

OUR PRAYERS

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for the Church in the Philippines, as it seeks to empower the indigenous peoples, through education and mobilising Filipino people to pursue life in its fullness and encouragement to be active witnesses against injustice.

We pray for all **political leaders** in our country, and we ask you to guide the members of the Labour and Liberal Democratic Parties as they select new party leaders, that they may have concern for the welfare and well-being of all people.

In our diocese during Ovarian Cancer Month we pray for a greater awareness of the disease and of the “silent” symptoms, so that many more women may be treated early and successfully. We give thanks for those who care for affected women and for those treating the disease.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Spencer Ave & St Andrew's Rd and for the residents and staff of Elsie Jones House.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of St Mary Magdalen Church and their vicar, Rev'd Dwayne Engh, as they prepare for the Lent Lunch on Tuesday.

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:

Stephanie Cotton, Mabel Cronin, Mary Owen and Ben Spriggs.

We commemorate the departed: Don Evans and Arlene Wood

In Annual Remembrance:

David Williams, Charles Winstone, Kate Hill and Mitch Moore.

If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion. 14th Dalai Lama

If you would like someone mentioned in the **Weekly Sick List**, please email Ian Leitch on ianleitch094@gmail.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
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
SUNDAY 15TH MARCH 2020**

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Carol Newborn

10.00 AM PARISH EUCHARIST President: Rev'd Norman Stevens

HYMNS 70, Psalm 95 (BCP p 468); 127; 27; 487; 148
Green Hymn Books

SERVICE BOOK Seasons – Lent (p21, purple)

CHORAL SETTING Appleford

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 17:1-7 Andrew Boardman

GOSPEL John 5:1-15 Preacher

SERMON Rev'd Norman Stevens

INTERCESSIONS Andrea Driver

Symbol of the Passion: “Crown of Thorns” is placed near the cross

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.

We welcome **Rev'd Carol Newborn** and **Rev'd Norman Stevens** who will preside and preach at our Eucharists this morning.

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 switch to 'T' position for best reception.

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

Tuesday 17th March

Noon to 1.30pm Lent Lunch (St Mary Magdalen Church);

Wednesday 18th March

9.30am *Prayers & Bears*, WellSpring (doors open 8.30am);

11.30am Holy Communion; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

2.15pm Wednesday Fellowship; Speaker: Dave Dees on his *Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela*; WellSpring, Earlsdon Methodist Church;

7.30pm CTEC Lent Course: *Difference – the power of faith in a conflicted world*, Earlsdon Methodist Church; CTEC Committee meeting cancelled;

7.45pm Wednesday Group (94 Earlsdon Avenue South);

Thursday 19th March

7.45pm Pilgrim Group (Vicarage);

11.15am Funeral for Malcolm Darbyshire (Canley Crematorium);

Friday 20th March

9.30am *Busy Bees @ St Bs* aka Knitting & Creatives (office);

7.00pm Choir Practice;

Sunday 22nd March – Mothering Sunday

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

10.00am All Age Service; President: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Readings: Exodus 2:1 - 10
John 4:5 – 24

Sermon: Rev'd Tulo Raistrick;

Repair Cafe Coventry will be opening on Saturday 28th March at the Earlsdon Park Village, Albany Road, CV5 6JQ. It will be open each fourth Saturday of each month from 10am to 12 noon and is looking for volunteers to help fix things that members of the public will bring in. If you have specific skills such as sewing, soldering, bicycle repairs or just are generally good with repairing broken items such as toys, radios or lamps, then please help us keep these out of landfill and give them a new lease of life. If you don't want to volunteer, but have something to fix, there is no charge for repairs, but a donation is suggested towards the running costs of the Repair Cafe.

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

NOTICES

Coronavirus Update: Following recommendations from the Church of England and medical advice, for the next few weeks, we will not share the peace via physical contact (e.g. handshake), but rather verbally and by sign language for "peace". During communion, only the bread will be distributed. If the situation changes, we will let you know. Please do pray for all those around the world affected by the virus.

Lent Lunches continue on Tuesday with a lunch at St Mary Magdalen Church from 12noon until 1.30pm. Enjoy a simple lunch and friendly chat.

RBL Memorial Board: The PCC has applied to the diocese for permission to install a remembrance honours board on the west wall of the church above the Book of Remembrance. The board shows the names of the serviceman and civilians who were employees of the Standard Motor Company and who lost their lives during the Second World War. It was originally installed in the company's main office block, but ever since those buildings were demolished, it has sought a permanent home, and the local Royal British Legion Branch approached us. Full details are displayed in the lobby opposite the entrance to church; if you have further questions, please speak with Keith Wright.

Week of Prayer and Repentance: The Anglican Communion is called to a week of prayer and repentance during the fifth week of Lent in 2020 - from Sunday 29th March to Sunday 5th April. Resources are available at <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/prayer.aspx>

Christ in the Precinct has been an annual event for the past 30 years in Coventry, and involves many churches in the city who jointly present the Easter story to the general public. This will take place in Shelton Square on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday (10:00am - 3:00pm). There is a Good Friday Walk of Witness through the town following a half-hour 11.00 service. Please can you support this venture with your prayers, presence, participation and service. Donations of small wrapped Easter eggs or financial contributions are most welcome. St. Barbara's Church choir will be singing Saturday 11th April at about 1:15pm, For more information, please speak with Bashie Bains.

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

St Barbara's Church PCC has the Registered Charity Number: 1185293.