



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 24th February 2019

The Second Sunday before Lent Sexagesima

9.30am	Family Service
Hymns	S.31: S.3
11.00am	Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns	466: 352: 191: 439 (Omit*)
12.30pm	Baptism - Pixie Merrien

673 Sexagesima (or the Second Sunday before Lent)

Introit Arise, O Lord, wherefore sleepest thou? awake, and cast us not away for ever: wherefore hidest thou thy countenance, and forgettest our adversity and misery? our belly cleaveth unto the ground; arise, and save us, O Lord, our helper and our deliverer.

Psalm O God, we have heard with our ears: our fathers have told us. Glory be...

Gradual Let the nations know that thou, whose Name is Jehovah: art only the Most Highest over all the earth. *V.* O my God, make them like unto a wheel: and as the stubble before the wind.

Tract Thou hast moved the land, O Lord: and divided it. *V.* Heal the sores thereof: for it shaketh. *V.* That they may triumph because of the truth: that thy beloved may be delivered.

Offertory O hold thou up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not; incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words: shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, O Lord; thou that art the Saviour of them that put their trust in thee.

Communion I will go unto the altar of God: even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

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Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading - Genesis Ch2 v4b-9 & v15-25

^{4b}In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; ⁶but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— ⁷then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. ⁸And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.'¹⁹ So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh.

²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken.'

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

New Testament Reading - Revelation Ch4

¹After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will

show you what must take place after this.’² At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne!³ And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald.⁴ Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads.⁵ Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God;⁶ and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind:⁷ the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle.⁸ And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

‘Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.’

⁹And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, ¹⁰the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

¹¹‘You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.’

Gospel - Luke Ch8 v22-25

²²One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, ‘Let us go across to the other side of the lake.’ So they put out, ²³and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴They went to him and woke him up, shouting, ‘Master, Master, we are perishing!’ And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵He said to them, ‘Where is your faith?’ They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?’

Post Communion

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Services This Week

Monday 25th February 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group

Tuesday 26th February 11.00am Mass - BCP

Wednesday 27th February 7.00pm Mass - George Herbert - Poet, 1633

Thursday 28th February 11.30am - The Divine Healing Order of Mary (Vestry)

Friday 1st March 7.00pm Mass - David of Wales - Bishop, c. 601

Sunday 3rd March 2019

The Sunday Next before Lent

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Please remember in your prayers

Judy Bobbitt, Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre,
Hazel and John Greany, Brenda Penfold, Val Moullin,
Alisha De Guerin, a young man recovering from a problem with drugs,
Rose, Daphne Swann and Lyn Trieschmann.
Pray also for Barbara Winter; for Michele, Jaiké and Glyn;
for Melvyn Boxall; for Chris Bellinger.

Social Events Committee

The Social Events Committee will meet in the Vestry at
9.30am on Tuesday 26th February.

All are welcome to attend.

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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