OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the work of the Church of Ceylon among Sri Lanka's tea plantation communities, and we pray for all global initiatives that seek to fulfil the aims of UN Sustainable Development Goal Four, so that all people might have access to lifelong learning.

In Burundi we pray for those seeking the way of violence that they would instead seek reconciliation between all parties.

In our diocese we pray that greater awareness of self-injury may lead to greater understanding, banish judgement and fear, and reduce the number of people who suffer in silence.

In our parish we pray for all members of the congregation who live outside the parish, for their communities and for the residents and staff of Belvedere House.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of All Souls' Church, for their priest, Father Michael Brandon, and for their deacon, Paul Rabvukwa.

Those in need:

In hospital: Don Driver

Those who are ill / recovering from surgery / awaiting results of recent medical tests / the housebound:

Anthony Buckley, Anne Mahiques, Ruby Brown, Hazel Cantes and Dorothy Hope

We commemorate the departed:

In Annual Remembrance:

Herbert Welch (Snr), Robert Pettifer, Gladys Carter, Esme Ball and Doreen Moyle.

Lord, temper with tranquillity our manifold activity, that we may do our work for thee with very great simplicity.

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please ring Ian Leitch (Churchwarden) on 024 7667 7683. If you would like a name placed on the **Prayer Chain** (which can be confidential), please speak to Christine O'Brien or email her at prayerchstb@gmail.com.



INTERCESSIONS

ST BARBARA'S EARLSDON THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT SUNDAY 4TH MARCH 2018

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick 10.00 AM SUNG EUCHARIST President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick THEME Spiritual Disciplines: (5) Enjoying Life HYMNS 466, Psalm 100 (BCP p473), 19, 510, 817, 412 Green Hymn Books SERVICE BOOK Lent Service Book (p15 purple) CHORAL SETTING Appleford OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 1:27 – 2:3 Ed Manning GOSPEL Luke 15:11-32 Preacher Sarah Raistrick SERMON

A Symbol of the Passion: A "Crown of Thorns" is hung on the cross

Elaine Settle

Our God is a king of love, by living in compassion, by living in truth, by living in justice, God restores us:

ALL: Saviour, we offer you love and worship.

The children will withdraw to *Hive*. After the 10am service you are invited to refreshments in the Hall

Please note the **Order of Service**, **Weekly Leaflet and hymns** are available in large print at the back of church each week. We have a loop system in church and you should <u>switch to 'T' position</u> for best reception.

Instructions for taking Communion

Please wait for the sides-person (who gave you your hymn book) to direct you to the altar rail. If you wish to take communion in your seat please let a sides-person or duty warden know, if possible before the service starts.

Collect for the 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.

DIARY

Monday 5th March

10.30am Service at Herald Lodge (John McCutchion);10.45am House Communion at Melbourne House (Ian Leitch);

Tuesday 6th March

12 noon – 1.30pm Lent Lunch (All Souls' Church);
2.00pm Lent Group, On the Third Day at 45 Ainsbury Road;
7.30pm Mission Committee (vicarage)

Wednesday 7th March

- 9.30am Prayers and Bears (doors open 8.45) in the WellSpring;
- 11.30am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;
- 11.30am House Communion at Belvedere Park (Ian Leitch);
- 2.15pm Wednesday Fellowship (incorporating Friendship Group); Speaker: Rev'd Graham Gee; in the WellSpring;
- 7.30pm *Exploring Reconciliation*, with Rev'd Sarah Hills of the Community of the Cross of Nails, who will also share more about the work of CCN (vicarage); All welcome.
- 7.30pm Lent Group, On the Third Day in WellSpring, EMC.

Friday 9th March

7.00pm Choir Practice;

7.00pm Women's World Day of Prayer service – last Friday's postponed service (Earlsdon Methodist Church);

Saturday 10th March

9.45am Posy making (meeting room) & Work Party (church);

Sunday 11th March – Mothering Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick; 10.00am All Age Worship; Minister: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick; Readings: T.B.A.; Talk: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick; Intercessions: T.B.A.;

Lent Lunches continue on Tuesday with a lunch at All Souls' Church from 12noon until 1.30pm. Enjoy a simple lunch and friendly chat.

Evening on Reconciliation with Canon Sarah Hills. This Wednesday (7th March) at 7.30pm at St Barbara's vicarage, Canon Sarah Hills from the Community of the Cross of Nails will be coming to speak about reconciliation. It should be a fantastic evening. Do come along.

To contact the Vicar, Rev'd Tulo Raistrick, please phone 024 7501 7889 (preferably not Mondays) or email tulo@raistricks.com

NOTICES

APCM: The Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place following the 10am service on Sunday, 18th March. If you wish to stand for election as churchwarden, PCC member or sidesperson, please complete a nomination form a.s.a.p. We will have <u>two vacancies for churchwarden</u>, as Ian is disqualified after serving six years. The annual revision of the Church Electoral Roll is now complete. Any further additions or amendments cannot be made until after the APCM.

Lent Groups: Two study groups are meeting throughout Lent to follow the York Course "On the Third Day" with discussions by Libby Lane (Bishop of Stockport), Tom Wright (former Bishop of Durham), Ruth Gee (former President of the Methodist Conference) and Paul Vallely (R.C. journalist & broadcaster). The groups will meet on Tuesdays at 2pm at 45 Ainsbury Road and on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Earlsdon Methodist Church.

Diocesan Centenary: A new website has been launched to celebrate the Centenary – www.cov100.org . This website will be updated throughout the year with information about all the events happening to celebrate the centenary, please watch out for news about it!

As well as being an informative website, the Centenary website will also be a page entitled 'Memories of our Diocese' where people from around the diocese can share thoughts and memories. These could be memories of big events (such as ordination services, installation of new Bishops, opening of a new school, deanery mission weeks etc.), smaller events (such as summer fetes, Christmas carol concerts etc.) or thoughts about changes within a parish / church over a number of years. The diocese is looking for written memories (about 1 -2 paragraphs long) and if you have any photographs that would also be great. Anyone can send in a memory so if you know someone who might be interested, please let them know. Please send memories to Anna Laycock at anna.laycock@covcofe.org. Also, the diocese will be looking to film a small number of people relating their memories. If you or someone you know would be interested in being filmed, please let Anna know.

Fairtrade Fortnight has begun. We are a Fairtrade Church. Please consider buying Fairtrade goods, which give a fair return the poorest farmers and their communities. Why not buy Fairtrade throughout Lent, and ask the local shops to stock a wider range of Fairtrade products?

Information for inclusion in the WL should be sent in writing to Ian Leitch (email: ianleitch094@btinternet.com or 94, Earlsdon Avenue South) before the copy deadline of 6pm on Wednesday.