



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 18th February 2018

## The First Sunday of Lent

### Services Today

**9.30am** Said Mass with Family Ministry  
**Hymns:** 67: S 29

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon  
**Hymns:** 67: 307: 70: 64

**12.30pm** Baptism of Alivia Mai Cindyana De Ornelas

### 676 The First Sunday of Lent

**Introit** He shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto him; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with length of days will I satisfy him.

**Psalms** Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Glory be...

**Gradual** He shall give his Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. *℣.* They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

**Tract** Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. *℣.* I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope and my stronghold: my God, in him will I trust. *℣.* For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence. *℣.* He shall defend thee under his wings: and thou shalt be safe under his feathers. *℣.* His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler: thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night. *℣.* Nor for the arrow that flieth by day; for the pestilence that walketh in darkness: nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noonday. *℣.* A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee. *℣.* For he shall give his Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. *℣.* They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone. *℣.* Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet. *℣.* Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath known my Name. *℣.* He shall call upon me, and I will hear him: yea, I am with him in trouble. *℣.* I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

**Offertory** He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

**Communion** The Lord shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

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## 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.

## Old Testament Reading - Genesis Ch9 v8-17

<sup>8</sup>Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>‘As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.’ <sup>12</sup>God said, ‘This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.’ <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, ‘This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.’

## New Testament Reading - 1 Peter Ch3 v18-22

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

## **Gospel - Mark Ch1 v9-15**

<sup>9</sup>Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

<sup>12</sup>And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

## **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.

### **Please remember in your prayers**

Elizabeth Opie, Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,  
Alisha De Guerin, Tony Renouf, Christine Shaw, Brenda Penfold  
Barbara Streek and David Le Lièvre.

Please pray also for Pam; for Michele, Jaike and Glyn, all suffering from  
cancer; for Melvyn Boxall, Bill Brend, Chris Bellinger;  
and for Samuel, a 12 year-old boy diagnosed with leukaemia.

## Services for this week

**Monday 19th February 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group**

**Tuesday 20th February 11.00am** Said Mass - Wulfric - Monk, 1154

**Wednesday 21st February 7.00pm** Said Mass - Peter Damian - Bishop, 1072

**Thursday 22nd February 2.00pm** Lent Course '**On the Way**' – **Session 1**

**Friday 23rd February 7.00pm** Said Mass - Polycarp - Martyr, 155

**Sunday 25th February**

**The Second Sunday of Lent**

**9.30am Family Service**

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon

## FORTHCOMING FAIRTRADE EVENTS

**'Fairtrade Men's Big Breakfast 50'**

**at Les Cotils Harry Bound Room**

**Saturday 24th February 2018 at 8.45am.**

£9.95 for Full English and £5.95 Continental.

Please let Roy Sarre (tel: 263930, e-mail: madroy@cwgsy.net) or Paul Davis (tel: 236606, e-mail: lasabliere@cwgsy.net) know if you plan to attend.

**'Come on in...and open more doors to Fairtrade'**

**at Les Cotils Reading Room**

**Monday 26th February 2018 at 7.30pm.**

Professor Kevin Bales CMG, an expert on modern-day slavery, will speak at a special evening to launch Fairtrade Fortnight 2018.

## Outreach Project 2018

For our Lent giving this year we will be collecting for

**MAF and/or Tumaini**

Please collect a box from the  
Black Chest

Please join us for refreshments:

- *in the Vicarage after the 9.30am Mass*
- *in the Vestry after the 11.00am Mass*

*After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!*

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**

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