

All Saints' Church, Darton

Weekly Sheet – 18th February 2024

The First Sunday of Lent



Services this week

<i>Sunday</i>	Parish Eucharist	(Staincross)	9.00 a.m.
	Parish Mass	(Darton & Zoom)	10.30 a.m.
<i>Monday</i>			
<i>Tuesday</i>	Morning Prayer	(Zoom)	9.00 a.m.
	BCP Communion	(Darton)	7.00 p.m.
<i>Wednesday</i>	Morning Prayer	(Staincross)	9.00 a.m.
	Eucharist	(Staincross & Zoom)	10.30 a.m.
<i>Thursday</i>	Morning Prayer	(Darton)	9.00 a.m.
	Mass	(Darton)	9.30 a.m.
<i>Friday</i>	Morning Prayer	(Zoom)	9.00 a.m.
	Café Mass	(Darton Hall)	10.30 a.m.
	Compline	(Darton)	8.30 p.m.
<i>Saturday</i>	Morning Prayer	(Zoom)	9.00 a.m.
	Compline	(Staincross)	8.30 p.m.
<i>Next Sunday</i>	Parish Eucharist	(Staincross)	9.00 a.m.
	Parish Mass	(Darton & Zoom)	10.30 a.m.
	Reflection	(Staincross)	5.30 p.m.

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Please take this notice sheet home with you and use it during the week.

Notices

Bishop Tony will be leading a series of **Lent talks** again this year in All Saints' Darton on Thursday evenings through Lent. The course is entitled "Living the Gospel in Specialist Ministries" and will involve speakers from different ministries and places in society. The course will begin on Thursday 22nd February at 7.00 p.m.

This year's **World Day of Prayer** is Friday 1st March, and there will be a service to which all churches are invited, in St John's, Staincross, at 2.00 p.m. Please do come and join the world in prayer at this time.

Prayer requests

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers

Gina & Mike Rae, Derek Smithson, Mark Younger, Margaret Waterhouse, Vanessa Hinds, Gavin Joynt, Fr David Nicholson, Steve & Jane Haigh, Louise, Jenny Homer, William Carr, Pat Farrall, Glenda Rae & family, Tomasz Kaias, Joyce Fearn, The Holmes Family, Peter Carroll, Anthony O'Neill, Steve Poulton, Julia Armitage, Joanne Copley-Nixon, Mirek Triber, Patricia & family, David Carr, Jenny Coxon, Eve Ranson

Please pray for those who have died recently

Anthony Brown, Patricia Margison, Mabel Holliday, Rod Lee, Betty Younger

Processional Hymn

Forty days and forty nights, You were fasting in the wild;
forty days and forty nights tempted still, yet unbeguiled.

Sunbeams scorching all the day, chilly dew-drops nightly shed,
prowling beasts about Your way, stones Your pillow, earth Your bed.

Let us Your endurance share, and from earthly greed abstain,
with You vigilant in prayer, with You strong to suffer pain?

Then if evil on us press, flesh or spirit to assail,
Victor in the wilderness, help us not to swerve or fail!

So shall peace divine be ours: holy gladness pure and true;
come to us, angelic powers, such as ministered to You.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, ever constant by Your side,
that with You we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

Words: George Smyttan

Tune: Heinlein

Collect of the Day

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.

First Reading
I Peter 3: 18-22

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, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 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. 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, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Gradual Psalm
Psalm 25: 1-9

I Lift my soul to God,
my trust is in His name:
let not my foes that seek my blood
still triumph in my shame.

Sin, and the powers of hell,
persuade me to despair:
Lord, make me know thy cov'nant well,
that I may 'scape the snare.

From the first dawning light
till the dark ev'ning rise,
for thy salvation, Lord, I wait
with ever-longing eyes.

Remember all Thy grace,
and lead me in Thy truth;
forgive the sins of riper days,
and follies of my youth.

PLEASE STAND AS THE GOSPEL BOOK IS TAKEN TO THE LECTERN

The Lord is just and kind,
the meek shall learn His ways,
and every humble sinner find
the methods of His grace.

For His own goodness' sake
He saves my soul from shame:
He pardons, though my guilt be great,
through my Redeemer's name.

Translation: Isaac Watts

Tune: Carlisle

Gospel Reading **Mark 1: 9-15**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 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. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

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

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

Offertory Hymn

When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John,
He did not come for pardon, but as his Father's Son.
He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins,
to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.

He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss,
for us and our salvation to die upon the cross.
So when the Dove descended on him, the Son of Man,
the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make,
this very day invade us, and every bondage break.
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most:
to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

Words: Fred Pratt Green
Tune: Offertorium

Communion Hymns

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

Words: James Edmeston
Tune: Mannheim

O for a closer walk with God,
a calm and heavenly frame,
a light to shine upon the road
that leads me to the Lamb.

What peaceful hours I once enjoyed,
how sweet their memory still!
But they have left an aching void
the world can never fill.

Return, O holy Dove, return,
sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made Thee mourn,
and drove Thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known,
whate'er that idol be,
help me to tear it from Thy throne
and worship only Thee.

So shall my walk be close with God,
calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road
that leads me to the Lamb.

*Words: William Cowper
Tune: Stracathro*

Post-Communion Prayer

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.

Recessional Hymn

Be Thou my guardian and my guide,
and hear me when I call;
let not my slippery footsteps slide,
and hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin,
and outward things are strong,
do Thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
and save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray,
and feel that I am frail;
that if the tempter cross my way,
yet he may not prevail.

Words: Isaac Williams
Tune: Abridge