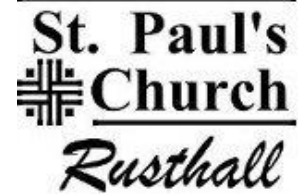


**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018**  
**The Sunday Next Before Lent**



*We wish you a very warm welcome today to St Paul's Church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer, please introduce yourself to the minister or sidesmen.*

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**Collect for the Week**

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness  
and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar**  
The service begins on p 237. The readings begin on page 82.

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Baptisms (CW)**  
President & Preacher: The Vicar

**10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**  
Leader: Tim Cripps, Link: Rosemary Romano  
Hymns: WT 11 All over the world the spirit is moving  
WT 280 Lord the light of your love in shining  
WT 288 Majesty, worship his majesty  
WT 406 The Lord's my Shepherd

Reading: Mark 9.2-9

**4.00 pm Taizé Service at the Church Centre – The Vicar**

**6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)** The Service begins on page 16  
Minister: & Preacher: Tim Cripps

Hymn: NEH 440 (omit verses 4 & 5) Praise to the Lord,  
The Almighty, the King of creation  
Psalm: 61 (BCP page 420)  
1st Reading: 1 Kings 19.1-16 John Palmer  
Magnificat: C  
2nd Reading: Mark 9.9-13 George Palmer  
Nunc Dimittis: C  
Anthem: O Lord, increase our faith - Loosemore  
Hymn: NEH 178 'Tis good Lord, to be here  
Hymn: NEH 495 God is working his purpose out  
Amen 12

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

### **MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup>**

9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Parish Church

### **TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup>** *Shrove Tuesday*

Parish Office closed

### **WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup>** **ASH WEDNESDAY**

9.00 am Morning Prayer (CW) at the Church Centre  
Followed by Bible Reading

10.15 am Vicar's Drop In at the Church Centre

11.00 am Holy Communion to Rusthall Lodge

**8.00 pm Ash Wednesday Service at the Parish Church**

### **THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup>** *Sigfrid, Bishop, Apostle of Sweden, 1045,*

*Thomas Bray, Priest, Founder of the SPCK and the SPG, 1730*

11.45 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar

12.30 pm Rusthall Lunch Club **at Rusthall Club**

### **FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup>**

6.30 pm Junior Choir Practice

7.30 pm Full Choir Practice

2.30 pm Funeral of Kay Cuppage at the Parish Church

### **SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup>** *Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977*

Magazine production at the Parish Office

### **NEXT SUNDAY – 18<sup>th</sup> February**

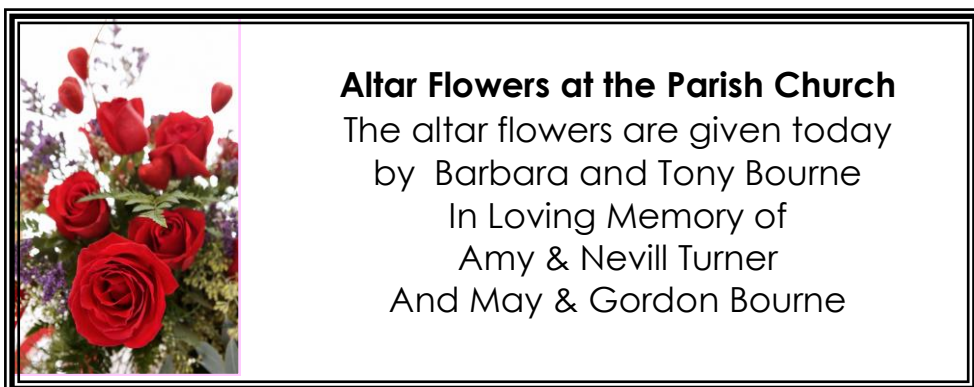
**The First Sunday of Lent**

**8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar**

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW) – The Vicar & Tim Cripps**

**10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**

**6.30 pm Sung Compline with Homily – Daphne Pilcher**



#### **Altar Flowers at the Parish Church**

The altar flowers are given today  
by Barbara and Tony Bourne

In Loving Memory of  
Amy & Nevill Turner

And May & Gordon Bourne

## NEWS and NOTES

### **Magazine Deadline**

Yes today is the day! If you have an article or item for the March issue of St Paul's News, please forward it to [magazine@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk](mailto:magazine@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk) by close of play.



