to celebrate the real meaning of Easter. I have ordered 24 eggs this year to see how they sell. Contact me if you would like one. *Deborah (314147)*.

ELECTORAL ROLL. This is not a full renewal year, so those already on the roll do not need to do anything, unless your contact details have changed. Please let me know if this is the case. If you wish to apply for enrolment please complete an application form which can be found in church. The roll will close on 26th March. *Mavis Merwood*

FRIDAY 10 am PRAYER GROUP is not meeting during Lent. We restart after Easter when we would welcome new members.

COFFEE MORNING AT ST. BARNABAS' is next Saturday (25th) at 10 am. All welcome.

COLLECTING BOXES AND THE OLD £1 COIN. The new £1 coin comes in this month. If you have any collecting boxes for the parish, please check that any containing the old £1 coin are emptied by 15th October. *John Durrant, PCC Secretary*

ANNUAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS. To save paper the Parish Report document parish and the Church Report & Accounts will be emailed to all our email subscribers in the next week. If you do not currently receive the bulletin by email but want to see an advanced copy of the reports and accounts, please email admin@swithhq.org.uk. A small number of printed copies will be available for reference at the APCM on 23rd April.

WEST DOOR REPAIRS. Further apologies for the continuing delay. The specialist joinery firm are no longer involved; they were unable to give a firm date to start the repair. With Graham Everest's help, I am now looking to arrange an in-house repair. *Tony Cox*

FOODBANK The Foodbank are appealing for Easter stocks by 30th March of: small Easter eggs e.g. crème egg (no large eggs please), jam, small tins of sweetcorn, tinned pasta (hoops etc), jars of pasta sauce, tinned fruit (peaches etc), tinned custard, tinned tuna, tinned meat (meatballs, hotdogs) There will also be a short Foodbank talk at the Annual Town Meeting at 7 pm on Wed, 29th March at East Court. *Tony Cox*

SPRING CHARITY FEAST – this will take place at various restaurants between 24th April and 22nd May to raise money for 5 local charities. Please see posters and handouts for information.

ST MATTHEW PASSION performance by East Grinstead Choral Society with Mark Padmore as The Evangelist. 1st April, 6 pm at Jubilee Community Centre. Tickets £15 each from Bullfrog Music or Jane Clifford.