

## Team News

**The latest guidance from the Church of England on receiving the Eucharist during the coronavirus will be given in the notices at the start of the service**

**Little Saints toy swap.** Due to the poor weather on Wednesday the toy swap has been extended by a week.

**Little Saints needs you!** Little Saints Toddler group runs every Thursday (term time only) from 1pm to 2:45pm in the Parish Hall in Westbury. For more information please speak to Melanie, Hilary Price (All Saints) or Jenny Denton (Holy Trinity)

**LENT COURSE:** The Lent Group meeting at 7 Caspian Gardens on Tuesday afternoons starts at 2.15pm.

**SCHOOLS EXPERIENCE: Experience Easter update:** We now have two schools definitely attending Experience Easter. Westbury Juniors will come to All Saints Church at 12.30pm on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Each class will take an hour to rotate through six stations telling the main parts of the Easter story. On Thursday afternoon 26<sup>th</sup> March Dilton Marsh school will come to Holy Trinity at 1.45pm for their Experience Easter. **Two or more volunteers are still needed for Thursday.** Please pray for the volunteers, staff and children during this time.

### Morning Prayer in the White Horse Team

From March the staff team would like to start praying regularly together in our churches for our people, our ministry and mission in our parishes, as well as the needs of our world and our nation. We are planning to meet as follows, starting on 2 March:

Monday at All Saints Westbury at 9.00 am

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Wednesday at Holy Trinity Dilton Marsh at 8.30 am

Thursday at Holy Saviour, Westbury Leigh at 8.30 am. Prayers will last up to 30 minutes.

This is for anyone who would like to join us. We shall use the service for Morning Prayer from the Church of England, or we may try other formats if people would like it. If there is anything you would like us to include in the prayers, you are welcome to join us, or let one of us know and we can include it. This is a good thing to start in Lent, as we seek to draw close to God and prepare for Holy Week and Easter. This is not just for Lent, but will be for all year round. We look forward to seeing you!

**RETREAT** A retreat is planned by the Fully Alive Group to take place at Hilfield Friary from Tuesday 12th to the 15th May 2020. The retreat leader will be the Rev, Norma Payne. There are a few vacant places. If you would like to come please see Agnes for further details and an application form. Tel: 01373 859163. Deadline for applications: 31st March 2020. A quiet time away might be just what you need.

## All Saints Church News

The Electoral Roll has to be renewed between the 29th March and the 12th April. Please can you make sure you are on the Electoral Roll before this date, especially if you wish to vote at the APCM (26th April). Please return forms to Debbie McEntee by the 12th April, after which no new names can be added to the Electoral Roll. Debbie McEntee's number is 07763323475.

## Holy Trinity News



Please pray for Ashley Couldrake and Samantha Boddy-Parkin who will be married at Holy Trinity Church this Saturday

## Prayer Groups

**Westbury Prayer Network.** Telephone requests in confidence to Lynette Weekley (858361).

**WHT Ministry e-prayer Group.** If you would like pray-ers of thanksgiving or help, for yourself or others, please contact Prayer chain co-ordinator Sue Stanley at [suestanley.whtministry@gmail.com](mailto:suestanley.whtministry@gmail.com) or 01373 229618 for details

### Have you looked at our web site

[www.whtministry.org.uk](http://www.whtministry.org.uk)

**There you will find the weekly pew sheet and much more.**

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## WHITE HORSE TEAM MINISTRY

**Notices for the week:**

**8th—14th March 2020**

## Welcome to Worship

There is some provision for children at each of our churches, please feel free to make use of the facilities provided.

8.00am Holy Communion - A/S  
9.30am Holy Communion - A/S  
10.00am Café Church—WJS  
10.00am Holy Communion - H/T  
11.00am Holy Communion - H/S  
6.00pm Evening Prayer—B/W  
7.15pm Silent Prayer—A/S

### Monday:

9.00am Morning Prayer—A/S

### Tuesday:

9.00am Morning Prayer—A/S  
2.30pm Town Prayers— Methodist Church

### Wednesday:

8.30am Morning Prayer—H/T  
9.30am First Steps to Worship—A/S  
10.30am Holy Communion—A/S

### Thursday:

8.30am Morning Prayer—H/S

### Saturday:

2.30pm Wedding—H/T

**NB Change of service.** The 2nd Sunday 6pm Evening Prayer (BCP) will now be held at All Saints, Brokerswood. This replaces the 6pm service at the Methodist Church. It is hoped that the evening congregation will travel to Brokerswood and support the church there. All are welcome, parking is available.

