OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we pray for the Church in North and South India that it will continue speaking up for those whose voices are not heard and be a prophetic voice calling the unjust to repentance.

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 for all those who are led into self-injury, and ask for greater understanding so that judgement and fear may be banished, and the number of those who suffer in silence reduced.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Stanway Road & Stoneleigh Avenue and for the residents and staff of Melbourne House.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of Hearsall Baptist Church and their pastor, Rev'd David Sutcliffe.

Those in need:

In hospital:

All those who are ill / recovering from surgery / awaiting results of recent medical tests / the housebound, of whom we name today:

Marion Arkell, Suzanne Frey-Kupper, Ruby Brown, Ben Spriggs, Hazel Cantes, and Valerie Loft.

We commemorate the departed: Jake Price

In Annual Remembrance:

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

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please email Ian Leitch on ianleitch094@btinternet.com. 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.



ST BARBARA'S EARLSDON THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2019

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

10.00 AM PARISH COMMUNION President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

HYMNS 512, 19, 593, 546, 483, 200 Green Hymn Books

SERVICE BOOK Ordinary Time – C (p 22, buff)

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 4:23 - 31 Andrew Boardman

GOSPEL Luke 9:28 - 36 Preacher

SERMON Rev'd Tulo Raistrick

INTERCESSIONS Simon Harper

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 Sunday next before Lent:

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

DIARY

Wednesday 6th March – Ash Wednesday

9.30am Prayers and Bears (doors open 8.45) in the WellSpring;

11.30am Ash Wednesday Holy Communion;

President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick:

2.15pm Wednesday Fellowship (incorporating Friendship Group);

Speaker: Rev'd Graham Gee in the WellSpring;

7.30pm Ash Wednesday Holy Communion;

President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Reading: Isaiah 58:1-12 Keith Wright;

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 Preacher

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Thursday 7th March

7.15pm Film Night: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society (12)* starring Tom Courtney and Penelope Wilton;

Friday 8th March

9.30am Knitting and Creatives Group (office);

7.00pm Choir Practice;

Saturday 9th March

9.45am Work Party in the church and grounds;

Sunday 10th March

8.00am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

10.00am Sung Eucharist; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: Romans 10:8b-13 Doreen Merlo;

Luke 4:1-15 Preacher;

Sermon: Dave Butler;

Intercessions: Dan Rathbone;

Followed by Spring Walk and Soup;

6.30pm Prayer Meeting;

An opportunity to come together in prayer;

The Diocesan Prayer Diary for March is in the lobby. Please take a copy this morning for your daily use.

Information for inclusion in the next W/L should be sent in writing to Keith Wright (email: k.wright@virgin.net) before the copy deadline of 6pm on Wednesday.

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

NOTICES

Living Lent 2019: Lent begins on Wednesday. During each week, the weekly leaflet will provide you with the daily readings, give you a weekly Lent challenge, and give you information about our Lent Appeal.

Daily Readings: Wed: Luke 1:1-38; Thurs: Luke 1:39-80; Fri: Luke 2:1-20; Sat: 2:21-52 (Daily reflection questions are available at the back of church and via daily email – contact tulo@raistricks.com to sign up.)

Lent Challenge: At the end of each day, write down all the good things you have enjoyed or received. Give thanks to God. Pray for people who will have gone without these things.

Lent Appeal: This year St Barbara's is supporting Tearfund's Church and Community Transformation programme. This programme over the last decade has worked with over 10,000 churches in relieving poverty, improving health, providing education and bringing hope in 41 countries around the world, helping to transform the lives of almost 10 million people. Each week we will tell a story from around the world of the transformation that has been brought.

New Electoral Roll 2019 There are a number of electoral roll forms which haven't yet been returned – you only have another week to return them to me – that is by next Sunday March 10th. Thank you. *Keith Wright*.

Social Events: A varied series of events has been planned spreading throughout the year. Two of them are coming up next month:

Sunday, 10th March - Spring Walk and Lunch: We'll go for a walk straight after the service, before returning to the Hall for soup. This has proved very popular in the last couple of years, so come and join us.

Saturday, 23rd March - Fish and Chip Quiz: Reveal your hidden talent, or better still, form a team. Tickets are available from Jo Johanson at £4.50 per person, and include a menu of three meal choices (including a

vegetarian option) and tea or coffee.

CTEC Lent Groups: Two ecumenical Lent groups will each hold five meetings during Lent to follow a York course titled *Daring to see God Now*. With course booklet, the material includes lively recorded discussions to start each session. Mark's Gospel begins with Jesus "proclaiming the Good news of God" - but what is this 'good news', and who is it for? This course raises important questions about change, repentance, and how we can become in ourselves living evidence of the good news.

One group will meet on Tuesday afternoons at 2pm from 12th March at 94 Earlsdon Avenue South, and the other will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm from 20th March at Earlsdon Methodist Church. You would receive a welcome at each of these groups. Try a group this Lent!