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St Anne's Church, Chingford

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25th February 2024 – Lent 2 Parish Eucharist 10.00

Welcomers: Marcia Hall, Rosalind Tatam

Servers: Lindsey Archer, Phil Hallsworth, Melissa Narusoke

Chalice: Heather Gwynn, Anthony Sullivan

Lessons: Ron Abraham

Prayers: Rosalind Tatam

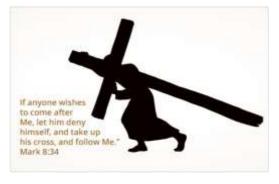
Leader: Julie Adesina

Preacher: Julie Adesina

Celebrant: Jude Bullock Music:

Hymns:

- 627 Praise to the Holiest
- 189 Follow me
- 413 Just as I am
- 364 It is a thing most wonderful
- 777 To God be the glory





This week	Today		12.30 Simple Lunch
	Wednesday	28th Feb	11.30 Bible Study Group
			20.00 Lent Course (By Zoom)
	Thursday	29th Feb	14.00 Café Church
			20.00 Environmental Committee
	Friday	1st Mar	10.00 Eucharist
	Saturday	2nd Mar	10.00 Table Top Sale
			14.00 Litter Pick
	Sunday	3rd Mar	10.00 Parish Eucharist

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty God,

- you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
- keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
- and inwardly in our souls;
- that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body,
- and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 17.1-7,15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

¹⁵God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.' This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

¹³The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but

Romans 4.13-25

also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations'). Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations,' according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' ²³Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him,' were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Mark 8.31-38

When the Gospel is announced the reader says Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. All Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme



please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.

Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

Litter Pick Our next parish litter pick will be at 2pm on Saturday 2nd March. Please join us if you can. This is one of the ways we as a church can improve our parish. More hands, more litter!

Date for the Diary? The provisional date for this year's **African Caribbean Evening** is Saturday 7th September. We want to be sure this works for as many people as possible, so please let the P&E Committee know of any problems.

Valentine Singers: St. John Passion at The Drive Methodist Church; tickets available from Lindsey £16 (£9 students/benefit holders. Free for under 16's) or £18 on the door.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for February: 2nd George Radford, 3rd Emily Brewis, 5th Gladys Travis, 6th Walter Rolfe, 17th Ted Bulled, 20th William Sherman, 21st Gordon Wilkinson, 22nd Beryl Lovitt, 23rd Arthur Runeckles, Victor Foster, 24th Dorothy Potter, Albert Gates, 25th Maureen Cope, Sheila Treadwell26th Gladys Gloyn, Kenneth Gwynn, 27th Lillian Bates. 28th Teresa Carroll.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen