



**WORTHING
CHRIST CHURCH
Grafton Road BN11 1QY**

HYMN, SONG AND SERVICE SHEET

**The Second Sunday before Lent
16th February 2020**

**10.30am Holy Communion
led by The Revd David Renshaw
and Canon Muriel Pargeter**

**6pm BCP Evensong tonight will be
led by The Revd David Renshaw**

***There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday at
10 am for 15 minutes before the service and you are
welcome to join at any time***

TODAY:

**Epistle: Romans 8: 18 - 25 read by John B
Gospel: Matthew 6: 25 - end read by Dorothy F
Intercessions led by John N**

The Organ Voluntary after our service today will be:

Toccata settima dall'8 Tono Bk 2 1604
by Claudio Merulo 1533-1604 Venice and Parma.

SERVICES IN FEBRUARY 2020

- 23rd 10.30am Morning Prayer**
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 26th 12 noon Ash Wednesday**
Holy Communion & distribution of Ashes
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 27th 10.30am BCP Holy Communion**
with The Revd Alex Grubb

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Opening Hymn [427]

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord,
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom,
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned:
pride of status, race or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow brief life's span.

You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness
bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

Worship Songs

*Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together
with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together,
bind us together with love.*

There is only one God.
There is only one King.
There is only one Body.
That is why we sing: *Refrain*

Made for the glory of God,
purchased by his precious Son.
Born with the right to be clean,
for Jesus the victory has won. *Refrain*

You are the family of God.
You are the promise divine.
You are God's chosen desire.
You are the glorious new wine.

*Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together
with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together,
bind us together with love.*

Song 2

When I feel the touch
of your hand upon my life,
it causes me to sing a song
that I love you, Lord.
So from deep within
my spirit singeth unto thee,
you are my King, You are my God,
and I love you, Lord.

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Offertory Hymn [324]

SWEET Sacrament divine,
hid in thine earthly home,
lo, round thy lowly shrine,
with suppliant hearts we come;
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise
in songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,
dear home for every heart
where restless yearnings cease
and sorrows all depart;
there in thine ear all trustfully
we tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,
ark from the ocean's roar,
within thy shelter blest
soon may we reach the shore;
save us, for still the tempest raves,
save, lest we sink beneath the waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
earth's light and jubilee,
in thy far depths doth shine
thy Godhead's majesty;
sweet light, so shine on us, we pray
that earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

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Final Hymn [376]

The last two lines of each verse are repeated

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be,
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies:
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds enquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above
so free, so infinite his grace
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine;
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley 1707-1788: Public Domain



***Please stay for coffee
and a chat after the service!***



All those whom we know that are sick, lonely or troubled, those recently bereaved and church family members and residents in local nursing & care homes whom Muriel and the pastoral team visit.

Please also remember in your prayers all those affected by the recent flooding in this country, as well as abroad, including South America and Australia, many of whom are known to us.



Many thanks to all who come along to support our 'Open Church' days throughout the week, and especially to our fundraising Mission coffee mornings each Wednesday, when we welcome donations for the many missions we support.

Parish Magazine

Please continue to send us items to include – these can be recipes [family recipes, not those taken directly from any published book], clean, funny jokes, items of interest about people or places and poetry, or indeed, anything you think people will enjoy reading. *Janine and Ann P*



Please note!

Canon Muriel's Bible Study Group takes place on every 3rd Tuesday in the month. *For any further details, please see Muriel*



Rainbow Poetry group

We next meet on **20th February 2020 at 2.30pm** in the Organ vestry, when the topic will be 'William Blake'

19th March: Solitude

Bring any poem of your own, if you care to.

Admission Free

Please enquire for similar meetings in Brighton and Shoreham.



Roy's water colour classes continue for those who have signed up on Monday 24th February at 2pm in the Organ Vestry of the church. Any questions, please speak with Roy.

Coffee Ministry!

Christ Church is open all through the week for everyone to pop in for a chat and a coffee. We would really appreciate some more help with this. You wouldn't necessarily have to make coffee or tea, but in most cases, just sitting and chatting in the morning or afternoon would be so helpful. Of course, if you are able to make the odd hot drink, that would be great also!!

We are open every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 10.30am to 12 noon, from 2.30 to 4pm on a Thursday afternoon and from 10.30am to 12 noon every 2nd and 4th Saturday.

Please let Ken or Di know if you can help



LENT LUNCHES



**Saturday, 29th February and
Saturday, 28th March 2020 from 12
noon to 1.30pm, serving a choice of
Soup, Filled Roll and Butter, and
Fruit, followed by Tea or Coffee.**

Suggested donation of £5 for MIND

We look forward to your support!



***There will also be collecting boxes available for
those who wish to contribute to the charity
throughout Lent***

LENT COURSE

David will be leading a Lent Course to be held from **3rd to 31st March on Tuesdays from 11am for an hour in the organ vestry.**



Based on the Apostle Paul's letter to the Colossians, "*A Letter for Lent*" is an easy to follow Bible study course. Hung on a framework of letter writing, the author examines topics such as encouraging each other in our faith, getting to know God better, taking on God's family likeness, and qualities which we should aspire to. *All are welcome, no matter where you are in your journey of faith.*

Keeping in Touch:

Christ Church operates a taxi service for those who find it difficult to get to church on a Sunday or throughout the week. If you would like to use the service, please talk with Joan, Sylvia or Lorraine. **You do not then have to pay the driver. This is not dependent in any way on ability to pay;** this is to help people get to church without worrying. If people feel they would like to contribute towards the cost of the fares, they merely place their donation in a Gift Aid envelope, marked '**Taxi**'.



PASTORAL NEWS:

Pastoral Team

Christ Church has a team of people whose task it is to ensure we keep in contact with all those who are not able to come to church, either because they are housebound or because of some temporary incapacity. They can arrange for Holy Communion to be administered occasionally in their homes. We also ensure they are kept up to date with Church Family news.

The Pastoral team are: Joan P, Lorraine R & Sylvia A.

Welcome Cards:



These cards are in every pew. If you have a spiritual concern that you would like to talk with a member of clergy about,

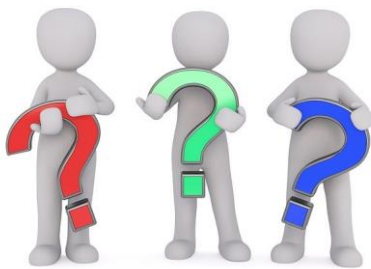
please feel free to complete one and hand to the Vicar, or other member of clergy. This could be a personal matter, or relating to someone else. The member of clergy will then be in contact with you to chat through your concerns. If you can't find someone to hand the card to, place it in an envelope and either post in the office letterbox or hand to the Churchwardens or administrator, addressed to the clergy, and it will be passed directly to them in confidence.

VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR

Christ Church is blessed with many church family members who volunteer to help with numerous tasks within the church, throughout the week and on Sundays. We value everyone who makes a contribution in this way, and so the PCC have appointed a Volunteer Coordinator, Karen, who will be able to advise and help all those who volunteer, or indeed, wish to do so. She can signpost you to appropriate people, or help you to decide what you would like to do to help. Please have a chat with her during the week, or on a Sunday after a service.

Enquirer's Group....

Would you like to explore what faith is, and how it fits into your life? Are you somebody who has been going to church a long time, and would like to re-connect with your faith? Are you a complete 'newbe' to church..... this could be for you! David is planning 10 to 12 sessions that you may find helpful. There is no pressure, no requirement as to where you are in your journey, this is for everyone who would like to come along.



Please would you let David know your name and contact details, and which days and times suit you best. He will then try and accommodate as many as possible.

CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER NET

We support those who ask for our prayers with our '**Prayer Net**'. We are known as the 'Fishermen's church' and so our tool for prayer is a Fishing Net, hung along the front of the choir pew in the chancel on the Pulpit side of Church.



There is a table in the chancel with a card explaining the purpose of the Fishing Net, a bowl containing fish with a hook attached and pens. We invite folk to write any prayer requests on a fish and hang it on the net. Requests should be brief and not give away any information that is confidential so should only include a Christian name and a brief nature of the prayer request.

During our fortnightly Thursday Communion Service, the fish are taken off the net and placed in a basket and presented as part of our intercessions for the Church and God's World. The fish are then destroyed, and we start again in a cycle of prayer and support for those who ask us to pray with them or for them.

This net is there for us all to use, as an aid to praying for the needs of the world, situations, people, and world events. Please remember the prayer requests written on the fish; and those who have written them, and offer them silently to God in prayer.

Could I also encourage those who lead our intercessions on a Sunday to include the Fish in the Fishing Net in our Sunday intercessions?

Thank you, DAVID – Vicar

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

This week! Tuesday 18th February 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm Piano Concert with Ben Solomon

Tuesday 21st April 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
Martin Smith [Euphonium] and Chris Coote [piano]

Tuesday 5th May 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
Yoko Ono Piano recital

Tuesday 2nd June 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
John Rattenbury, Guitar and Ivana, Cello

Tuesday 16th June 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
John Collins Organ recital

Tuesday 22nd September 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
Richard Bowen classical guitar recital

Tuesday 13th October 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm
Rob Campkin [Violin] and James Buckham [piano]



6 pm 1662 BCP Evensong – Service Order

Conducted by The Revd David Renshaw

Hymn 386 *Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart*

Confession etc. (see booklet)

Responses

Psalm 148 (see pointed sheet)

1st Reading: Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 *Reader: Sue C*

Canticle – Magnificat (see pointed sheet)

2nd Reading: Revelation Chapter 4 *Reader: John B*

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis (see pointed sheet)

Creed, Responses, Collects (see booklet)

Hymn 576 *Spirit of holiness, wisdom and faithfulness*

Prayers led by Elliott A

Hymn 10 *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide*

Sermon

Offertory Hymn 14 *Glory to thee my God this night*

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Please stay for coffee or tea and a chat afterwards