### **Women's World Day of Prayer**

This year the special service will be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at the Church Centre. Beginning at 2 pm the service is from the Women in Suriname and is entitled ""All God's creation is very good". Please do come and join us, men are welcome too!

### **Short Story Competition – up to 500 Words**

Rusthall Community and Youth Project invite children in Rusthall or who attend Church or school to enter this year's competition. There are 5 categories: 7-9 years , 10-11 years, plus the 3 special entry groups 7-10, 11-12 and 13-15 years (for those who need someone to write for them). Closing date is 29<sup>th</sup> March and there are book tokens and books to be won. Entry forms are at the back of both Churches. For further information please contact Mike Bassett on 543544 or [mikebassett@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:mikebassett@blueyonder.co.uk)

### **Toddlers & Carers Group at the Church Centre**

We would like to welcome all carers and pre-school children to our group which runs at the Church Centre every Monday, (except Bank Holidays). Beginning at 9 am and running until 11.30 am we have games, toys, singing and lots of space to run around plus bacon rolls coffee and a chat for the adults. Please contact Annie Softley on 548366 or 07730771818.

### **Lent Groups from Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

Ronnie will be leading a series of Lent Groups this year. They will be held at the Church Centre on Tuesday mornings beginning at 10 am and finishing at 11.30 am. There will also be an evening session on Fridays at 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm, also at the Church Centre. The book that will be used is entitled "At The Cross" by Abby Guinness, which costs £4.99. The course reflects on the crucifixion of Jesus in a new way, considering the perspective of those who witnessed it themselves.

### **Taizé Service Today**

This afternoon Ronnie will be leading our monthly Taizé Service at the Church Centre. The service begins at 4 pm and lasts for half an hour.

## **Foundation Governor for St Paul's School**

A foundation governor is needed for Rusthall St Paul's School. We would ideally like someone with finance or similar skills but anyone is free to apply. For further information please contact: Jean Kerr [Jeak4000@gmail.com](mailto:Jeak4000@gmail.com), 01892 524326, 07905758799. Jean would be very happy to meet and discuss the role if anyone is interested but unsure of what the role involves.

## **Fegans – Counselling Children, Supporting Parents**

You may recall that we sold Christmas cards for Fegans back in December. They have written to thank us for supporting them, our tin raised £107.45. Their work brings hope to over 300 children each week, through vital counselling support. If you would like to learn more about Fegans, you can visit their website - [www.fegans.org.uk](http://www.fegans.org.uk)

## **Pew Leaflet**

If you have items for the Pew Leaflet, please send them to the Parish Office by Tuesday - [office@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk](mailto:office@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk)

## **Penshurst Choral Society**

The next concert is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February at Holme wood House School, beginning at 7.30 pm The programme will include the Choral Fantasia by Beethoven, which Jong-Gyuag Park will be playing the solo piano section and the Mass in D by Dvorak. Tickets are £15, £7.50 for under 18s.

## **Tunbridge Wells Half Marathon**

The race will take place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February. You might care to leave for Church a bit earlier than usual, as the roads will be closed from 9.45 am and come for coffee afterwards, as the roads re-open from 11.30 am.

## **Fair Trade**

Next week (18th) there will be a Fairtrade stall in the Lodge. Do pop over and see Barbara after the service and purchase some of the goods on display.

## **Can You Help?**

A Syrian family, new to Rusthall, are in need of a patio table and chairs. If you have these items to spare, or tucked away, please could you contact Pat Stevens on 529187. Thank you.

### **CONTACTS**

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**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10 am-1 pm (closed Tuesdays)**

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