### Worship next Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion - A/S  
8.00am Holy Communion - H/T  
9.30am Holy Communion - A/S  
9.45am Café Church—Mem  
11.00am Holy Communion - H/S  
6.00pm Evening Prayer— A/S  
7.15pm Silent Prayer—A/S

**Key:** A/S - All Saints, Westbury B/W - All Saints, Brokerswood  
H/S - Holy Saviour, Westbury Leigh H/T - Holy Trinity, Dilton Marsh  
WPH - Westbury Parish Hall Mem - Memorial Hall, Dilton Marsh  
M/C - Methodist Church, Westbury URC - United Reformed church,  
WEB - West End Baptist Church WJS—Westbury Junior School  
WLCH—Westbury Leigh Community Hall

# 2nd Sunday of Lent— 8th March 2020

## Collect

Almighty God,  
by the prayer and discipline of Lent  
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's  
sufferings,  
and by following in his Way  
come to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will  
my help come?  
My help comes from the LORD, who made  
heaven and earth.  
He will not let your foot be moved; he who  
keeps you will not slumber.  
He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor  
sleep.  
The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your  
shade at your right hand.  
The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the  
moon by night.  
The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will  
keep your life.  
The LORD will keep your going out and your  
coming in from this time on and forevermore.

## Reading: Genesis 12. 1-4a

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your  
country and your kindred and your father's  
house to the land that I will show you. I will  
make of you a great nation, and I will bless  
you, and make your name great, so that you  
will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless  
you, and the one who curses you I will curse;  
and in you all the families of the earth shall be  
blessed."  
So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and  
Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five  
years old when he departed from Haran.

## Gospel: John 3. 1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a  
leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night  
and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a  
teacher who has come from God; for no one can  
do these signs that you do apart from the pres-  
ence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I  
tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God  
without being born from above." Nicodemus said  
to him, "How can anyone be born after having  
grown old? Can one enter a second time into the  
mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered,  
"Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the king-  
dom of God without being born of water and  
Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and  
what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be  
astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born  
from above.' The wind blows where it chooses,  
and you hear the sound of it, but you do not  
know where it comes from or where it goes. So it  
is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nico-  
demus said to him, "How can these things  
be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of  
Israel, and yet you do not understand these  
things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we  
know and testify to what we have seen; yet you  
do not receive our testimony. If I have told you  
about earthly things and you do not believe, how  
can you believe if I tell you about heavenly  
things? No one has ascended into heaven except  
the one who descended from heaven, the Son of  
Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in  
the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted  
up, that whoever believes in him may have eter-  
nal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his on-  
ly Son, so that everyone who believes in him  
may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the  
world to condemn the world, but in order that the  
world might be saved through him.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK VICES AND VIRTUES

### OUR COSTLY CALLING

Last week we thought about trust in God, and  
how in so doing we can beat back temptation  
and the Devil. This week we'll think about  
Jesus' calling & our own calling to follow him,  
and how it's usually a much more difficult  
path than most would expect.

The Devil offered Jesus an easy life when he  
tempted Him in the desert, but Jesus rebuked  
him – despite knowing full well what lay in  
store for Him, and just how painful it would  
be. This is shown most clearly in Matthew  
26:36-56. Jesus' passion was brutal – violent  
and bloody, with crowds of people including  
former friends viciously mocking Jesus  
en route to His execution.

He warned us it would be tough for us too –  
when He tells us to 'take up your cross and  
follow me' he also seems to command the  
impossible (cf. Matthew 8: 18-22) – to drop  
everything: money, possessions, friends,  
family. We are told to love God above any-  
thing and everything else.

This week take some time to think about your  
life and your journey of faith. Think about all  
the tough times – all those times prayers  
went unanswered, or you felt victimised by  
circumstance (or God), and reflect on how  
these events have shaped you as a Christian.

Read and reflect on Proverbs 3:5-6, 1 Peter 4,  
and Psalm 34 17-22

**All readings are taken from NRSV  
Readings for next week**

**Psalm 95**

**Reading: Exodus 17. 1-7**

**Gospel: John 4. 5-42**