

Please remember in your prayers

Pray for those who are not well at this time and pray for the souls of the recently departed, may they rest in peace.



New Church Electoral Roll

Please post your completed forms in the gold box or in the Church letter box. Mike

Bishop of Lichfield's Lent Appeal

This year's Lent Appeal is for

Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Please collect a leaflet about it and a donation envelope. The envelopes can be put in our weekly collections (they will be kept separate!) or donated at the Adoration of the Cross at our Good Friday Liturgy.



Fair-Trade Fortnight

25th Feb to 10th March

This year the emphasis is on **CHOCOLATE**. I will have a few items on sale in Church today. Rosemary

'The Bible Course'

Father Simon is leading sessions about the Bible. These will be held in the Church Hall at 2pm on Monday afternoons. Books are available to buy (£5) or loan. Sessions are on March 18th & 25th; April 13th & 20th; June 3rd

ADCM 2019

The Annual District Church Meeting will be held in Holy Cross Church immediately after the 7pm Said Eucharist on Tuesday 26th March. The Holy Cross Report for 2018 and application forms for the following positions are at the back of church: -

District Warden, and representatives for: - **DCC, Deanery Synod, PCC**

APCM 2019

The Annual Parish Church Meeting (Parish of Tettenhall Regis) will be held at 6.30pm on Sunday 7th April at Holy Cross Church.

Easter Monday Fair

Easter Day is **six** weeks away and, as usual, we will be having our traditional Easter Monday Fair.

If you can help with a stall, please see Jo Cadwallader.



The Church of England

Holy Cross Church

The church at the heart of our community

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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Sunday 10th March

Lent 1

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Alan Roberts)

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **145** Forty days and forty nights

Gradual: **203** Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Offertory: **204** He is Lord

Communion: **111** Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you

463 Sweet sacrament divine

Recessional: **372** O Jesus, I have promised (Tune 2: Wolvercote)

This Week

Mon	11	
Tues	12	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	13	6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	14	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	15	2pm Ladies Circle - AGM (with cheese & wine!)
Sat	16	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	17	9am Eucharist 10.45am Sung Eucharist

First Sunday of Lent

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 forever.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26.1–11

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 10.8b–13

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What does scripture say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who

calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Luke 4.1–13

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."' Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you," and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

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.

Sunday 10th March 10.45am

Welcomers: Victor, Gary

Reader: Mark

Prayers: Andrea

Offertory: Gill, Mary, Victor

Assist: Janet, Mark

Pebble Pool: Janet

Sunday 17th March 9am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Janet

Sunday 17th March 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean H, Malcolm

Reader: Jo

Prayers: Mark

Offertory: Grace, June, Rebecca

Assist: Rebecca, Mike

Pebble Pool: Mike